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National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Judge John Fine House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 422 State Street not for publication

city, town Ogdensburg vicinity of

state New York code 036 county St. Lawrence code 089

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name James T. Phillips

street & number 422 State Street

city, town Ogdensburg vicinity of state New York

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Lawrence County Clerk's Office

street & number Courthouse

city, town Canton state New York

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title New York Statewide Inventory has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 1983 federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records New York State Division for Historic Preservation  
Agency Building 1, Empire State Plaza

city, town Albany state New York

## 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date <u>NA</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Judge John Fine house is located in the city of Ogdensburg, a community of 13,000 in northern New York State. The city is the commercial center for the region and a major portal on the border between the United States and Canada. Situated at 422 State Street in a mixed residential/commercial neighborhood, the Fine house is opposite the Ogdensburg Post Office (National Register listed, August 16, 1977) and approximately three blocks from the Library Park Historic District (National Register listed, November 4, 1982). The nominated property consists of two contributing buildings, the Fine house and its related early twentieth century garage, on a .4-acre lot.

The building is a two-story, three-bay Greek Revival style residence appended to an earlier one and one-half story rear wing. Both sections of the house are built of local blue limestone laid in a rock-faced ashlar pattern with smooth-dressed stone sills and lintels, topped by gabled roofs; the front, two-story section has a broad entablature with cornice returns. The porch, which runs along the front (west) and south sides of the the building, features Doric posts supporting an entablature with triglyphs. The roof of the porch is embellished with cast-iron cresting. The porch railing is carried on turned vase-shaped balusters (photo #1). The main entrance consists of a pair of single-panel doors of walnut with a transom light, set in a trabeated Doric surround (photo #2). The rear section of the house retains three-over-three and six-over-six double-hung sash windows. A polygonal frame bay window with cresting like that on the front porch serves as an entrance to the rear wing. A third entrance at the rear is sheltered by a simple, full-width, shed-roofed porch.

Inside, the house features a side-hall plan in the main block with three large, interconnected rooms on the south side of the hall. Behind the main stairs, a secondary hall leads to a rear staircase and the rear wing, which contains the original kitchen, a dining room with a large polygonal bay window, a pantry, and a third staircase. On the second floor, two large bedrooms correspond to the front and middle rooms below; there are two rooms at the rear of this section, and a fifth room over the front entrance. The second floor of the rear wing, accessible only from the first floor, contains four corner rooms arranged around the central stair hall (see attached plans 1 and 2).

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The main rooms of the house feature massive Greek Revival style woodwork of unpainted cherry. The main rooms of the main block are separated by sets of double pocket doors. The deeply recessed windows feature panelled pocket shutters, and the front and rear rooms retain simple Doric mantels and hearth surrounds of local gray marble (photo #3). The ceilings in these rooms are decorated with moulded plaster cornices and chandelier medallions. The stairs feature mid-nineteenth century turned balusters and a large vase-shaped turned newel. The hall was remodelled ca. 1910 when a vestibule was created by the insertion of a panelled wall with double doors; at this time, plain battens were applied to the wall under the stairs and a simple brass lantern style hanging electrical fixture was installed (photo #4). In the rear wing, the pantry features a mid-nineteenth century sink of hammered copper. The kitchen retains its early brick fireplace with a segmentally arched lintel, swinging crane, cast-iron oven insert, and wood mantel shelf (photo #5). The original kitchen also features flooring and wainscoting of wide (twelve-inch) planks and a late-nineteenth century ceiling of stamped metal.

While the Fine house is currently in use as multiple residence, there has been little alteration of the floor plan and decorative plaster and woodwork are intact. The apartments are separated by original walls and doors and new partitions in the halls and some second-floor rooms (see plans 1 and 2). At the rear of the property is a simple frame three-bay garage topped by a hipped roof. The garage is sheathed with corrugated sheet metal and has three pairs of plank doors on strap hinges (photo #6).

## 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** ca. 1823-ca.1910 **Builder/Architect** Urias Pearson

**Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)**

The Judge John Fine house is architecturally significant as an intact example of a finely crafted Greek Revival style residence in Ogdensburg constructed of local St. Lawrence County blue limestone. Although limestone buildings are common in rural areas of St. Lawrence County, the Fine house is one of relatively few buildings constructed of this locally popular material left in Ogdensburg and illustrates the application of the local limestone building tradition to the construction of a substantial residence for a prominent local resident. Crafted by local builder Urias Pearson, the building's construction is exceptionally well documented by detailed estimates, bills and receipts which reveal important data about mid-nineteenth century building practices. The house is also historically significant as the home of John Fine (1794-1865), early promoter of St. Lawrence County and prominent politician and jurist. The house was built in stages between ca. 1823 and 1852. Alterations made at the turn of the century and the construction of a three-bay garage in the early twentieth century recall the property's continuing use as a substantial middle-class residence.

The Fine house illustrates the St. Lawrence valley tradition of using indigenous limestone in the construction of a wide variety of buildings. The use of this material was prevalent from the early nineteenth century settlement period to the Civil War period. Modest buildings are typified by rough-cut stone, usually laid in a random ashlar pattern with flat arches composed of rough-cut voussoirs. More ambitious buildings, such as the Fine house, feature a higher level of craftsmanship as seen in the finely dressed coursed ashlar walls with smooth-dressed stone lintels and sills and make a clear stylistic reference to academic sources, most commonly in the Federal or Greek Revival style. Outstanding craftsmanship and quality materials can also be seen in the choice of black walnut for the front entry doors and main stair railing, white oak flooring, and cherry for the woodwork, which includes mantels, door and window surrounds, sets of double pocket doors between the parlors, and panelled pocket shutters. Ceilings in the three parlors of the main block are embellished with cast plaster cornice mouldings and chandelier medallions. The massive floor timbers used in the building measure five by fourteen inches. The Fine house's Greek Revival character is exhibited in the building's massing, boldly moulded entablature with



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cornice returns, single-panel doors, trabeated mantels, and trabeated door and window surrounds. Although the Greek Revival and other Neoclassical styles persisted in the St. Lawrence valley at least through the 1860s and the mid-nineteenth century picturesque architectural styles never became widely popular in the region, the influence of the Italianate style can nonetheless be seen in the Fine house's double-door entry with transom, moulded concave chandelier medallions, semi-octagonal bay window, and vase-shaped turned newel.

