HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT
Strafford Rockingham Regional Council
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TOWN: Kingston
COUNTY: Rockingham
SURVEY NUMBER: 10d
COMMON NAME: Nason House
HISTORIC NAME: C. B. Clark House
LOCATION: N side of W. Main St., 3/4 miles S of intersection of Main & Rockrimmon
OWNER: Alden Nason heirs & Beatrice
ADDRESS: 126 Main St. West, Kingston, NH

UTM: Z 19 /E 322250 /N 4754750
USGS QUAD: Haverhill Quad 15' Series
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Farmhouse
PRESENT USE: Residential
ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

CONDITION: Exc._Good _Fair _Poor _Ruins__ (When: Unknown)
INTEGRITY: Original Site X Moved ___
LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl State Local X

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System
1. FOUNDATION: Stone _ Brick _ Concrete _ Concrete Block 
2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame _ Post & Beam _ Balloon Frame _ Other transitional frieze _
   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 _ Slate _
   Pressed Metal _ Sheet Metal _ Rolled Asphalt _ Other _
5. ENGINEERING STRUCTURE: ___
6. OTHER: ___
   # of Stories: 2 __ # of Bays: 3 __ Approx. Dimensions: 25' x 30'
   Roof Style: Gable _ Hip _ Gambrel _ Flat _ Shed _ Mansard _ Jerkinhead _
   Monitor _ Sawtooth _ Other _
   Appendages: Porches _ Towers _ Dormers _ Bay Windows _ Ells _ Chimneys _
   Wings _ Cupolas _ Sheds _ Garage _ Other _ Barn _
   Entry Location: Center _ Sidehall _ Other _

MAP (Indicate North in circle):

PHOTO Description of View: Front-east _ Side-north

Photographer: Herb Bubert
Negative with: S.R.R.C.
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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:
The Nason House is a 2½-story, Greek Revival style house characterized by gable-front orientation to the street, sidehall entry, and classical ornamentation. The entrance has a ¼-panelled door flanked by full-length sidelights and wide panels which rise to an entablature. All of the windows have six-over-six sash surmounted by projecting caps. The medium-pitched roof is topped by a narrow, corbel-capped chimney and the eaves treatment consists of a boxed cornice with a wide frieze and gable-end returns. The house rests on a brick foundation.

The 1-story, gable-roofed ell has clapboard siding, six-over-six windows, and rests on a brick foundation. The entrance to the ell has a ¼-panelled door flanked by half-length sidelights.

On the south elevation of the main block is a 1-story, shed-roofed, open porch supported by square columns. On the west elevation of the ell is a 1-story shed.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: To the southwest of the house is a 1½-story, gable-roofed barn. It has a 1-story shed on its south elevation.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: 1.4 acres bounded to the N-Collins, S-Kingston State Park, E-West Main Street, W-Kingston State Park.

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):
The C. B. Clark House is a late Greek Revival addition to the town's building stock. It is beautifully proportioned and makes an attractive addition to the historic district.

Historic Associations: In 1891, the owner (Mr. Robinson) was an ardent bicyclist. He won the cup now displayed in Daley House. In 1896, he was married on a tandem bicycle, the first bicycle marriage in the U.S.A.