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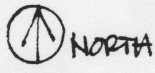
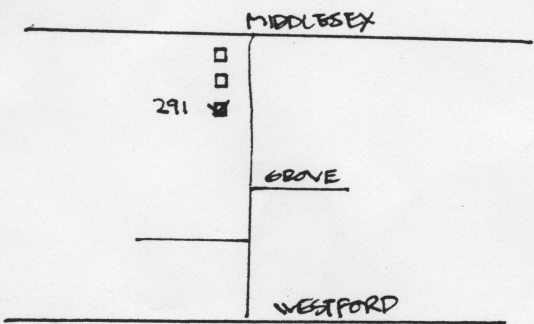
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Lowell
291 Wilder Street
Original Name Charles W. Wilder House
Original residence
Present residence
Ownership: Private individual
Private organization
Public
Original owner Charles W. Wilder

Construction: ca. 1870
Source map research
Style French Second Empire
Architect _____
Exterior wall fabric clapboard
Outbuildings handsome clapboard-covered barn;
mansard roof has central cupola
quoins at corners still intact
Major alterations (with dates) _____

Moved _____ Date _____
Approx. acreage _____
Setting Urban Residential

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

One of the outstanding residences of Wilder Street, the Charles Wilder House appears to be one of the earliest, built between 1874 and 1879. Of particular significance is the tall mansard tower, capped with cresting and small round-arched windows. Some of the original landscape design is still evident, in the form of a well-planted curvilinear entrance drive.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

Charles W. Wilder (? - 1879) was a partner in Hunt and Wilder, provision dealers, and possibly the son of Charles H. Wilder, a local farmer who subdivided the area in the 1870s.

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Outbuildings

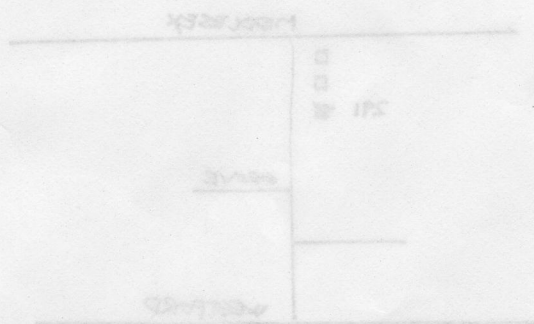
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BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

- 1874 map Middlesex Co. (Hopkins)
- 1879 map
- 1896 map
- 1880 directory

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