TOWN: Kingston  COUNTY: Rockingham  
SURVEY NUMBER: 122  
COMMON NAME: Clarke House  
HISTORIC NAME: G. F. Carter House  
LOCATION: E side of Church St., .02 miles S of the intersection of Cottage Street.  
OWNER: Harry Clarke  
ADDRESS: 17 Church Street, Kingston  
MAP & PARCEL #: R-34/16  
DATE: c. 1870  
SOURCE: Assessor's Office, Kingston  
STYLE: Late 19th Century Vernacular  

UTM: Z 19 /E 332225 /N 4755850  
USGS QUAD: Haverhill Quad 15' Series  
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Residential  
PRESENT USE: Residential  
ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown  
CONDITION: Exc. Good Fair Poor Ruins  
INTEGRITY: Original Site Moved  
Major alterations & date:  
LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl State Local  

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System  
1. FOUNDATION: Stone Brick Concrete Concrete Block  
2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame Post & Beam Balloon 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 Shingling 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 1½  # of Bays 3 x 2 Approx. Dimensions 20' x 24'  
   Roof Style: Gable Hip Gambrel Flat Shed Mansard Jerkinhead  
   Monitor Sawtooth Other  
   Appendages: Porches 1 Towers 2 Dormers Bay Windows Ells 2 Chimneys 1  
   Wings 2 Cupolas Sheds Garage Other  
   Entry Location: Center Sidehall Other  

MAP (Indicate North in circle):  

PHOTO  
Description of View: Front-south Side-east  
Photographer: Herb Bubert  
Negative with: S.R.R.C.  
Negative File Number: K-80-1106/34A-35
ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:
The Clarke House is a 1 1/2-story late nineteenth century vernacular structure featuring gable front orientation to the street. The 4-panelled sidehall entry door contains one large light, and is surmounted by a flat-roofed doorhood supported by brackets. Windows have two-over-two sash and shutters. An exterior chimney has a corbelled cap. Treatment at the eaves consists of a boxed cornice with gable end returns.

A 1-story screened, jerkinhead-roofed porch on the south elevation rests on a cement foundation.

A 1-story flat-roofed wing on the north elevation has clapboard siding, and windows with two-over-two sash.

A 1-story flat-roofed ell has clapboard siding and rests on a concrete block foundation.

A 1-story gable-roofed ell rests on a brick foundation. It has clapboard siding, and windows with two-over-two sash and shutters. The medium-pitched roof is topped by a tall, corbel-capped chimney, and the eaves treatment consists of a boxed cornice with gable end returns.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: A 1 1/2-story gable-roofed barn rests on a fieldstone and cement block foundation. It has clapboard siding, windows with two-over-two sash and shutters, and a vertical-board hayloft door.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: .8 acres bounded to the N-Sweeney, Carr, S-Clarke, E-Carr, W-Church Street.

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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):
The G. F. Carter House is an intact example of late 19th century building perpetuating story and 1/2 sidehall house plan.

Historic Associations: Building to south on 1892 map was Carter's carriage shop. Both sites stayed in the Carter family until well into the 20th century; after the carriage business folded, Carter had a garage here.

MAP DATA: 1892: G. F. Carter

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Open Land X Woodland Scattered Bldgs Moderately Built Up
Densely Built Up Residential X Commercial Industrial Agricultural
Roadside Strip Development Other

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