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1. Town STURBRIDGE 161  
 Address Main St. corner Brookfield Rd.

Name Fire Station  
 Present use Fire Station

Present owner Town of Sturbridge.

3. Description:  
 Date 1922  
 Source Fire Chief

Style Modern  
 Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Exterior wall fabric Concrete blocks with brick veneer on front  
 Outbuildings (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Other features \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Altered \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

5. Lot size:  
 One acre or less  Over one acre \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate frontage 150 feet  
Half-moon shaped lot. 250 feet deep.  
 Approximate distance of building from street  
15-25 feet.

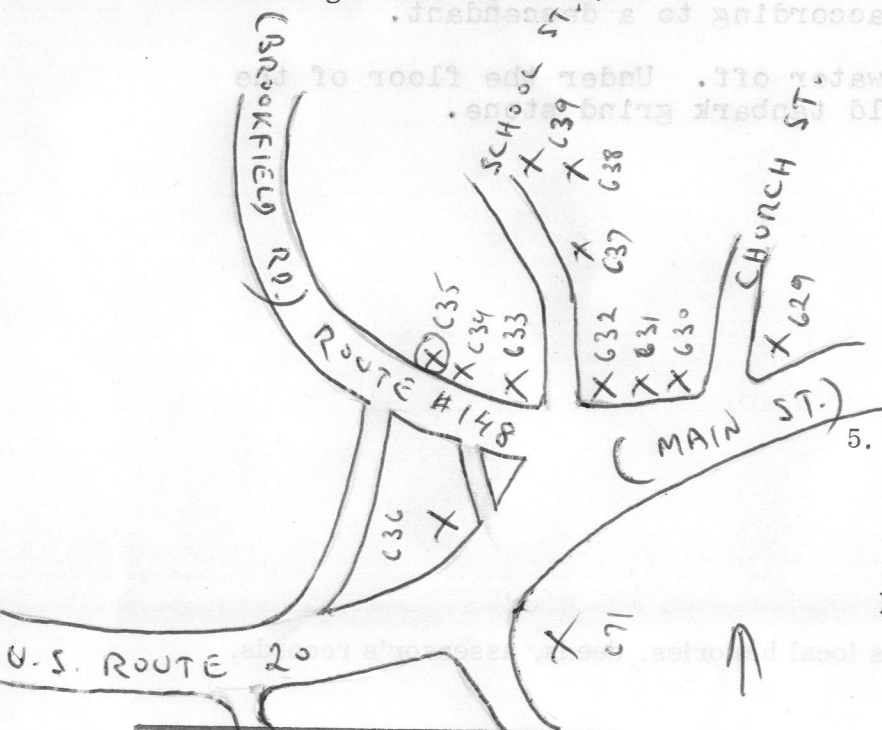
6. Recorded by Helen G. Holley  
 Organization Sturbridge Historical Comm.  
 Date June 1973

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Other buildings. Indicate north.



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7. Original owner (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Original use Tannery.

Subsequent uses (if any) and dates \_\_\_\_\_

8. Themes (check as many as applicable)

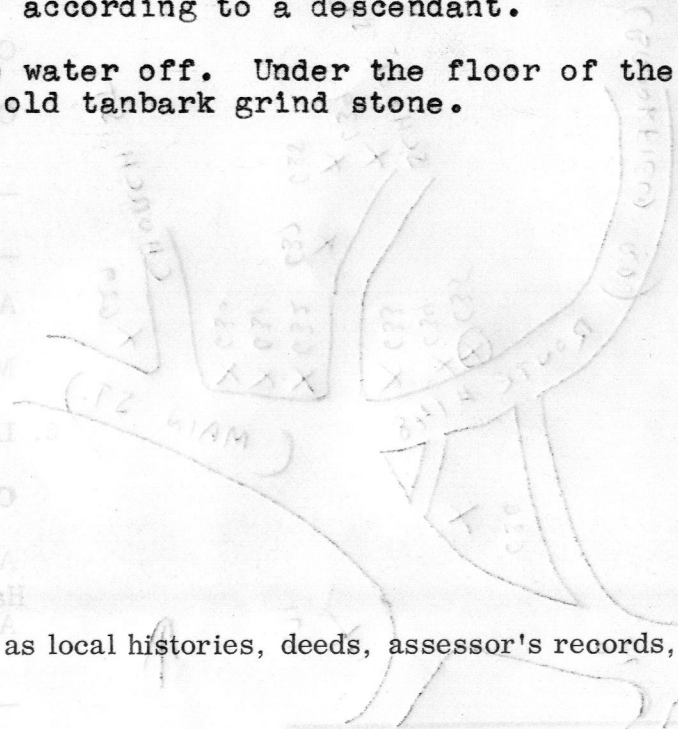
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| Aboriginal            | _____                               | Conservation               | _____ | Recreation              | _____                               |
| Agricultural          | _____                               | Education                  | _____ | Religion                | _____                               |
| Architectural         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Exploration/<br>settlement | _____ | Science/<br>invention   | _____                               |
| The Arts              | _____                               | Industry                   | _____ | Social/<br>humanitarian | _____                               |
| Commerce              | _____                               | Military                   | _____ | Transportation          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Communication         | _____                               | Political                  | _____ |                         |                                     |
| Community development | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                            |       |                         |                                     |

9. Historical significance (include explanation of themes checked above)

On part of this site and in back, a tannery was operated by the Allen family for nearly 100 years.

Drainage water was dammed, a walk around the little pond made, and "an old white, blind horse went round and round" to grind the tanbark, according to a descendant.

A pipe now drains the water off. Under the floor of the station was found an old tanbark grind stone.



10. Bibliography and/or references (such as local histories, deeds, assessor's records, early maps, etc.)

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