John Fine was born in New York City on August 26, 1794. Upon his graduation from Columbia College in 1809, Fine studied law for a year in Litchfield, Connecticut and received a Master of Arts degree from Columbia College in 1812. Fine moved to Ogdensburg in 1815, where he established a legal practice with Louis Hasbrouck. Fine served as St. Lawrence County Treasurer between 1821 and 1833; in 1824, he was appointed first judge of St. Lawrence County, a position to which he was reappointed until 1839. In 1838, Fine was elected to Congress. In 1844, Fine was reappointed first judge of St. Lawrence County, holding the position until the adoption of a new State Constitution in 1847. In 1848 he was elected to the New York State Senate, where he introduced and helped secure passage of legislation which protected the property rights of married women. In addition to his legal and political activities, Fine owned extensive tracts of timberland in the area and was instrumental in promoting the development and settlement of the town of Fine, which was formed March 27, 1849 and named in his honor. In 1850, Hamilton College conferred a Doctor of Laws degree upon Judge Fine.

Fine purchased the land for his house on Euphemia Street (the present State Street) from Palmer Cleveland in 1821 and purchased an adjacent lot in 1823. At this time, he built a small one and one-half story stone residence, the rear wing of the present house. Between 1849 and 1851, the front two-story portion of the house was constructed for Fine by builder Urias Pearson. Surviving records of the house's mid-nineteenth century expansion, dated between 1848 and 1851, include bills for seasoned framing and finishing lumber, lists of hardware and glass to be installed, a measurement of the completed building by R. Thompson, and John Fine's application to the United States Mutual Insurance Company for fire insurance. These documents constitute an exceptional record of mid-nineteenth century construction practices; their

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survival increases our understanding of architectural history during this period as well as enhancing the property's associations with Ogdensburg's nineteenth-century economic and social history.

Following Fine's death in 1865, the house was purchased by Dr. John H. Benton of Oxbow. Dr. Benton was a descendent of Dr. Abner Benton, Oxbow's first physician in 1818 and first postmaster in 1819. (The Dr. Abner Benton house in Oxbow was listed on the National Register August 23, 1984). Dr. Benton was also related to Col. Zebulon Howell Benton, North Country promoter and industrialist and husband of Charlotte Caroline Bonaparte, niece of Napoleon and daughter of Joseph, King of Spain. The Benton family added the Classical Revival style porch and the window bay in the central parlor of the main block of the house in the 1890s and retained ownership until 1939. The intact early twentieth century garage, added during this period, also recalls this later period of the property's history.

The Fine house remains as an outstanding and exceptionally well documented example of the local limestone building tradition and is associated with the life of John Fine, one of the prominent early developers of Ogdensburg and St. Lawrence County.

**This Indenture**, MADE the *First* - - day of *February* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *Twenty one* Between *Palmer Cleveland Esquire of Ogdensburg County of St Lawrence and State of New York* of the first part, and *John Fine of the same place* of the second part, **Witnesseth**, That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of *Six thousand dollars* to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby confessed and acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold, remised, released, aliened, and confirmed, and by these presents, does grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, alien and confirm unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, *All the Undivided Seven South Parts into two equal parts* to be divided of *All that Piece or Parcel of Land with the Buildings thereon situated lying and being in the village of Ogdensburg in the County of St Lawrence and State of New York being Parts of Lots No Six and Seven in Block No Twenty nine which said Block is bounded by Euphemia Green Caroline and Knox Streets Agreeable to the Map of Ogdensburg on Record* And the said piece or parcel of Land is bounded as follows *To wit Beginning at the South Westerly corner of said Lot No Six where Euphemia and Knox Streets intersect thence North Westerly along the line of said Lot and Street Sixty four feet to a Point in said line thence at Right Angles Eastwardly to a Point distant Twelve feet East from the Easterly line of said Lot No Six thence at Right Angles Northerly to a Point in the southerly line of Lot No Four thence along the southerly line of Lots No Four and Five to the North Easterly corner of Lot No Seven thence Southerly along the line between Lots No Seven and Eight to the southerly bounds of Knox Street thence Westerly along the same and southerly line of Lots No Seven and Six to the place of Beginning*

**Together** with all and singular the hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues, and profits thereof; and all the estate, right, title, interest, claim and demand whatsoever, of the said party of the first part, either in law or equity, of, in and to the above bargained premises, with the said hereditaments and appurtenances: **To Have and to Hold** the said *Undivided Seven South Parts of the Lot as above described* to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, to the sole and only proper use, benefit and behoof of the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever. And the said party of the first part, for himself his heirs, executors and administrators, does covenant, grant, bargain and agree, to and with the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, that at the time of the ensealing and delivery of these presents, he is well seized of the premises above conveyed, as of a good, sure, perfect, absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance, in the law in fee simple. And that the above bargained premises, in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against all and every person or persons, lawfully claiming or to claim, the whole or any part thereof, he will forever **Warrant and Defend**.

In Witness Whereof, the party of the first part has hereunto set his Hand and Seal the day and year first above written.

*Palmer Cleveland*

SEALED AND DELIVERED, IN PRESENCE OF

*Edmund Graham*  
*James G. Hopkins*

Judge John Fine House  
Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, NY  
Indenture for lot, 1821

Source: Albany, NY. NYS Div. for Historic Preservation Research Files.



