HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT
Strafford Rockingham Regional Council
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TOWN: Kingston  COUNTY: Rockingham
SURVEY NUMBER: 61x
COMMON NAME: The Reynolds House
HISTORIC NAME: Carpenter Estate
LOCATION: . . . side Main St., .33 Miles N. of Intersection Main & Depot
OWNER: Arthur & Ruth Reynolds
ADDRESS: 182 Main St., Kingston, NH
MAP & PARCEL #: B34 19
DATE: C. 1845
SOURCE: Assessor's Office Kingston
STYLE: Greek Revival

UTM: Z 19 / E 332525 / N 4756075
USGS QUAD: Haverhill Quad 15' series
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Farmhouse
PRESENT USE: Residential/Commercial
ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown
CONDITION: Exc. x  Good Fair Poor Ruins
INTEGRITY: Original Site x Moved (When: )
Major alterations & date: Unknown
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 X Post & Beam X Balloon 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
   Novelty X Stucco X Stone X Brick X Sheet Metal X Asphalt Shingles X Vinyl
   Asphalt Sheeting X Composite Board X Other
4. ROOF SHEATHING: Wood Shingle X Asphalt Shingle X Standing Seam Tim X Slate X
   Pressed Metal X Sheet Metal X Rolled Asphalt X Other
5. ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:
6. OTHER:
   # of Stories 2  # of Bays 2X3 Approx. Dimensions 20' X
   Roof Style: Gable X Hip X Gambrel X Flat X Mansard X Jerkinhead
   Monitor X Sawtooth X Other
   Appendages: Porches 2 Towers 2 Dormers 2 Bay Windows 2 Elevators 2 chimneys 4
   Wings X Cupolas X Sheds 1 Garage X Other
   Entry Location: Center X Sidehall X Other X Sidehall (into porch)

MAP (Indicate North in circle):

PHOTO

Description of View:
Front-East, Side-South
Photographer: Scott Novak
Negative with: S.R.R.C.
Negative File Number: X80-50-35-35A
ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:
The Reynolds house is a 2-story L-shaped, Greek Revival Style Structure featuring slate roofs. The eight panelled entry door is flanked by side-lights and sheltered by an enclosed hip-roofed 1-story porch which is supported by one square, tapering, panelled column. Windows are two-over-one on the first story and six-over-six on the second story, all framed with channel molding and corner blocks and shutters. The low-pitched roof is pierced by two corbel-capped chimneys. The eaves treatment consists of a boxed cornice, and a pedimented gable, visually supported by wide, panelled pilasters. A large 2½-story wing has the same eaves treatment and windows as the main block. It has a 2-panelled door containing two vertical lights. The door is sheltered by the same style porch as the main block. Attached to the wing is a 1-story, gable-roofed shed. It has clapboard siding, close eaves.

Probably originally 2 buildings with Main Street section older. May have been a small house on some location built c. 1827.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: A large barn to the southwest rests on a brick foundation. It has a slate roof, clapboard siding, horizontal sliding vertical barn doors and a semi-circular radiating fanlight with a keystone. It has six over six and fixed 12 light windows. A separate gable roofed board & batten shed is located further west.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: 2 Acres. Bounded to the N. by Gibson, Morse, E. by Main Street, S. by Feard, Sanborn School, W. by Sanborn School.

REFERENCES: Kingston Historic Advisory Committee; interview w/members, Spring 1980
1856 Map
1892 Map

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):
Another unusual example of the Greek Revival style is the Carpenter House. It is likely that its L-shaped configuration is derived from joining 2 structures, but the result is quite pleasing and the detailing on each quite fine; i.e., the fully articulated pediment on the facade.

Historic Associations: A cobbler shop, formerly out back, was moved to Kingston.

MAP DATA: 1856: Garland heirs
1892: William Stevens

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: 1980