

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Historic name: Field Home
3. Street or rural address: 320 Matheson Street  
City Healdsburg, CA Zip 95448 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 002-231-08-2
5. Present Owner: Hoag, John W. & Carla Address: 320 Matheson Street  
City Healdsburg, CA 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 broad gables filled with cut shingles and double-hung windows. The eaves are closed with sawn brackets at the corners. There is a small rectangular bay set at an angle to corner of the E.W. - N.S. axis of the house. In the opposite corner on the N.E. side is a small porch with turned columns with sawn brackets and a turned balustrade system filling in. The siding is rustic and there are sawn and turned gable braces in the gable ends.



8. Construction date:  
Estimated \_\_\_\_\_ Factual 1880
9. Architect \_\_\_\_\_
10. Builder \_\_\_\_\_
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
Frontage 75 Depth 220.15  
or approx. acreage \_\_\_\_\_
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
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13. Condition: Excellent  Good  Fair  Deteriorated  No longer in existence
14. Alterations: Additions to rear; porch reoriented and rebuilt; iron grillwork removed.
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: Landscaped garden with old large trees

**SIGNIFICANCE**

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

An example of the substantial design changes made to Victorian homes in different eras, this house was originally a plain two-story homestead that served as the town residence of Thomas and Emma Field. Like the home directly west, it underwent substantial embellishment about 1904. The fish scale shingling and ornate gable braces, so popular at that time, are in sharp contrast to the stark structure shown in an 1884 lithograph. The original owners, Thomas and Emma Fields, were farmers who purchased this property in 1865, building this home about 1880. In 1899 G.W. Harmon, a local fruit grower, purchased the property as a location for his nursery. Harmon completed the renovations mentioned above shortly before his death in 1904. In both cases the home was a second residence, a common practice for agriculturalists in outlying areas, allowing their children to attend Healdsburg schools and providing a retirement home.

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 2  
 Government  Military   
 Religion  Social/Education

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).

Town Plat 1865  
 Ass. 1867 thru 1899  
 Trib: 1/3/1895  
 Property Deed

22. Date form prepared August 22, 1983  
 By (name) Langhart Museum (clm)  
 Organization City of Healdsburg  
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