Measurement of Judge James Building By R. Thompson  
August 23 - 1850

	Long			High			Thick			Feet	In	P		Long			High			Thick			Feet	In	P
	Feet	In	Feet	In	Feet	In	Feet	In	Feet					In	Feet	In	Feet	In	Feet	In	Feet	In			
Cellar	55	4	4	0	2	6	553	4	0					Openings & Brick Work											
	55	4	4	0	2	6	553	4	0	1	Fire Place	4	10	12	8	1	0				61	2	8		
	27	0	4	0	2	6	270	0	0	1	do do	4	10	12	8	1	0				61	2	8		
	27	0	4	0	2	6	270	0	0	1	do do	4	10	11	3	1	0				54	4	1		
	54	4	5	0	2	3	611	3	0	1	do do	4	10	11	3	1	0				54	4	6		
	54	4	5	0	2	3	611	3	0		Part chimney														
	27	0	5	0	2	0	270	0	0		Bubble	8	0	4	0	1	0				32	0	0		
	27	0	5	0	2	0	270	0	0		Windows														
	50	4	1	0	2	0	100	8	0		Each	3	9	3	3	2	3				164	6	0		
	50	4	7	0	1	6	528	6	0	8	do do	8	0	4	0	1	8				426	8	0		
	17	0	1	0	2	0	34	0	0	9	do do	7	6	3	8	1	6				371	3	0		
	17	0	7	0	1	6	178	6	0	2	do do	6	1	3	5	1	6				62	4	2		
	17	0	1	0	2	0	34	0	0																
	17	0	7	0	1	6	178	6	0	2	Door Each	6	6	4	0	2	3				117	0	0		
										3	do do	7	0	3	6	1	6				110	3	0		
1 <sup>st</sup> Story	55	4	12	8	1	8	1168	1	9	1	do do	7	0	4	0	1	6				42	0	0		
	55	4	12	8	1	8	1168	1	9	1	do do	7	0	5	6	1	6				57	9	4		
	28	4	12	8	1	8	598	1	9	1	do do	7	8	3	8	1	8				46	10	2		
	28	4	12	8	1	8	598	1	9	1	do do	8	0	4	0	1	8				53	4	0		
											1 do do	8	10	7	6	1	8				110	5	0		
2 <sup>nd</sup> Story	55	4	11	3	1	6	933	9	0																
	55	4	11	3	1	6	933	9	0																
	28	7	11	3	1	6	482	4	7																
	28	7	11	3	1	6	482	4	1																
Bubble	28	0	11	0	1	6	462	0	0																
										11290	1	2											1825	6	8

Total No Cords without any Deduction for ends feet

Total No Cords in the Openings ends feet

Judge John Fine House  
Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, NY  
Measurements of house

Source: Albany, NY. NYS Div. for  
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Files.

Bill of timber & Common lumber for Stone house  
31 Cg 5 1/4 ft 4 in. In first line

Various timbers

Beams 3 Pieces 30 ft long, One 20 : One 35 8 1/2 Cg 10

" 4 " 30 ft long 8 1/2 Cg 9

Wall plates 4 " 28 ft long 7 Cg 8 1/2 \$4.00 for bands

Purlins 2 " 35 " " Two 21 ft 7 Cg 7

The above to be good sawed pine middle in the heart

Warmer straight & square

Sawed timbers

Roof 8 Pieces 8 ft long and 8 Pieces 9 ft long 6 Cg 6

Beams & Posts 12 Pieces 12 ft long 3 Cg 6 40 Pieces 20 ft long 3 Cg 5

Attic joist 20 Pieces 15 ft long 2 Cg 9

Flooring joist 42 Pieces 17 ft long 3 Cg 10 Six 17 ft 4 Cg 10

" 26 " 18 " " 3 " 10 Six 18 " 4 " 10 \$8.00

" 12 " 12 " " 3 " 10 Two 10 " 6 " 10

" 25 " 17 " " 3 " 9 Six 17 " 4 " 9

" 13 " 18 " " 3 " 9 Two 18 " 4 " 9

Lintels 18 " 10 " " 5 " 14

Band timbers 2500 ft lineal <sup>2 1/4</sup> The above may be of good

4000 ft of boards & 4000 ft of dri plank boards  
measure may be of sound hemlock also \$6.00  
6 1/2

Partition studs 60 Pieces 11 ft and 80 Pieces 10 ft long 3 Cg 5

Wall strips 250 Pieces 12 ft long 1 1/4 Cg 3 in

" " 50 " 12 " " 1 1/4 " 5

The above to be pine good common \$8.00

Leath boards 14000 ft good pine 4 6

N. B. Width and thickness of timber to be precisely  
as specified

W. H. Pearson

Judge John Fine House  
Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, NY  
Bill for lumber

Source: Albany, NY. NYS Div. for  
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\$9. per cord measured in the wall all materials for  
half the openings included -

cellar walls 2 1/2 feet - (3 feet below cellar  
Basement 1" Story - 2 feet  
1st story 2 " 20 inches  
2 " 3 " 18 " 3rd story I think \$10. p.

Timber 3 1/2 & 4 cent per running foot  
Boards \$12. per clear  
8. for floor boards  
7. Com.

Shingle - Best quality, \$2.50 per m.

J. J. Hopkins  
building  
mason.

Sept. 1878

Judge John Fine House  
Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, NY  
Bill for lumber.

Source: Albany, NY. NYS Div. for  
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List of window glass for Judge Fine house

Cells	one box	40 panes per box	12 by 15
First story	3 1/2	33	12 - 18
Second story	3	39	11 - 17
Attic	1	48	10 - 15

To be delivered in the Spring

Oliver Pearson

Ogdensburg January 15<sup>th</sup> 1850.

Builder

List of paints for Judge Fine

Of the best quality

White lead pure in oil 800 lbs

Whiting - - - - - 30 lbs

Paris green - - - - - 12 lbs

Oil mixed raw one lb

Spirits of turpentine 4 gal

Varnish copal 5 gal.

To be delivered in the Spring

Ogdensburg January 15<sup>th</sup> 1850

Oliver Pearson

Builder

Judge John Fine House  
Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, NY  
List of glass and paints.

Source: Albany, NY. NYS Div. for  
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List of Hardware for Judge Cairns house

All of best quality.

Best nails	25 lbs of 40p, 25 of 20p, 200 of 12p 400 of 10p 100 of 8p, 200 of 4p, 200 of 3p.	1150
Finishing do	25 lbs of 12p, 25 of 10p, 20 of 8p, 10 of 6p.	50
Beads	2 on 3/4 in, 2 on 1 in, 4 on 1 1/4 in, 4 on 1 1/2 in 2 on 1 3/4 in, 2 on 2 in.	15
Screws	4 grp 3/4 in No 5-6-7-8 5 grp 7/8 in No 8	9
—	6 grp 1 in No 8. one of No 9. one of No 10	3
—	4 grp 1 1/4 in No 12. Two of 11. Two of 10, Two of No 8	10
—	2 grp 1 1/2 in No 11. Two of 1 3/4 No 11, Two of 2. No 11	6
Handrail wire.	1 doz 6 of 4 in 6 of 5 in	
Axle pullies	7 doz 1 1/4 in cast iron	
Sheet Copper	120ft limal 14 of 14 in wide unless some other metal would be preferable.	
Sheet Lead	50ft sup 2 1/2 lbs to the ft	
Glass paper.	2 qualities 2 doz of each.	
Blue	4 lbs.	

