## Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System Scanned Record Cover Page

Inventory No: SWN.30

Historic Name: Eddy - Baker Farm Complex

**Common Name:** 

Address: 235 Locust St

City/Town: Swansea

Village/Neighborhood:

**Local No:** 

Year Constructed: C 1750

Architectural Style(s): Georgian;

**Use(s):** Agricultural; Single Family Dwelling House;

**Significance:** Agriculture; Architecture;

Area(s): SWN.C

Designation(s): Nat'l Register District (02/16/1990); Nat'l Register MRA (02/16/1990);

**Building Materials:** Roof: Asphalt Shingle;

Wall: Wood Shingle; Foundation: Stone, Uncut;

**Demolished** No



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Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).

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TownSWANSEA
Address 235 Locust Street
Historic Name
Eddy / Baker Farm Complex
Use: Present Baker Farmstead
Original Farmstead
DESCRIPTION
Date ca. 1750
SourceVisual analysis
Style Cape
Architect
Exterior Wall FabricShingle
Outbuildings Slaughter house, stables,
another farm house on complex
Major Alterations (with dates)
Unknown
Condition Excellent state of preserv-
ation with sensitive alterations.
Moved No Date
Acreage 300 Acres - a farm complex
Setting Situated on the main road in
Hortonville this farm house is close
to the street with other buildings
scattered in the rear of the lot.
Recorded by Kay Flynn/Kim Valente
OrganizationSwansea Historical
Date May, 1986 Commission

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NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

Typical of the farmsteads of the mid-19th century scattered throughout Swansea. The characteristic features of this Cape are the 1½-story, 5-bay basic massing a practical vernacular building.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

The original owners were the Eddys. The Bakers purchased it in 1835. The Hale farm, across the street, is an original grant from England. Baker now uses farmland that was Hale land. (He has purchased some and leased some.) This is one structure in a complex of the only large farm left in Swansea and has only had two owners since it was established. It is an intact agricultural setting.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

5/14/86 Ken Baker - owner 1895 and 1850 Maps

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