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DESCRIPTION

State of Connecticut	
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL CO	MISSION
59 South Prospect Street, Hartford	06106

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY:

Buildings & Structures

SURVEY OF GUILFORD, NEW HAVEN COUNTY, 06437

June-December 1981

1. ADDRESS 51-53 Broad Street (map 39, lot 62-1)

2. NAME (historic)

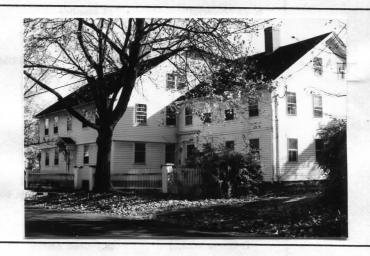
Daniel Hubbard

NAME (common)

3. USE (historic)

USE (present) Multi-family house

4. IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE:



FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Site No

IF NR SPECIFY

Actual

64

Potential

5. ARCHITECT

6. DATE

1717 and later

STYLE Colonial

Town No.

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QUAD:

7. ALTERATIONS Rear of main house extended, roof raised; door hood, date unkown. West section with Greek Revival door added 1812 or possibly earlier.

8. NOTABLE FEATURES One of Guilford's oldest houses as well as one of its largest; the original section is a broad block while the two sections together form an extended and picturesque group. Handsome fence out front relates house to ample lot and ties it all together, 8/12 sash, second-story overhang at pronounced depth.

9. ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL

See Continuation Sheet

Tercentenary Committee; Dorothy Whitfield Society '76; Connecticut Historical Commission '72; David D. Dudley; Federal Writers' Guide; Colonial Dames; Steiner; Atwater, History of the City of New Haven. Photographs: Guilford Keeping Society; Guilford Library.

In all categories below, check more than one box if applicable.

FOR

GUILFORD SURVEY

NAME(S)

Daniel Hubbard

#9. Architectural-Historical

This house was the birthplace of Daniel's son, Bela Hubbard, who was an important figure in the early history of the Epis-copal Church in Guilford and New Haven. He graduated from Yale in 1758, joined the Anglican Church probably soon after, and made the necessary voyage to England for ordination in 1763-64. For the next two or three years he officiated in Guilford as a missionary and in 1767 wrote: "I have the pleasure to find my people constant in their attendance on public worship... They generally adorn their holy profession by a religious life and conversation. They are not able to give me more than £50 per annum, being generally poor." That year he left to become rector of Trinity Church in New Haven, at the same time having in his care the fledgling churches of Branford, Bethany, Fairfield, Farmington, Woodbury, Killingworth, Śaybrook, and several others. It must have been an active life. Hubbard successfully guided his church (with its many Tory sympathizers) through the crisis of the Revolution and held his own post, as many did not. In 1804 he received a D.D. from Yale and died in 1812. He was the stepson of Nathaniel Johnson (see 58 Fair Street) who, with his famous brother Samuel, founded the church in Guilford. He was married to Grace Hill and is reported by his grandson as saying that although he could not subscribe to the doctrine of Calvinism as a whole, he always held (turning toward his wife) to irresistible Grace.

Correction to Sources: Atwater - History of the Colony (not city)

Add to Sources: Elizabeth Mills Brown MS notes.