Wanted this winter of the above bill, the <sup>axle</sup> pullies & the 40 & 20p nails also one keg of 12. one of 10 & one of 8p. The remainder as soon as they can be forwarded by navigation in the spring.

Amos Pearson  
B. B. Butler

January 15<sup>th</sup> 1850.

Judge John Fine House  
Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, NY  
List of hardware

Source: Albany, NY. NYS Div. for  
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Bill of Searoads finishing lumber

All in boards measure

Clean Pine  
 (210 ft) 10 Pieces 3 by 7 - 12 ft long  
 200 m 2 1/2 inch plank  
 1000 m 2 " " "  
 500 m 1 3/4 " " "  
 1000 m 1 1/2 " " "  
 1500 m 1 1/4 " " "  
 2000 m 1 " Boards  
 300 m 3/4 " " "  
 400 m 5/8 " " "  
 7110

Clean Butternut  
 200 ft 2 1/4 inch plank  
 300 m 2 " " "  
 400 m 1 1/2 " " "  
 300 m 1 1/4 " " "  
 500 m 1 inch boards on hand  
 300 m 3/4 " " "  
 2000

2nd quality Pine  
 (420 ft) 20 Pieces 12 ft long 3 by 7  
 600 m 2 inch Plank  
 1000 m 1 1/2 " " "  
 1000 m 1 1/4 " " "  
 3000 m 1 " Boards  
 6020  
 500 ft of 2 by 4 boards Clean  
 6520

Good Common Pine  
 7000 ft 1 1/4 inch flooring  
 2000 m 1 " boards  
 9000 \$8.00  
 Sept 28th 1849  
 W. Pearson

N.B. - The 40 5 1/2 boards for pannels to be not less than 12 inches wide

Judge John Fine House  
 Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, NY  
 Bill for lumber

Source: Albany, NY. NYS Div. for  
 Historic Preservation Research  
 Files.

Judge John Fine House  
Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, NY  
Receipt for measurement of  
house.


Source: Albany, NY. NYS Div. for  
Historic Preservation Research  
Files.

Rec<sup>d</sup> From Hon<sup>l</sup> John Fine of Michael Leonard  
Two Dollars in full of my charge for measuring  
said Hon John Fine's Stone Building

August 23 - 1850



Robert Thompson





Judge John Fine House  
 Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence County, NY  
 Fire Insurance Application

Source: Albany, NY. NYS Div. for  
 Historic Preservation Research  
 Files.

Application of Hon John Fine  
 of Ogdensburg County of St Lawrence State of New York  
 Insured against LOSS BY FIRE, by the UNITED STATES MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY,  
 for the sum of Two Thousand \$2000 Dollars,  
 for the term of five years so wit: On his


	Estimated value	Insured value	Rate per cent.	Depart-ment.
Dwelling House.	\$5000	\$2000	1 3/4	1 <sup>st</sup>
Household Furniture therein				
Wearing Apparel therein				
Provisions and Grain therein				
Barn and Shed adjoining				
Hay therein				
Grain therein				

Amount of Premium Note \$35  
 Amount of 50 percent \$17.50

Number of Chimneys Three The stove & fireplaces to be seldom used. The house is warmed by a hot air furnace perfectly secure in the basement story.  
 Number of Fireplaces 5  
 Number of Stoves 5  
 Number of Ovens 1  
 Are they all secure? yes The buildings are not quite finished.  
 Where do you keep ashes? at safe distance Applicant hereby agrees to run his own risk from the act of finishing.  
 Is your property encumbered by what, and to what amount? No  
 If it is encumbered, state the whole value of your Real estate  
 Is there any other Insurance on this property? No

Applicant

(The Secretary will number this Note.)

 For Value Received, In Policy No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 dated April 30 1851, issued by the UNITED STATES MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, I promise to pay the said Company the sum of Thirty five Dollars and \_\_\_\_\_ Cents, in such portions, and at such time or times, as the Directors may, agreeably to the Charter and By-Laws require.

RECEIVED of Hon. John Fine for his Insurance, by the United States Mutual Insurance Company, nineteen dollars and \_\_\_\_\_ cents, to be refunded if his Policy be not issued.  
 Dated the thirtieth day of April 1851  
E. B. Manly Agent.

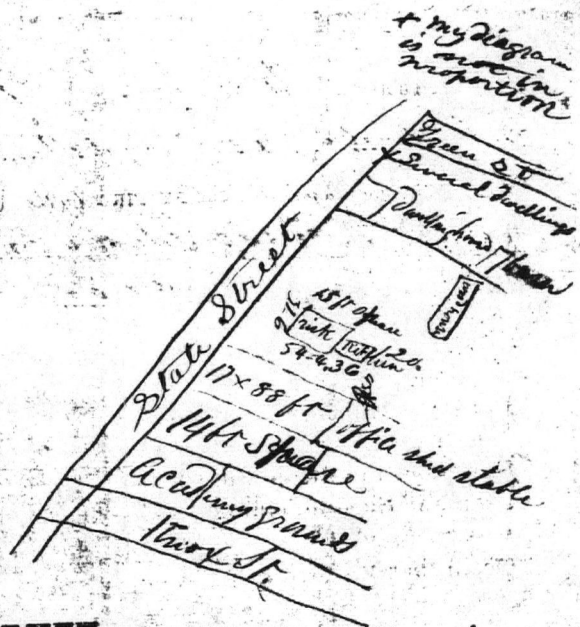


APPLICATION OF

John Fine

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ 185

Directors \_\_\_\_\_



Ogdensburg, N.Y. P.O.

