HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT
Strafford Rockingham Regional Council
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TOWN: Kingston COUNTY: Rockingham
SURVEY NUMBER: 136
COMMON NAME: The Childs House
HISTORIC NAME: Colcord/Patten House
LOCATION: W. side Church St., .02 Mi. N.
intersection of Chase St. (Patten's Corner)
OWNER: Eleanor Childs
ADDRESS: 38 Church St., Kingston, NH

MAP & PARCEL #: B13-1
DATE: c.1750/1870 (c.1712 on house)
SOURCE: Inspection
STYLE: See architectural description

UTM: Z19 /E 332075 /N 4756300
USGS QUAD: Haverhill Quad 15' series
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Residential
PRESENT USE: Residential
ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

CONDITION: Exc. X Good_ Fair_ Poor_ Ruins_
INTEGRITY: Original Site X Moved ___ (When: )
Major alterations & date: Extensively remodeled 1870's & 1960's

LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl State Local X

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System
1. FOUNDATION: Stone X Brick_ Concrete_ Concrete Block__
   Load Bearing Masonry_ Stone_ Brick_ Concrete Block__ Other__
   Metal_ Iron_ Steel_ Other__
   2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame_ Post & Beam X 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:
   6. OTHER:
   # of Stories ½_ # of Bays ___ Approx. Dimensions 22' X 44'
   Roof Style: Gambrel X Hip_ Gambrel_ Flat_ Shed_ Mansard_ Jerkinhead__
   Monitor_ Sawtooth_ Other__
   Appendages: Porches_ Towers_ Dormers_ 6 Bay Windows_ Ells_ 1 Chimneys_ on MB
   Wings_ Cupolas_ Sheds_ 1 Garage_ Other__
   Entry Location: Center_ Sidehall_ Other X

MAP (Indicate North in circle)

PHOTO

Description of View:
Front (S) Side (E)
Photographer: Scott Novak
Negative with: S.R.R.C K80-11-6/6-6A
Negative File Number:

CHURCH STREET
ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Childs house is a 1 1/2 story cape style structure. The 6-panelled entry door is located in the enclosed porch. Some windows have two over one sash, some have 12/12, and both are flanked by shutters. The steeply pitched roof is topped by a corbel-capped chimney, and the eaves treatment consists of a boxed cornice with gable end returns. There are three gable roofed wall dormers on each the north and the south roof slopes. They each contain one narrow, vertical window.

The 1 story, shed roofed wing on the south elevation has the same siding, windows and foundation as the main block.

There is one shed roofed, 1 story, open porch on each the north and the south elevation. A 1 1/2 story gable roofed ell has a 6 panelled door, two over one sash, wood shingle siding and a stone foundation. It has an attached 1 story gable roofed shed.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: An attached 1 1/2 story gable roofed barn rests on a cement block foundation. It has windows with six over six sash flanked by shutters, wood shingle siding, and a boxed cornice with gable end returns.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: 3.3 Acres. Bounded to the N. by Call, Daigneault and Bunker, S. by North Danville Road, E. by Church St. and W. by Martin.

REFERENCES:

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

1856 Map
1892 Map

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

The Colcord/Patten House is presently of no specific architectural style. Its 200+ year evolution is interesting, but is only visible on some elevations. Its historic associations makes it important in town history and its eccentric present configuration make it visually interesting at the intersection of Church and Main Streets.

Historic Associations: Original house 23' x 14'; west end burned and was rebuilt in very different style. Dormers not original. Belonged to Samuel Colcord in early 18th century. Possible site of indian garrison, carriage factory, gypsy campsite, boarding house.

MAP DATA: 1856: C. Patten
1892: O. P. Patten

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

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