

PLANK HOUSES OF GOSHEN, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 THEMATIC GROUP NOMINATION TO THE NATIONAL REGISTER
 INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY INVENTORY FORM

Site #14

PROPERTY NAME: <i>The Scranton House</i>	OWNER: <i>John and Roscoe Scranton</i>
LOCATION: <i>North side of Brook Road about one and a half miles from its intersection with Route 10</i>	ADDRESS: <i>RFD 2 - Box 197 Newport, NH 03773</i>
UTM REFERENCES: USGS QUADRANGLE: <i>Sunapee NH 15' series</i>	ACREAGE: <i>approx. 85 acres</i> VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: <i>(See continuation sheet)</i>
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: <p><i>The Scrantons' one-and-a-half-story dwelling is approximately 53' x 43', seven bays across by three bays deep, and has a gable roof. The sash windows are 12/12 with plain surrounds. The replaced central doorway is flanked by three-pane half sidelights with wide board enframement, reached by granite block steps. The entrance on the west end also has original granite steps. Clapboards now cover the walls which until forty years ago were sheathed in board and batten. The building rests on a cut granite foundation. There is one exposed chimney with fireplace at the east end. A shed dormer punctuates the rear slope. The ell and connected garage measure 41' x 28', is five bays across by two deep, and is recessed 16' from the main block. The three overhead garage doors replace a single central barn door.</i></p> <p><i>There is a three-story barn southwest of the house which was constructed c. 1945. It is clapboarded, rests on a concrete foundation, and has an (SEE CONTINUATION SHEET)</i></p>	
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: <p><i>The Scranton House (c. 1850) is unique among the plank houses because it is constructed of one-and-a-quarter to one-and-a-half-inch vertical plank. It is the only one of the group to use materials of this dimension in its vertical planking. Before undergoing modifications, the house was also notable for its recessed Greek Revival entry. The batten sheathing must have been an unusual contrast to it. Although significant architectural features and original outbuildings have been lost, the property is well-maintained. Its use as a Morgan horse foarm continues the property in agricultural use. It has been in the same family for eighty years.</i></p>	
MAP: (Indicate North in Circle) <div style="text-align: center; margin: 10px 0;">  </div> <p><i>(See continuation sheet)</i></p>	PHOTOGRAPH: <div style="text-align: center; margin: 10px 0;">  </div>
RECORDED BY: <i>Doris Newman</i> ADDRESS: <i>Goshen NH 03753</i> DATE: <i>3/6/83</i>	DESCRIPTION OF VIEW: <i>Front (south)elevation</i> PHOTOGRAPHER: <i>Leslie Goat Aug. 1982</i> NEGATIVE WITH: <i>Town Clerk, Goshen NH</i>

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Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

Boundaries of the nominated property are highlighted in yellow on the attached sketch map. These boundaries represent the acreage historically associated with the house.

UTM References:

A.) Easting: 7-33-000 Northing: 47-99-500

B.) Easting: 7-33-000 Northing: 47-98-975

C.) Easting: 7-32-475 Northing: 47-98-925

D.) Easting: 7-32-400 Northing: 47-99-400

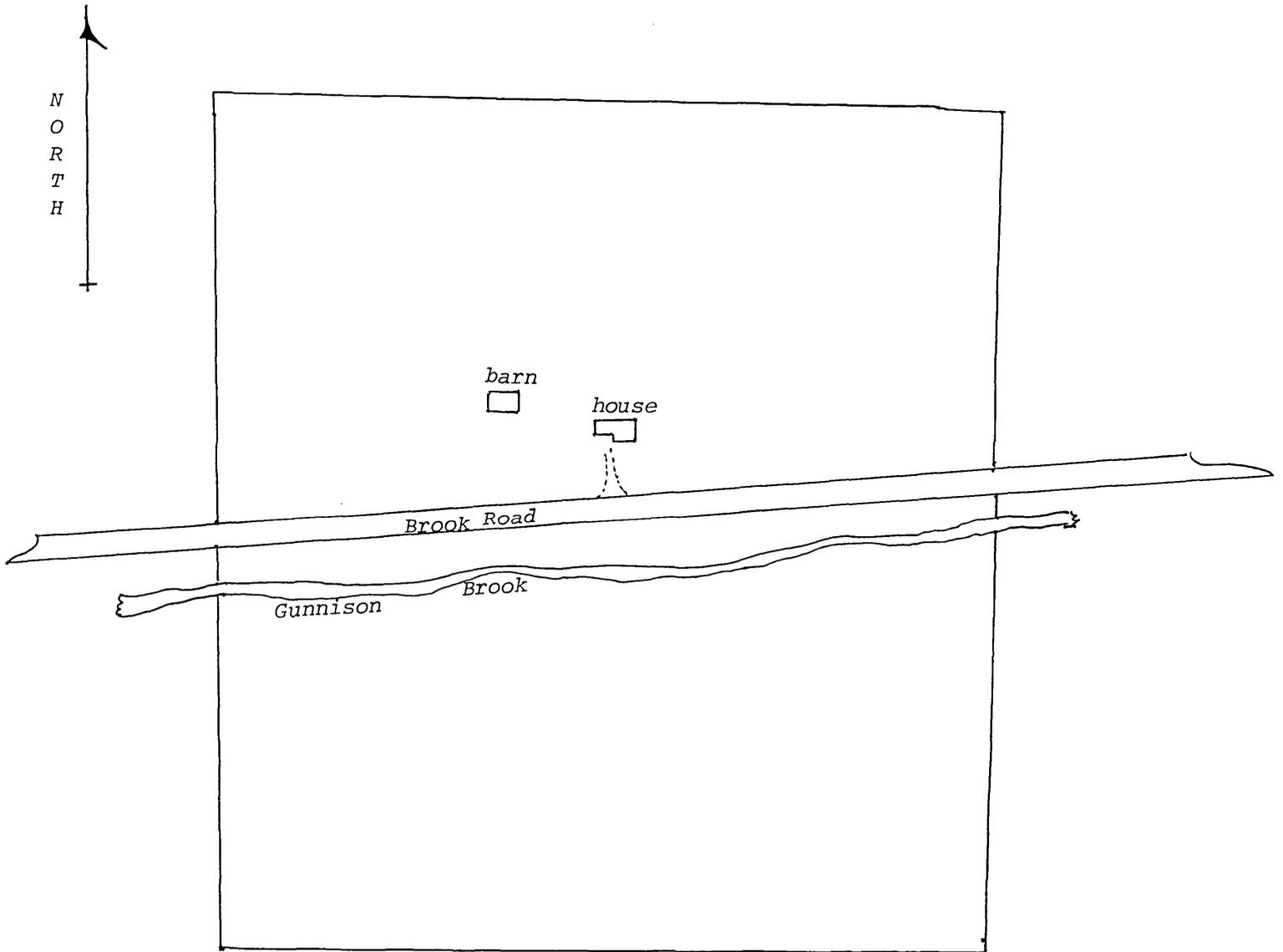
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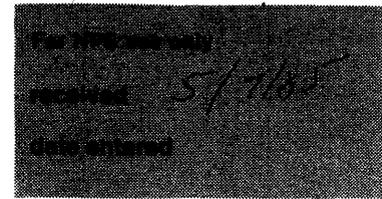
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1" = 400'
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**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**



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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Plank Houses of Goshen New Hampshire Multiple Resource Area
State Sullivan County, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Nomination/Type of Review	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper	Date/Signature
11. Pike House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper	<u>Delores Byers</u> 6/21/85
		Attest	_____
12. Purnell House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper	<u>Delores Byers</u> 6/21/85
		Attest	_____
13. Scranton House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper	<u>Delores Byers</u> 6/21/85
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14. Seavey House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper	<u>Delores Byers</u> 6/21/85
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15. Stelljes House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper	<u>Delores Byers</u> 6/21/85
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16. Welcome Acres	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper	<u>Delores Byers</u> 6/21/85
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17. Williamson House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper	<u>Delores Byers</u> 6/21/85
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18. Windswept Acres- Powers House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper	<u>Delores Byers</u> 6/21/85
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20.		Keeper	_____
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