**SURVEY.**

Where situated? State Street Ogdensburg between Green & Kay Sts

Buildings—of what material, and whether new or old, and in what state of repair. Stone, new.

Size and height of house; 54 ft 4 in x 31-6 in 3 1/2 stories including basement. Kitchen 20 x 26 ft 2 1/2 stories including basement

Size of other buildings, and distance from each other; See diagram

Relative situation as to other buildings, distance from each within eight rods, & for what purpose occupied; The wood house off to the east has not yet been built. There is an old house now occupied by applicant about 60 ft from east of a shed adjoining the academy to be removed soon to give place for east of Green St.

Are there any other exposures within 8 rods? A house & barn across the st about 6 to 7 rods

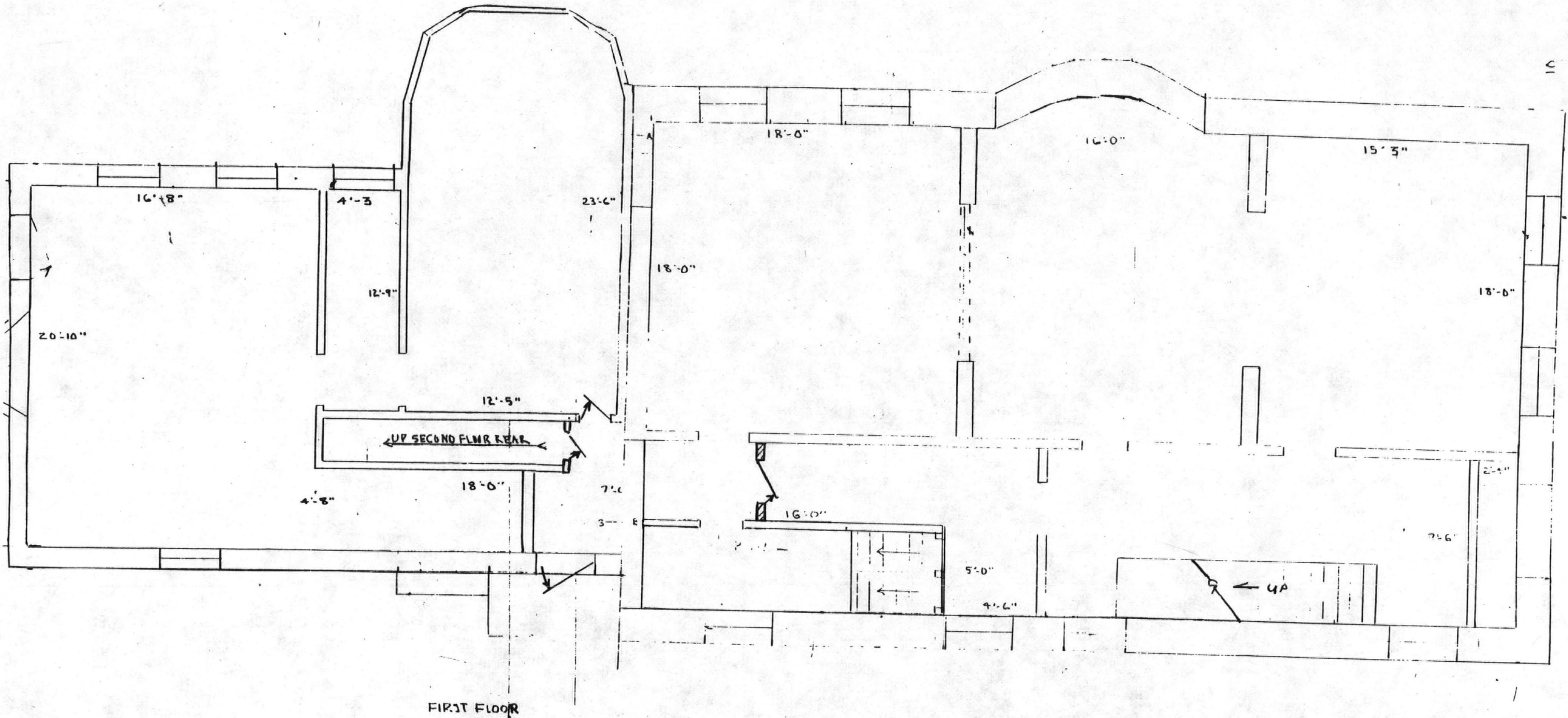
Is any other property insured by this Company, within 8 rods, and what amount?

The house is stone; the shingles on roof laid in mortar & covered with two coats of fire proof paint. The back wing or kitchen is not yet built, but is to be built in the same way. I have examined every part of the house thoroughly & find everything as secure as it can possibly be made. There is almost no risk about it.

