

Harris House  
Castleton, Vermont

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Castleton, Rutland County, Vermont

Owner Mrs. Ethel Mascott Lee  
109 West 49th Street  
New York, New York

Date of Erection About 1800

Architect Unknown

Builder Josiah Harris

Present Condition This house is unoccupied.  
It has been much abused and  
sadly neglected. The fan-  
shaped wood panel in ~~not~~  
gable is just hanging and  
ready to fall. Large ell  
at rear not original. Front  
porch not original. Color of  
house has always been white.

Number of Stories Two

Material of Con-  
struction. Exterior Walls-Wood (Clapboarded);  
Interior Walls - Lath and plaster;  
Roof - Slate (not original)  
Foundation - Slate Stone  
Floors - Soft Wood (wide painted  
boards)  
Frame Construction - Wood.

Other Existing  
Records. We cannot learn of any.

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Descriptive Data

This house is located on the North side of Main Street fronting South in the town of Castleton. After Mr. Harris completed the erection of this house he occupied it himself.

The front door is not original, but it is believed that the original front door is now hung in one of the doorways in the rear of the house, but this could not be verified by anyone so it is nothing certain. Old blinds have solid slats and mold around slat panel. All the sidelight windows in the Entrance Feature are original. The stairway has been moved out, also fireplaces, trim and original hardware. The carved and appliqued wood ornaments are all in place as when erected. The original sash on all windows have been removed and replaced with wider ones to take larger panes of glass.

This building was used for a number of different things, first, it was used as a dwelling and then turned it into undertaking rooms, then they changed it again into a hardware store and then at last was made over into four apartments as it is as present.

This information was kindly given by the owner.

Approved:

*Arthur H. Smith*  
District Officer