DENTIFICATION

DESCRIPTION

10. SOURCES Dorothy Whitfield Society '76; Connecticut Historical Commission '67 and '72; Mary Hoadley Griswold, p. 53; Steiner, p. 130 etc; Dana Collection. Photographs: Guilford Keeping Society; Chapman.

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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY: **Buildings & Structures**

SURVEY OF GUILFORD, NEW HAVEN COUNTY, 06437 June-December 1981

72 State Street 1. ADDRESS (map 46, lot 1)

2. NAME Nathan Bradley (also called (historic) Abel Chittenden house) NAME (common)

3. USE (historic) USE Private house (present)

4. IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE:



FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Site No.:

IF NR SPECIE

Potential

Actual

Town No .:

DISTRICT

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5. ARCHITECT

1665 6. DATE

BUILDER Colonial STYLE

The house was considerably altered in the 19th century: 7. ALTERATIONS paneling, doors, sash, some flooring, and chimney removed, and the roof in all probability rebuilt. It has since been restored as accurately as possible, but today it is hard to be sure how much of the 17th century remains.

8. NOTABLE FEATURES Graduated clapboards are an interesting feature of this 17th century "saltbox." A separate foundation indicates that the house was originally built without its leanto at the rear. The roof has been extended to overhang at front and sides, probably in the 19th century,

but its slope is likely to be that of its original 9. ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL construction. Plain window and door frames are early features. Insofar as it still actually retains 17th century materials, it is one of Guilford's oldest houses on an important street Nathan Bradley, age 20, and his brother, Stephen, 16, settled in Guilford about 1658. It is said they came from Bingley, West Riding Yorkshire. Nathan discovered the source of the Hammonasett River -

he died in November 1713. The house was sold 28 May 1667 to John Chittenden, son of William and one of the original settlers. He deeded it to his son Abel in 1712.

SIGNIFICANCE

SOURCES

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