## Historic Preservation Assistance Project
HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT
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<th>TOWN: Kingston</th>
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<td>SURVEY NUMBER:</td>
<td>91</td>
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<td>COMMON NAME:</td>
<td>The Matson House</td>
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<td>HISTORIC NAME:</td>
<td>S. W. Colcord House</td>
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<td>LOCATION:</td>
<td>E. side Main St., .05 Mi. N. of intersection of Chisholm Rd.</td>
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<td>OWNER:</td>
<td>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Uno A. Matson</td>
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<td>ADDRESS:</td>
<td>95 Main St., Kingston, N.H.</td>
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<td>MAP &amp; PARCEL #:</td>
<td>U7-27</td>
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<td>DATE:</td>
<td>C. 1800, perhaps earlier (1753?)</td>
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<td>SOURCE:</td>
<td>Assessors office Kingston</td>
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**Style:** Federal Cape

### 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
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: 2
   - Approx. Dimensions: 34' x 29'
   - Roof Style: Gable, Hip, Gambrel, Flat, Shed, Mansard, Jerkinhead, Monitor, Sawtooth, Other
   - Appendages: Porches, Towers, Dormers, Bay Windows, Ells, Chimneys, on MB, Wings, Cupolas, Sheds, Garage, Other
   - Entry Location: Center, Sidehall, Other

### UTM:

| Z 19 / E 332200 | N 4754025 |

### USGS QUAD:
Haverhill Quad 15' series

### Functional Type:
Farmhouse

### Present Use:
Residence

### Architect/Builder:
Unknown

### Condition:
Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor, Ruins

### Integrity:
Original Site, Moved

### Major alterations & date:
Dormers added, date unknown

### Level/Significance:
National, State, Local

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### Map (Indicate North in circle):

### Photo:

**Description of View:**
- Front (S)
- Side (W)

**Photographer:** Herb Bubert

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

**Negative File Number:** K80-10C-0A-1
ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Matson house is a 1½ story cape built in the Georgian style which has been remodeled including the addition of two, 1 bay, gable roofed, large symmetrical c.1840 dormers on its front facade. The center entry has a 6-panelled door flanked by full length sidelights (1840's). All of the windows have nine over six sash and the first story windows are framed by shutters (1840's). The steeply pitched roof is topped by a massive central chimney with three working fireplaces, and the eaves treatment consists of close raking and lateral eaves with a narrow frieze below the lateral eaves. The house rests on a stone foundation.

The 1 story, gable roofed wing projecting from the east elevation has clapboard siding, nine over six windows with shutters, a 4-panelled door with six lights, and a fieldstone foundation.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT:

Attached to the east elevation of the wing is a 1 story, gable roofed garage.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: .5 Acres. Bounded on the N. Gavel, Main St, S. by Tomaselli E. by Gavel, W. by Tomaselli.

Originally had 354 acres.

REFERENCES:

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

1856 Map S. W. Colcord, 1892 Map Mrs. M.E. Colcord

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

The S. W. Colcord House appears to have been built c.1800 although the addition of two unappropriate wall dormers has radically altered its original appearance. Historic association with S.W. Colcord makes this house significant to the history of Kingston.

MAP DATA: 1856: S.W. Colcord
1892: Mrs. M.E. Colcord

Later owned by J. Eaton

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Open Land_ Woodland_ Scattered Bldgs_ Moderately Built Up
Densely Built Up_ Residential_ Commercial_ Industrial_ Agricultural
Roadside Strip Development_ Other_