

*Architectural Significance and History of 486 Main Street*

The Stevens House, 486 Main Street, Winsted is architecturally significant in that it is one of the five remaining Queen Anne style examples of architecture in Winchester. As of July 23, 1994, the asbestos siding has been removed to reveal the beautiful wood, including the decorative cedar shingles and clapboard of the original house.

Built in 1891 by local lawyer Samuel Hennes as his residence, it features a typical complex plan of interior architectural interest, massing, and steep gabled roof lines, as evidenced in the multiple wall planes of the facade.

The house has not been "remodeled". The old sepia print, circa 1900, shows the original structure. The photo taken in July 1994, after the removal of the asbestos siding, reveals that the structure, particularly the facade, has remained virtually unchanged for over 100 years.

This is a wood framed building with a cut granite foundation which employs a typical Queen Anne trait of textural variety, including cedar shingles and an exposed central brick chimney. The facade has both a projecting