

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT

Strafford Rockingham Regional Council

1 Water Street, Exeter, New Hampshire

Phone: (603) 778-0885

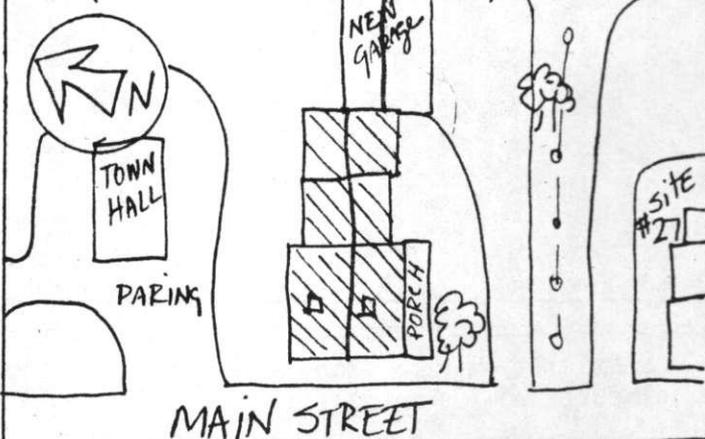
TOWN: Kingston	COUNTY: Rockingham
SURVEY NUMBER: 28*	
COMMON NAME: The Bake House	
HISTORIC NAME: S. Calef House	
LOCATION: E side of Main St., .22 miles N of intersection of Main & Bartlett	
OWNER: Ralph & Virginia Bake	
ADDRESS: 161 Main St., Kingston, NH	
MAP & PARCEL #: U-10/40	
DATE: c. 1830	
SOURCE: Inspection	
STYLE: Greek Revival	

UTM: Z 19 /E 332375 /N 4755450
USGS QUAD: Kingston Quad 7.5' series
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Farmhouse
PRESENT USE: Residential
ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown
CONDITION: Exc. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY: Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/> Ell was not part of house. (When: _____ ) Horace French's wife built ell 1920's.
Major alterations & date: Porch added, wing extended twice (dates unknown)
LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System

- FOUNDATION: Stone  Brick  Concrete  Concrete Block   
*Granite block*
- WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame  Post & Beam  Ballon Frame  Other   
Load Bearing Masonry  Stone  Brick  Concrete Block  Other   
Metal  Iron  Steel  Other
- WALL COVERING: Clapboard  Wood Shingle  Board & Batten  Shiplap  Aluminum   
Novelty  Stucco  Stone  Brick  Sheet Metal  Asphalt Shingles  Vinyl   
Asphalt Sheeting  Composite Board  Other
- ROOF SHEATHING: Wood Shingle  Asphalt Shingle  Standing Seam Tin  Slate   
Pressed Metal  Sheet Metal  Rolled Asphalt  Other
- ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:
- OTHER:  
# of Stories 2 1/2 # of Bays 3x4 Approx. Dimensions 25' x 20'  
Roof Style: Gable  Hip  Gambrel  Flat  Shed  Mansard  Jerkinhead   
Monitor  Sawtooth  Other   
Appendages: Porches 1 Towers  Dormers  Bay Windows  Ells  Chimneys 2 M.B.  
Wings  Cupolas  Sheds  Garage  Other   
Entry Location: Center  Sidehall  Other

MAP (Indicate North in circle):



PHOTO



Description of View: Front-west  
Side-south

Photographer: Scott Novak  
Negative with: S.R.R.C.  
Negative File Number: K-80-2-C/13A-14

**ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:**

The Bake house is actually two houses joined together: one in the Federal style and one in the Greek Revival style. The Greek Revival house is attached to the west gable end of the Federal house, and serves as the present main block. It features gable front orientation to the street, and the entry is sheltered by a shed-roofed screened porch. The 6-panel door is flanked by full-length sidelights, and topped by a transom light. Windows have six-over-six sash, granite lintels, and are framed by shutters. A palladian window in the pedimented gable (west elevation) has a granite arch with a keystone encircling a louvered semi-circular fan. The medium-pitched roof is topped by two tall chimneys with corbeled caps, and the eaves treatment consists of a boxed cornice. The main block rests on a granite block foundation.

The Federal style structure now serves as a 2-story gable roofed wing. It features a large oriel window, clapboard siding, close eaves, and six-over-six windows framed by shutters. Two additions have been made to this wing. One has a brick foundation, and the other has poured concrete.

**RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT:**

**BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION:** 1.9 acres bounded to the N-Town Hall, Kelley, S-Lord, Bakie, Long, E-Depot Road, W-Main Street.

**REFERENCES:** Kingston Historic Advisory Committee; interviews with members, spring 1980  
 1856 Map -- S. Calef  
 1892 Map -- B. F. Rowe

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):**

The S. Calef House is the only brick house on the Plains, and the only brick Greek Revival structure in town. It is notable for its symmetry and detailing. It is an impressive structure which contributes to the architectural mix of the north end of the Plains.

The property originally belonged to John Calef, Sr., John Drinkwater owned the property c. 1922. Until about 1918 there was a store and barabar shop out back.

MAP DATA 1892-B F Rowe

1856: S. Calef

**SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:** Open Land  Woodland  Scattered Bldgs  Moderately Built Up   
 Densely Built Up  Residential  Commercial  Industrial  Agricultural   
 Roadside Strip Development  Other

Recorded By: Scott Novak  
 Herb Eupert

Date: 12/19/79

