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

**SURVEY NUMBER:** 38

**COMMON NAME:** The French House

**HISTORIC NAME:** The D. J. Bakie House

**LOCATION:** NW side of Depot Rd., .15 mi. E. inter. Depot & Main St.

**OWNER:** Robert French

**ADDRESS:** 10 Depot Rd., Kingston, NH

**MAP & PARCEL #:** U-10 34

**DATE:** c. 1880

**SOURCE:** Inspection

**STYLE:** Queen Anne

**UTM:** Z19 / E 332600 / N 4755450

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

**FUNCTIONAL TYPE:** Farmhouse

**PRESENT USE:** Residential

**ARCHITECT/BUILDER:** Daniel J. Bakie

**CONDITION:** Exc. Good

**INTEGRITY:** Original Site

**LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE:** Natl State Local

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System**

1. **FOUNDATION:** Stone _X_ Brick _X_ Concrete _X_ Concrete Block
2. **WALL STRUCTURE:** Wood Frame _X_ Post & Beam _X_ Ballon Frame _X_ Other
   - Load Bearing Masonry _X_ Stone _X_ Brick _X_ Concrete Block _X_ Other
   - Metal _X_ Iron _X_ Steel _X_ Other

3. **WALL COVERING:** Clapboard _X_ Wood Shingle _X_ Board & Batten _X_ Shiplap _X_ Aluminum _X_
   - Novelty _X_ Stucco _X_ Stone _X_ Brick _X_ Sheet Metal _X_ Asphalt Shingles _X_ Vinyl _X_
   - Asphalt Sheeting _X_ Composite Board _X_ Other

4. **ROOF SHEATHING:** Wood Shingle _X_ Asphalt Shingle _X_ Standing Seam _X_ Slate _X_
   - Pressed Metal _X_ Sheet Metal _X_ Rolled Asphalt _X_ Other

5. **ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:**

6. **OTHER:**
   - # of Stories 2
   - # of Bays _X_ 2
   - Approx. Dimensions 25' X 25'
   - Roof Style: Gable _X_ Hip _X_ Gambrel _X_ Flat _X_ Shed _X_ Mansard _X_ Jerkinhead _X_
   - 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_ Garage _X_ Other _X_ Barn
   - Entry Location: Center _X_ Sidehall _X_ Other _X_

**MAP (Indicate North in circle):**

**PHOTO**

**Description of View:**
- Front (SW) Side (SE)

**Photographer:** Herb Bubert

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

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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:
The French House is a 2-story cross gable house with influences of the Queen Anne. Its main features include: two large pedimented gables on its southeast and southwest elevation; an open porch on the facade; a three-sided bay window on the southeast elevation; and decoratively cut shingles in the gables.
The sidehall entry has double-leaf doors sheltered by a one story shed roofed, open porch surmounted by a pediment containing decoratively cut shingles and supported by turned columns with decorative lattice work between the railings.
The Queen Anne windows have a variety of pane arrangements and most are framed by shutters.

At rear is foundation of carriage house.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: There is an attached 2-story gable-roofed barn. It is topped by a cupola with pilasters, denticulated frieze and a pyramidal hip roof which is surmounted by a weather vane. The barn has a boxed cornice with gable-end returns and the same cut shingles in the gable end as the main house. It rests on a brick foundation.


REFERENCES: Kingston Historic Advisory Committee; interviews with members, spring 1980

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):
The D. J. Bakie House is a handsome example of the Queen Anne Style. Bakie was a prominent businessman and no doubt built this fine house to reflect his prosperity. This house is unique in the Kingston building stock. It features a cross gable configuration, an interesting collection of cut shingle patterns and lattice work. It may have been built from a pattern book - further investigation will be necessary.

Historic Associations: This house was built by Daniel J. Bakie, one of the owners of the Bakie Bros. Store. Mr. Bakie bequeathed the Bakie School to the town when he died about 1940. Subsequently, Dr. Decatur owned the house until about 1950. Decatur's office was in the west wing.

*SEE ADDITION/ CORRECTION SHEETS FOR OWNER COMMENTS

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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