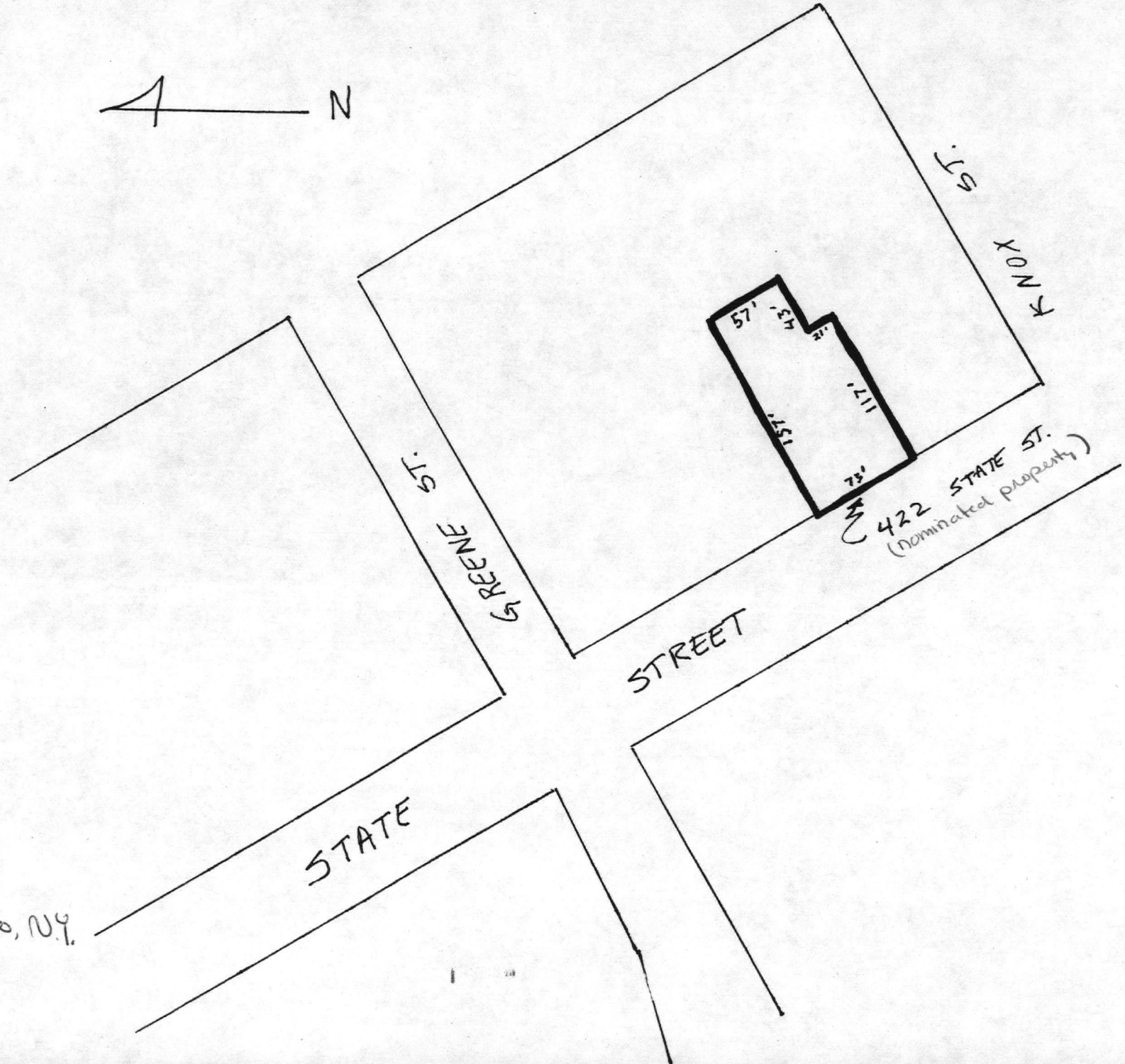
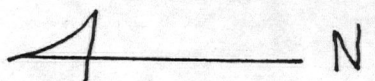
G. B. Mandley Surveyor.

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Source: Albany, NY. NYS Div. for  
Historic Preservation Research  
