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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: Jane Kelley House
3. Street or rural address: 221 Grant Street
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 02-083-13
5. Present Owner: Robert Lee Nelson Address: 211 Grant Street
City Healdsburg Zip 95448 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Queen Anne
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical description* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This 1½ story cottage has open gables sheathed in narrow rustic siding. The front gabled section consists of a slanted bay on the first floor becoming squared off on the second floor. Cut shingles fill in above the gable windows and the lower front window has a decorative glass pattern. The small front porch consists of turned columns with brackets supporting fretwork. Original stairs and balustrade has been replaced.



8. Construction date:
Estimated _____ Factual 1907
9. Architect _____
10. Builder _____
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
Frontage _____ Depth _____
or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
22 Sept., 1982 21/32

13. Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated No longer in existence
14. Alterations: _____
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land Scattered buildings Densely built-up
Residential Industrial Commercial Other: _____
16. Threats to site: None known Private development Zoning Vandalism
Public Works project Other: _____
17. Is the structure: On its original site? Moved? Unknown?
18. Related features: Cement retaining wall in front. Wide redwood planks bolted on side wall.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

This picturesque home was originally owned by Jane Kelley, the widow of Healdsburg's only whaling captain, William H. Kelley. Captain Kelley, born in New York in 1833, embarked on a seaman's career at the age of 16. In 1860 he married Jane Gray, an adventurous woman who sailed with him on two of his longest voyages to the Arctic. Kelley survived the sinking of four of his ships, one of which was named after his wife. After his whaling operations were transferred to San Francisco in 1876, Kelley chose Healdsburg as the healthiest climate for his family. He bought this lot (originally extending from Prince Street to Johnson Street) in 1883. They lived in the now nearly unrecognizable house at 606 Johnson St. Kelley was often involved in local civic affairs and on many occasions gave lectures and "panoramic entertainments" (large oil murals of foreign lands and whaling expeditions) to benefit the improvement of the downtown Plaza. He was almost solely responsible for establishing the powerful Healdsburg Workman's Lodge. Captain Kelley died in 1891.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
 Architecture 1 Arts & Leisure _____
 Economic/Industrial _____ Exploration/Settlement _____
 Government _____ Military _____
 Religion _____ Social/Education 2

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).
 Assrs. 1875-1903
 1900 Census

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