HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT
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TOWN: Kingston  COUNTY: Rockingham
SURVEY NUMBER: 79
COMMON NAME: The Union Hall
HISTORIC NAME: West Kingston Hall
LOCATION: SE side Rd. 111 @ S. corner of intersection Danville Rd. 2 Page Road
OWNER: First Free Will Baptist Society of Kingston
ADDRESS: C/O Elaine Cheney, Kingston N.H.
DATE: c. 1888
SOURCE: History of Kingston
STYLE: Late 19th Century Vernacular

UTM: Z 20 /E 330150 /N 4752700
USGS QUAD: Haverhill Quad 15' series
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Meetinghouse
PRESENT USE: Meetinghouse
ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown
CONDITION: Exc. Good__ Fair__ Poor__ Ruins__
INTEGRITY: Original Site__ Moved__ (When: )
Major alterations & date: Unknown

LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl__ State__ Local

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System
1. FOUNDATION: Stone__ Brick__ Concrete__ Concrete Block__
2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame__ Post & Beam__ Ballon Frame__ Other__
   Load Bearing Masonry__ Stone__ Brick__ Concrete Block__ Other__
   Metal__ Iron__ Steel__ Other__
   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 1__ # of Bays__ Approx. Dimensions 20' X 45'
   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__
   Entry Location: Center__ Sidehall__ Other__

MAP (Indicate North in circle):

PHOTO

Description of View:
Front (F) Side (S)

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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:
Union Hall is a 1-story, gable-roofed, late nineteenth century, vernacular structure. The center entry has a 7-paneled door sheltered by a shed roofed door hood supported by square brackets. All of the windows have two over two sash and 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 structure rests on a fieldstone foundation.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT:
There is a separate 1-story, gable-roofed outhouse to the southeast of the structure.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: .4 Acres. Bounded to the North by Danville Rd.
S. by the Petties; E. by the Eaton's; W. by the Therriens.

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

1892 Map West Kingston Hall

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):
Church services & Social functions held here.
Built by W. Kingston residents who held socials and various other activities to raise money. Maintained by Union Improvement Society until 1978 when ownership transferred to First Free-Will Baptist Society.
Simple late 19th century vernacular structure more significant for its historic associations than for its architectural importance.

Map Data: 1892: West Kingston Hall

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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