**TOWN:** Kingston  
**COUNTY:** Rockingham

**SURVEY NUMBER:** 9

**COMMON NAME:** Braley House

**HISTORIC NAME:** J. Tucker House

**LOCATION:** 2.4 miles N of the inter. of Main & W. Main St. on the east side of Main

**OWNER:** Jack & Barbara Braley

**ADDRESS:** 137 Main Street, Kingston, NH

**MAP & PARCEL #:** U-9/45

**DATE:** c. 1850

**SOURCE:** Inspection

**STYLE:** Greek Revival

**UTM:** Z 19 E 332775 /N 474275

**USGS QUAD:** Kingston Quad 7.5' series

**FUNCTIONAL TYPE:** Farmhouse

**PRESENT USE:** Residential

**ARCHITECT/BUILDER:** Unknown

**CONDITION:** Exc. _Good_ Fair _Poor_ Ruins

**INTEGRITY:** Original Site _X_ Moved ___

**Major alterations & date:**

**LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE:** Natl _State_ Local _X_

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System

1. **FOUNDATION:** Stone _X_ Brick _X_ Concrete _X_ Concrete Block

2. **WALL STRUCTURE:** Wood Frame _Post & Beam_ Ballon Frame _X_ Other

   - Load Bearing Masonry _X_ Stone _X_ Brick _X_ Concrete Block _X_ Other
   - Metal _X_ Iron _X_ Steel _X_ Other

   - Other

3. **WALL COVERING:** Clapboard _X_ Wood Shingle _X_ Board & Batten _X_ Shiplap _X_ Aluminum

   - Novelty _X_ Stucco _X_ Stone _X_ Brick _X_ Sheet Metal _X_ Asphalt Shingles _X_ Vinyl

   - Asphalt Sheeting _X_ Composite Board _X_ Other _X_ Asbestos

4. **ROOF SHEATHING:** Wood Shingle _X_ Asphalt Shingle _X_ Standing Seam _X_ Tim _X_ Slate

   - Pressed Metal _X_ Sheet Metal _X_ Rolled Asphalt _X_ Other

5. **ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:**

6. **OTHER:**

   - # of Stories _X_ # of Bays _X_ Approx. Dimensions _X_ 25' x 30' N.R.

   - Roof Style: Gable _X_ Hip _X_ Gambrel _X_ Flat _X_ Shed _X_ Mansard _X_ Jerkinhead

   - Monitor _X_ Sawtooth _X_ Other

   - Appendages: Porches _X_ Towers _X_ Dormers _X_ Bay Windows _X_ Ells _X_ Chimneys _X_

   - Wings _X_ Cupolas _X_ Sheds _X_ Garages _X_ Other

   - Entry Location: Center _X_ Sidehall _X_ Other

### MAP (Indicate North in circle):

[Map Diagram]

### PHOTO

[Photo]

**Description of View:** Front-west

- Side-south

**Photographer:** Scott Novak

**Negative with:** S.R.R.C.

**Negative File Number:** K-79-16/18-18A
ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Braley House is a Late 19th century vernacular house with gable front orientation to the street. The sidehall entry has a five-panel door with one large light, sheltered by a small, flat-roofed open porch supported by turned posts. Windows are two-over-one and two-over-two, and have architrave trim. The medium-pitched roof is topped by a tall chimney with a corbelled cap, and the eaves treatment consists of boxed cornice with gable-end returns.

A 2-story, gable-roofed ell has the same siding, eaves treatment, and window as the main block. Another 1-story, gable-roofed ell has been added to this ell. The main block and both ells rest on brick foundations.

A new, attached barn on a concrete foundation has been converted into apartments.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: Swimming pool on back and 2 separate sheds.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION:

REFERENCES:

Kingston Historic Advisory Committee; interviews with members, spring 1980

1856 Map J. Tucker, 1892 Map J. S. Collins

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

The J. Tucker House is typical of the Greek Revival style popular in Kingston in the first half of the 19th century. Its detailing is similar to Site #10 which was built at approximately the same time.

Historic Associations:

L. W. Collins owned a shoe shop here at one time.

This house was the parsonage for the Congregational Church from c.1948-1958.

Map Data: 1856: J. Tucker
1892: J.S. Collins

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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