Files.



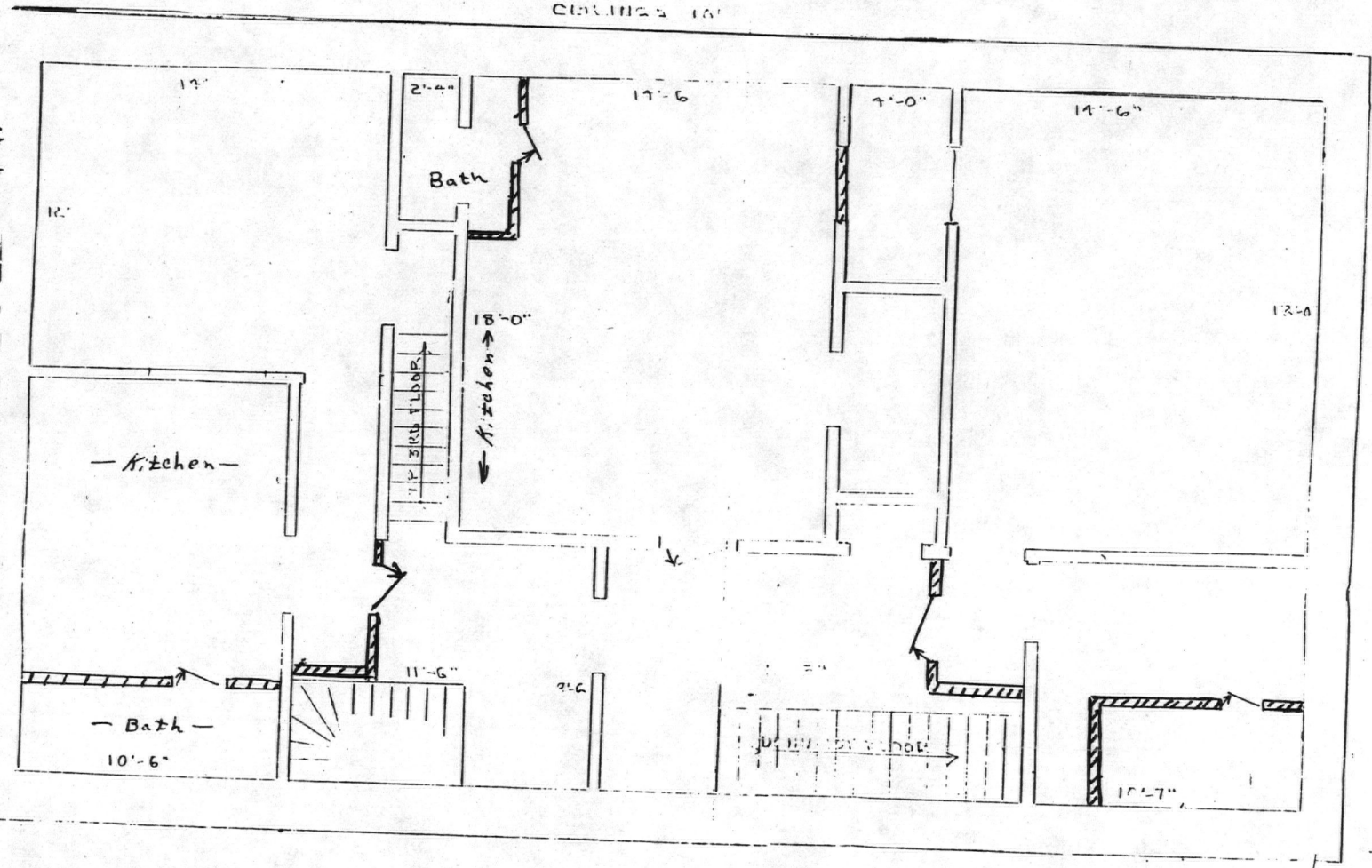
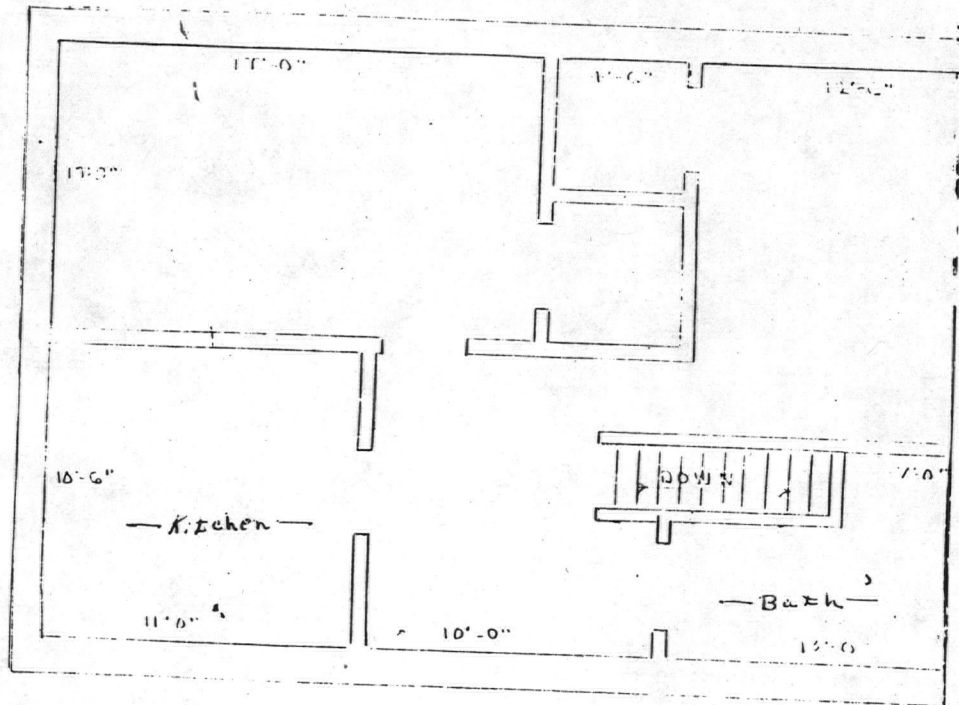
JUDGE JOHN FINE HOUSE  
 Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence Co, NY  
 FIRST FLOOR PLAN



