

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT
Strafford Rockingham Regional Council
1 Water Street, Exeter, New Hampshire
Phone: (603) 778-0885

TOWN:	Kingston	COUNTY:	Rockingham
SURVEY NUMBER:	62		
COMMON NAME:	The Kerry House		
HISTORIC NAME:	Unknown - The Gayle House		
LOCATION:	SW side Cheney Mill Rd., .29 Mi. E. intersection Long Pond Rd. Cheney Mill Road		
OWNER:	Richard Kerry		
ADDRESS:	Box 572, E. Hampstead, NH 03826		
MAP & PARCEL #:	R23-56		
DATE:	C. 1870		
SOURCE:	Assessor's Office, Kingston		
STYLE:	Vernacular		

UTM:	Z 19 /E /N
USGS QUAD:	Haverhill Quad 15' series
FUNCTIONAL TYPE:	Residential
PRESENT USE:	Residential
ARCHITECT/BUILDER:	Unknown
CONDITION:	Exc. Goody Fair Poor Ruins
INTEGRITY:	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved (When:)
Major alterations & date:	Unknown
LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE:	Nat'l State Local <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System

1. FOUNDATION: Stone ☒ Brick Concrete Concrete Block
2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame Post & Beam Ballon Frame ☒ Other Load Bearing Masonry Stone Brick Concrete Block Other Metal Iron Steel Other Other
3. WALL COVERING: Clapboard ☒ Wood Shingle Board & Batten Shiplap Aluminum Novelty Stucco Stone Brick Sheet Metal Asphalt Shingles Vinyl Asphalt Sheeting Composite Board Other
4. ROOF SHEATHING: Wood Shingle Asphalt Shingle ☒ Standing Seam Tim Slate Pressed Metal Sheet Metal Rolled Asphalt Other
5. ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:
6. OTHER:
of Stories 1 1/2 # of Bays 3X3 Approx. Dimensions 18' X 12'
Roof Style: Gable ☒ Hip Gambrel Flat Shed Mansard Jerkinhead Monitor Sawtooth Other
Appendages: Porches 1 Towers Dormers Bay Windows Ells 2 Chimneys 1 Wings Cupolas Sheds Garage Other Barn
Entry Location: Center Sidehall Other ☒ sidewall

MAP (Indicate North in circle):



CHENEY MILL ROAD

PHOTO



Description of View:

Photographer:
Negative with: S.R.R.C.
Negative File Number: K80-90-2A-3

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The unusual configuration of the Kerry house was achieved by moving two smaller structures together at right angles to each other and then linking them at the gable end.

The ridgeline of the north section runs parallel to the road and is connected to the peak of the gable end of the south section which is approximately 4 ft. higher.

The main entrance is in the gable end of the north section under a hip-roofed porch. All windows have two over two sash.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: A large barn is attached to the corner of the south gable end of the south section of the house. It has wood shingle siding, verticle board doors, and rests on a fieldstone foundation.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: .2 Acres. Bounded to the N. by Cheney Mill Road, and Cheney, S. by Cheney, E. by Cheney Mill Road, and Cheney, W. by Cheney.

REFERENCES:

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

The Gayle House is an odd, but nonetheless interesting vernacular structure which attained its unusual configuration over at least a century.

1892-Mrs OAP George

MAP DATA 1892-EG Judkins

1856-Mrs. Gayle

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 Bubert

Date: 2/27/80

