

# HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT

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<p>TOWN: Kingston      COUNTY: Rockingham</p> <p>SURVEY NUMBER: 147</p> <p>COMMON NAME: The Leet House</p> <p>HISTORIC NAME: B. F. Cram House</p> <p>LOCATION: S. side Marshall Road, .59 mi. E. intersection of Thorne Rd.</p> <p>OWNER: Lorraine Leet (14 Marshall Rd.)</p> <p>ADDRESS: 35 Paradise Rd., Ipswich Mass 01938</p> <p>MAP &amp; PARCEL #: R33-23</p> <p>DATE: C. 1880</p> <p>SOURCE: Assessors Office, Kingston</p> <p>STYLE: Late 19th century Vernacular</p>	<p>UTM: Z 19 /E 331700 /N 4757075</p> <p>USGS QUAD: Haverhill Quad 15' series</p> <p>FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Dwelling</p> <p>PRESENT USE: Residential</p> <p>ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown</p> <p>CONDITION: Exc. <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>INTEGRITY: Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/> On site of earlier structure which burned. (When: )</p> <p>Major alterations &amp; date: Asbestos shingle siding applied date unknown</p> <p>LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
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## GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System

1. FOUNDATION: Stonex ☒ 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 ☐
3. WALL COVERING: Clapboard ☐ Wood Shingle ☐ Board & Batten ☐ Shiplap ☐ Aluminum ☐  
Novelty ☐ Stucco ☐ Stone ☐ Brick ☐ Sheet Metal ☐ Asphalt Shingles ☐ Vinyl ☐  
Asphalt Sheeting ☐ Composite Board ☐ Other ☐ Asbestos shingles ☐
4. ROOF SHEATHING: Wood Shingle ☐ Asphalt Shingle ☒ Standing Seam Tin ☐ Slate ☐  
Pressed Metal ☐ Sheet Metal ☐ Rolled Asphalt ☐ Other ☐
5. ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:
6. OTHER:  
# of Stories 1 1/2 # of Bays 2X4 Approx. Dimensions 22' X 17'  
Roof Style: Gable ☒ Hip ☐ Gambrel ☐ Flat ☐ Shed ☐ Mansard ☐ Jerkinhead ☐  
Monitor ☐ Sawtooth ☐ Other ☐  
Appendages: Porches ☐ Towers ☐ Dormers ☐ Bay Windows ☐ Ells ☐ Chimneys 1  
Wings 2 Cupolas ☐ Sheds ☐ Garage ☐ Other ☐ Barn ☐  
Entry Location: Center ☒ Sidehall ☐ Other ☐

MAP (Indicate North in circle):

MARSHALL ROAD

## PHOTO



## Description of View:

Front (N) Side (E)

Photographer: Herb Bubert

Negative with: S.R.R.C.

Negative File Number: K80-11C-25-25A



#### ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

This house is a 1½ story, gable roofed, late nineteenth century, vernacular structure. The center entry, located on the east elevation, has a 3 panelled door with two lights. All of the windows have two over two sash. The medium-pitch roof is topped by a narrow, corbel-capped chimney and the eaves treatment consists of a boxed cornice with a sloped soffit along the lateral eaves. Asbestos shingle siding has been applied to the exterior walls. The house rests on a stone foundation. A 1 story, gable roofed wing projects to the southeast and is attached to a second 1 story gable roofed wing projecting to the south.

#### RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT:

A separate 2 story barn topped by a cupola is located to the south of the house.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: 2.5 Acres. Bounded to the N. by Marshall Road and the Swansons, S. by the Giffords, E. by Harmon and Gifford, W. by Swanson.

#### REFERENCES:

Kingston Historic Advisory Committee; interviews w/members, Spring 1980  
1856 Map  
1892 Map

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

The B. F. Cram House is historically associated with the Marshall carriage industry. Today, however, it is a simple vernacular residence of no particular architectural significance.

MAP DATA: 1856: Carriage shop  
1892: B. F. Cram

MAP DATA 1892-B F Cram 1856-Carriage Shop

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

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