

Thompson Store  
McHenry County  
Marengo, Illinois

HABS Ill. 143

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*Reduced Copies of Measured Drawings*

PHOTOGRAPHS  
WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA  
District No. Ill.1.

Historic American Buildings Survey  
Earl H. Reed, District Officer  
435 North Michigan Ave., Chicago

THE THOMPSON STORE  
Marengo, Illinois

Owner: Mrs. William H. Curtiss.

Date of Erection: About 1845.

Architect: Emos Daman. (probably)

Builder: Emos Daman.

Present Condition: Good. Front changed to a store front.

Number of Stories: Two.

Materials of Construction: Wood exterior, stone foundation.

Other Existing Records: Photographs.

Additional Data: (See following page).

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SOURCE

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Abstract  
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This property was first acquired by Thomas Hutchinson through a land grant from the United States in 1840.

On April 17th of the same year, the property was acquired by Emos Daman, who was the probable builder of the original portion of the present structure. It was built as a residence, and the date of the building appears to be about 1845.

He continued to use the building until his death in 1860, when the property was inherited by his wife, Elizabeth Daman. She retained possession of the property until November 2, 1867, when it passed to Fayette H. Bennett.

On February 10, 1868, the property was conveyed to Lydia Thompson, whose husband installed the shop front, and used the building as a store and residence.

They continued to use the building until September 26, 1894, when William H. Curtiss acquired the property, His widow is the present owner and with her son, Mr. R.E. Curtis, uses the building as a residence, to this date.

By Richard J. Wall.

Approved Earl H. Reed