INDEX MAP

City of Ogdensburg, New York  
District No. 401200  
Section # 48.079  
Based on  
Ogdensburg Assessment map

Judge John Fine House  
Ogdensburg, St. Lawrence Co, N.Y.



JUDGE JOHN FINE HOUSE  
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 SECOND FLOOR PLAN

SECOND FLOOR

86000012

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Fine, Judge John, House  
St. Lawrence County  
NEW YORK

Working No. DEC 12 1985

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/3/87

Date Due: 1/9/86 - 1/26/86

Action:  ACCEPT 1-9-86

RETURN

REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

**Entered in the  
National Register**

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
 Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
 \_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. Location \_\_\_\_\_

3. Classification \_\_\_\_\_

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property \_\_\_\_\_

5. Location of Legal Description \_\_\_\_\_

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

<b>Condition:</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

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**8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance *(in one paragraph)*

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



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Preservation  
View: Fine House from West

Photo 1 of 6



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View: Fine House entrance from West

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View: Fine House parlor  
fireplace  
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View: Fine House entrance hall,  
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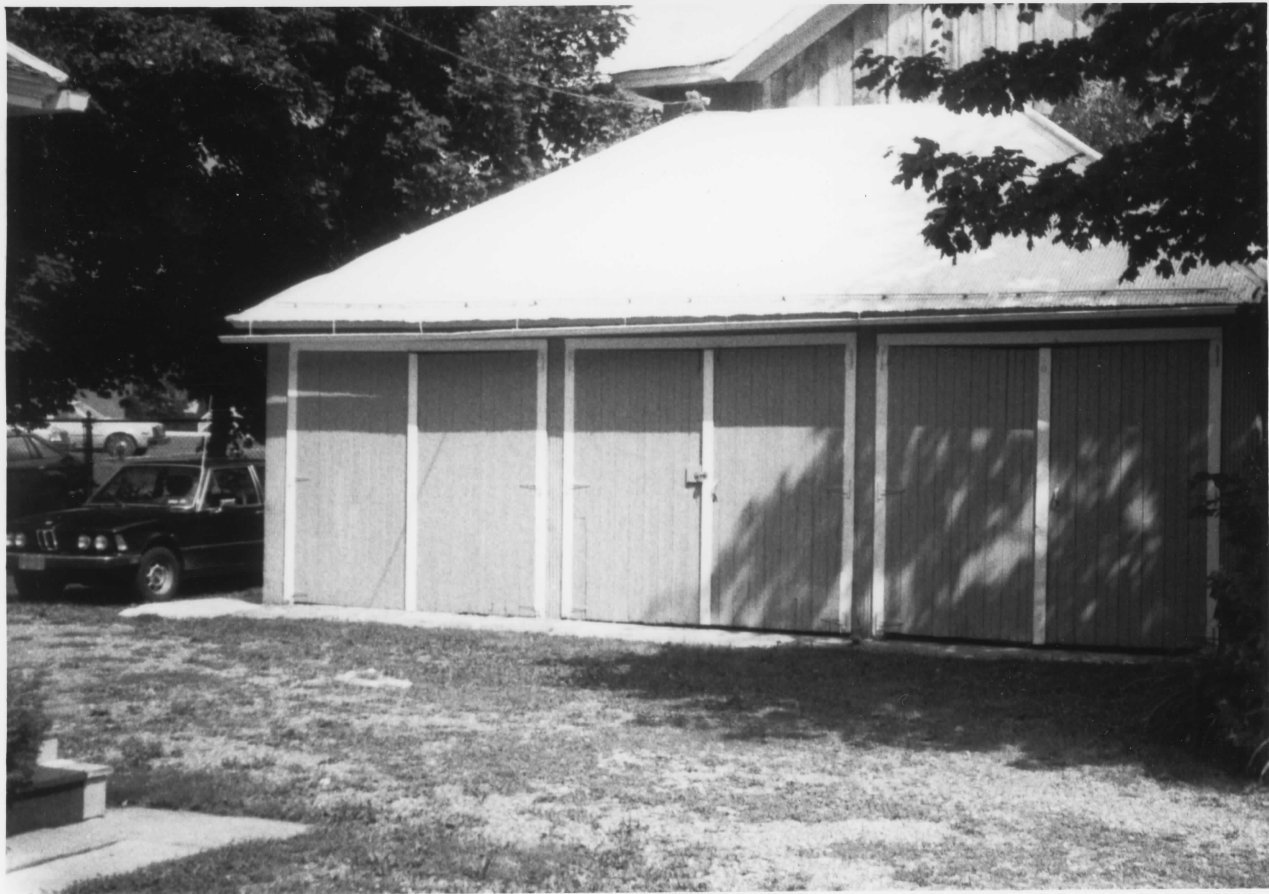
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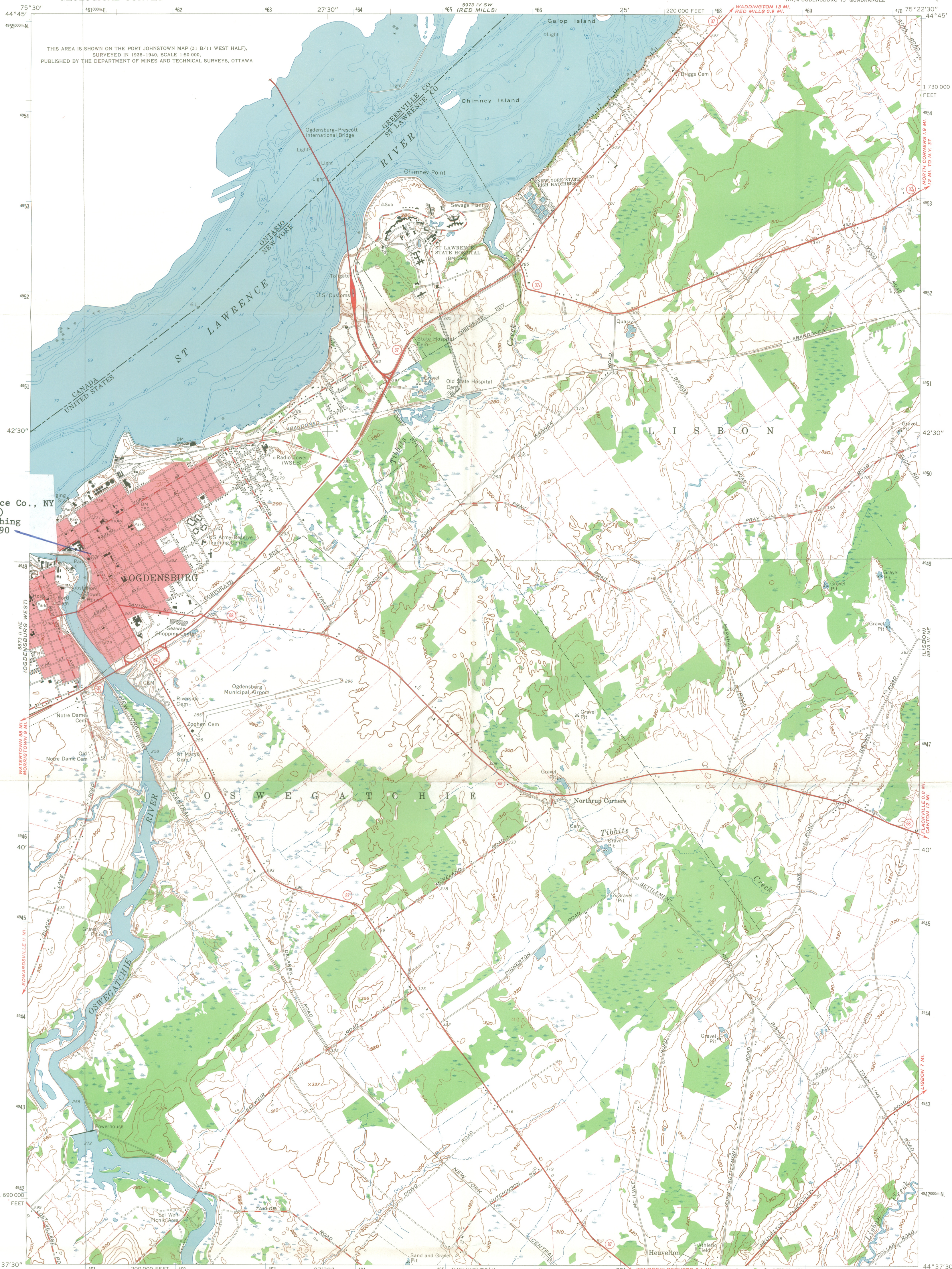
View: Fine House, original  
kitchen fireplace

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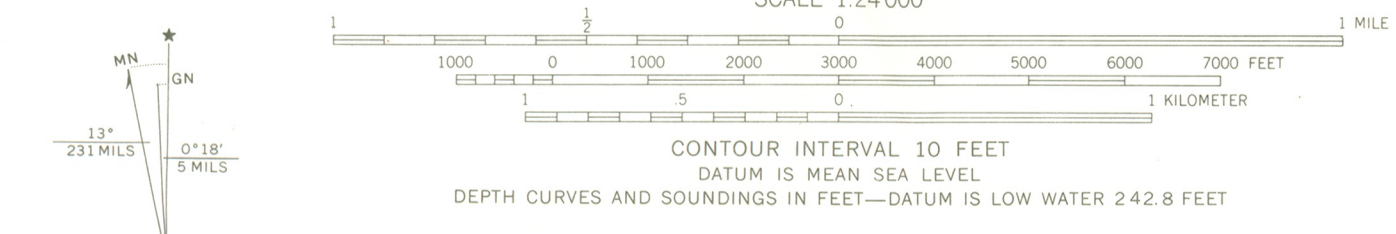
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