

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO.
QUAD
SERIES
NEG. NO.

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IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME(S):
- 2. COUNTY: Steuben TOWN/CITY: Corning VILLAGE;
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 74 East Fourth St.
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public [] b. private [x]
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Takeo and Nasako Takemasa ADDRESS: 74 East Fourth St.
- 6. USE: Original: Single family residence Present: Single family residence
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road Yes[x] No []
Interior accessible: Yes [] No [x] Explain: Private Residence

DESCRIPTION

- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard[] b. stone[] c. brick[] d. board & batten[]
e. cobblestone[] f. shingles[] g. stucco[] other: vinyl siding
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints[]
b. wood frame with light members[x]
c. masonry load bearing walls[]
d. metal (explain)
e. other
- 10. CONDITION: a. excellent[] b. good[x] c. fair[] d. deteriorated[]
- 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site[x] b. moved[] if so, when?
c. list major alterations and dates (if known):
See Continuation Sheet
- 12. PHOTO:
- 13. MAP:

14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known b. zoning[] c. roads[]
d. developers[] e. deterioration[]
f. other:
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY: a. barn[] b. carriage house[] c. garage[]
d. privy[] e. shed[] f. greenhouse[]
g. shop[] h. gardens[]
i. landscape features: See Continuation Sheet
j. other:
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING: (Check more than one if necessary)
a. open land[] b. woodland[]
c. scattered buildings[]
d. densely built-up[] e. commercial[]
f. industrial[] g. residential
h. other:

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDINGS AND SURROUNDINGS:

See Continuation Sheet

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:
(Including interior features if known):

See Continuation Sheet

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1874

ARCHITECT:

BUILDER:

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

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21. SOURCES:

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22. THEME:

11c. MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND DATES:

This home has significantly been altered since its initial construction. The left bay of the house is an addition. This is indicated by a change in the foundation material (from siltstone to concrete) and a raised roofline in the left bay. There is no date for this alteration. All windows in the house have been replaced. The porch on the rear left bay of the house has recently been reconstructed.

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

This house is situated on the south side of Fourth Street. It is amongst other buildings of the late nineteenth-century. The setback of the house from the street varies slightly in comparison to other homes. Its spacing from neighbors is consistent on both sides.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE:

This house at one time probably appeared as a vernacular cottage. It now has accumulated elements of the Colonial Revival style. The home is side-gabled. Its massing is somewhat awkward. A small bay is connected to the main house in the rear and extends out to the left side. This bay is also side-gabled.

The front door of the home is accentuated with a decorative crown and pediment. Pilasters extend up from the small entry porch to support the crown. The main bay of the home has six identical windows with double-hung sashes and multi pane glazing. There are three windows on each floor. They are spaced unevenly to allow for the front entryway. A porch extends around the north and east side of the rear bay. Though the Sanborn map indicates an original porch here this one is newly constructed. It has turned balusters and porch supports.

Many of the elements on the exterior of the home are modern materials. The siding and shutters are vinyl. The foundation to the original structure is siltstone. Concrete was used for the addition's foundation.

A new garage exists on the south west corner of the lot. It is gabled with one door. The garage is sided in aluminum.

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE

This house is located on the northern half of Lot #5 of Block 52, as laid out in the 1855 Brewer and Canfield map of Corning. This structure is one of the earliest homes constructed on the block (1874).

William H. Dean was taxed for the house and lot in 1874. Mr. Dean was a carpenter. With his proximity to his neighbors, many of whom were involved in building, it is likely that he may have worked for one of them. Despite Mr. Dean being taxed for the property James Woods is listed as the owner in deeds until 1880 when the property was relinquished to Dean.

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21.SOURCES:

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Steuben County Deed Records, Steuben County Clerk's Office, Bath, NY.

Steuben County Tax Records, Steuben County Records Center, Bath, NY.

ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS:

West Facade

East Facade



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