**HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT**  
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**TOWN:** Kingston  
**COUNTY:** Rockingham  
**SURVEY NUMBER:** 12*  
**COMMON NAME:** Lil' Red's Tavern  
**HISTORIC NAME:** GARHALL Restaurant & Store  
**LOCATION:** E. side Main Street & intersection of Main & Bartlett  
**OWNER:** Harold & Betty Roberts  
**ADDRESS:** 143 Main St., Kingston, NH  
**MAP & PARCEL #:** U9-42  
**DATE:** c. 1890  
**SOURCE:** Inspection  
**STYLE:** Late 19th Century Vernacular

**UTM:** Z 19/E 332375 /N 4755075  
**USGS QUAD:** Kingston Quad 7.5' series  
**FUNCTIONAL TYPE:** Farmhouse  
**PRESENT USE:** Restaurant/apartments  
**ARCHITECT/BUILDER:** Unknown  
**CONDITION:** Ex. Good Fair Poor Ruins  
**INTEGRITY:** Original Site Moved  
**LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE:** Natl State Local x  

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System**

1. **FOUNDATION:** Stone X Brick _ Concrete _ Concrete Block  
2. **WALL STRUCTURE:** Wood Frame _ Post & Beam _ Balloon Frame X 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  
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: 2  
   - # of Bays: 3 X 1  
   - Approx. Dimensions: 25' X 35'  
   - Roof Style: Gable X Hip _ Gambrel _ Flat _ Shed _ Mansard _ Jerkinhead  
   - Monitor _ Sawtooth _ Other  
   - Appendages: Porches _ Towers _ Dormers _ Bay Windows _ Ells _ Chimneys 2  
   - Wings _ Cupolas _ Sheds _ Garage _ Other  
   - Entry Location: Center _ Sidehall _ Other _ Altered _ Offset

**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: KSO-2C 4A-5
ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:
A 2½ story, late 19th century structure with gable front orientation to the street, this
building has been modified by a large gable-roofed addition to the rear, and the addition
of a 1 ½ story, hip-roofed projection across the gable-end facade.
All windows are two-over-two with shutters, and there are two shed-roofed dormers on the
south side. The house has a medium pitched roof and the eaves treatment includes a boxed
cornice with gable end returns.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: A 1 ½ story gable roofed barn to the rear has a boxed
cornice and gable-end returns, a large offset door, clapboard siding, and a fieldstone
foundation.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: .3 Acres. Bounded to the N. by Bartlett St. E. by
Bake, S. by Ferrier, W. by Main street

REFERENCES:
*Kingston Historic Advisory Committee; interviews with members, spring 1980
1892 Map GAR Hall and Store

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):
Although facade of this late 19th century structure has been compromised by recent
additions, the original proportions of this building are still intact. The GAR Hall
and Store has always been used for commercial purposes. Although there were formerly
other commercial buildings nearby, such as Badger Tavern, it is now the only
commercial survivor in the immediate area.
The Grange used to meet upstairs.
In 1909, Harold French owned the general store. In recent years, the building has
been a bar and restaurant.

Map Data: 1892 Map GAR Hall and Store

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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