

**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

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

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic ~~the~~ Stone House

and or common

2. Location

street & number Burnham Road N/A not for publication

city, town Bridgton, N/A vicinity of

state Maine code 23 county Cumberland code 005

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	N/A in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Col. and Mrs. A. P. Richmond

street & number 2563 Riverview Drive

city, town Fairbanks, N/A vicinity of state Alaska 99701

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Cumberland County Registry of Deeds

street & number

city, town Portland, state Maine

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title N/A has this property been determined eligible? N/A yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Constructed of massive granite blocks in the side of a hill, this house is one-and-one-half stories high with a gable roof. On the north and east sides an additional story is derived through the exposed basement walls. The upper half-story is timber frame construction supporting a steeply pitched gable roof and containing a large central chimney. Each gable end is sheathed with clapboard siding.

The windows consist of a mixture of six-over-six and two-over-two double-hung sash. The main entrance, located in the center of the south facade, has a six panel door flanked by sidelights.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1830 **Builder/Architect** John Mead

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

This cape with two stories in the rear and one side where the land slopes away is one of the rare examples of this house form executed in stone in Maine and probably the oldest in the state, certainly in the western portion. Of added interest is the fact that John Mead, Sr., builder of the house, planted a grove of mulberry trees and raised silkworms. How successful his project was is not recorded, but it is the only known incidence of this industry in Maine.

Mead was a native of England who, in the early 1800's built a house near the Stone House. In 1828 a freak windstorm literally blew it down and Mead, being a man of determination, stated, "I will build a house to withstand all winds and weather." He went into a quarry near his wrecked house and split out by hand enough granite slabs to make the walls for his new home. Heavy timbers were hewn out to brace and frame it. In a surprisingly short time, after the style used in England, the Stone House was complete.

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY Stone House
NAME:

MULTIPLE
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: MAINE, Cumberland

DATE RECEIVED: 10/22/10 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 12/06/10
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 84001361

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 11-22-10 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Additional Documentation Approved

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept

REVIEWER Edouard Beall

TELEPHONE _____

DISCIPLINE History

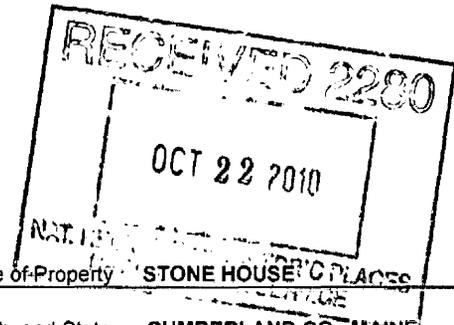
DATE 11-22-10

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.

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National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet



Name of Property STONE HOUSE

County and State CUMBERLAND CO., MAINE

Name of multiple property listing (if applicable)

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COUNTY, Town	NAME	NR ID #	Correct UTM's
Cumberland, Bridgton	Stone House	84001361	19/365543/4873123

The above UTM coordinates replace the incorrect coordinates provided in the original nomination/registration form for this property.