

DUBLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE: HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

1. Historic Name (s) WILLIAM STRONGMAN HOUSE/WYMAN HOUSE Original Owner William Strongman		22. Map & Lot No. 18 - 10	
Present Name "THE CARPENTER'S SHOP"		23. Original Range/Lot VI - 6 - 3	
3. Owner's Name Thomas Marriner		24. U.S.G. S. Quadrant (15'/75') Monadnock	
4. Owner's Address Box 237, Dublin, N.H. 03444		25. UTM Reference 18 741750 4754350 Zone Easting Northing	
5. Location Old County Road		26. Zoning: Rural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Open to Public Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7. Visible from road Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	8. Ownership Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Institutional <input type="checkbox"/>	27. Prehistoric Site Object Historic Site Structure Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9. Local Contact/Organization Dublin Conservation Commission		28. Significance Evaluation	

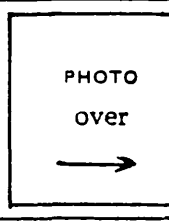
11. Architect	29. Theme Primary Architecture Secondary Settlement Other Summer colony
12. Builder	30. Endangered Yes No
13. Date c.1780/1899	31. Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>
14. Style Colonial & Colonial Revival	32. Major Alterations & Date Front section built 1899
15. Original Use Dwelling	33. Owner Questionnaire Completed <input type="checkbox"/>
16. Present Use Residence & Woodworking shop	
17. Condition Interior Exterior very good	

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18. Description  
Tall, 2 1/2-story white clapboarded house with 1 1/2-story ell to rear, located on a high rise of land and facing Old County Road (the town's oldest thoroughfare). Main section (1899), designed in Colonial Revival Style, is reminiscent of a 17th-century late medieval house (like the Parson Capen house of 1683 in Topsfield, Mass.) with its tall proportions. The late-18th-century north ell has steeper than usual roof-line, with extended shed-type dormers, probably added later. The Carpenter's Shop, now used for making Shaker-style furniture, is to north of the house, and is housed in a large 2-story framed suspension barn (c.1920), with white painted vertical siding and 6/6 windows.

19. History  
The present north ell was probably built in the 1770's or 80's by William Strongman (1750-1836), Revolutionary soldier & son of the namer of the town whose house is nearby (see Henry Strongman house, #24), who settled on this site in 1772. Later occupied by the Greenwood & Bond families. The large south section built in 1899 as a summer residence by William C. Wyman of Brooklyn, N.Y. Summer tenant, 1911-13, was humanist philosopher Irving Babbitt (1865-1933), and later owners were Louis Cabot, artist Josepha (Mrs. Grosvenor) Backus, & Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hale.

20. Significance  
Its main section the only example of 17th-century Colonial Revival architecture in Dublin, this house is associated with both earliest settlement of the town and with notable figures in Dublin summer colony--philosopher Irving Babbitt and artist Josepha Backus.



21. Source of Information  
History of Dublin, pp. 192, 640, 721  
Peterborough Transcript, 4/13, 8/24, 9/14/1899,  
6/20/1912, 6/26/1913  
Cooke, G.W., New England Magazine, Aug., 1899

34. Prepared by: WM/WLB  
35. Organization  
36. Date 3/30/79

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37. PHOTO B. Harris 2/83

Roll No. AM  
Picture No. 13  
Direction Facing North

VIEW OF HOUSE FROM ROAD

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Facing East

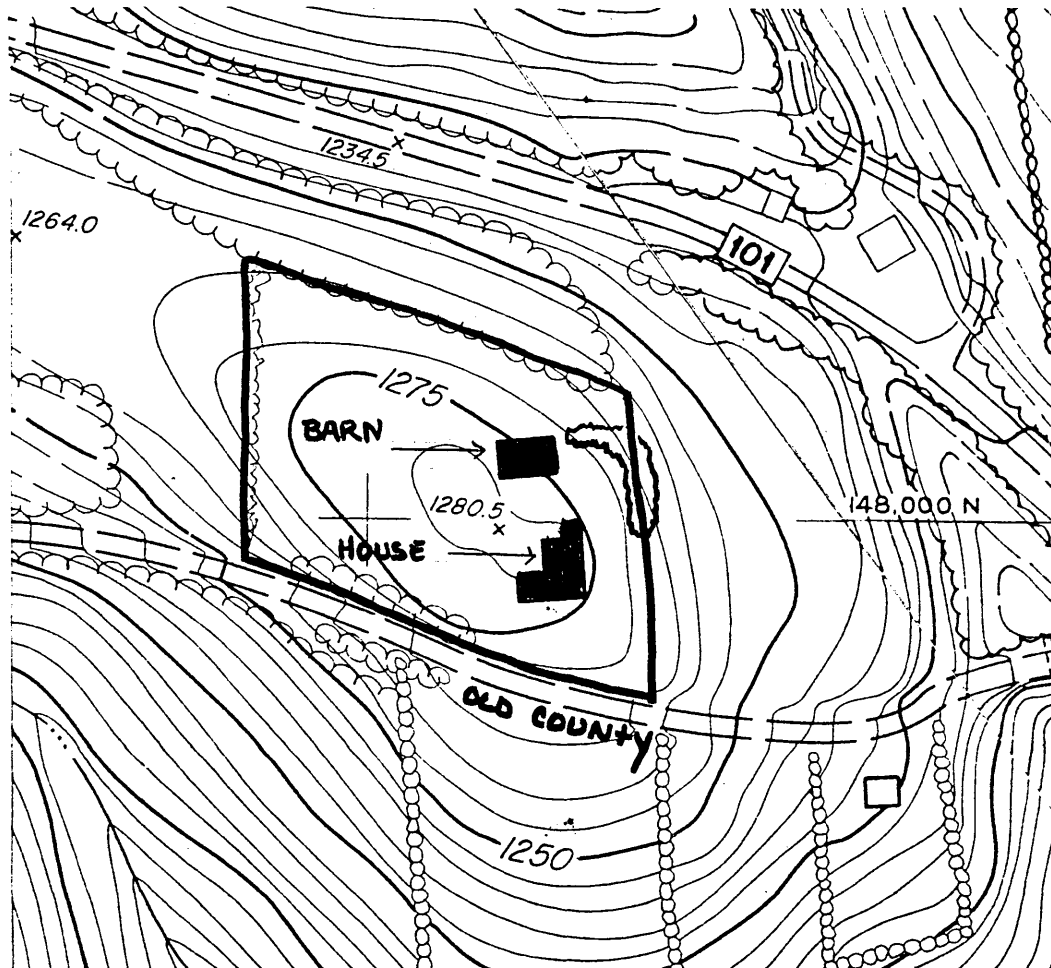
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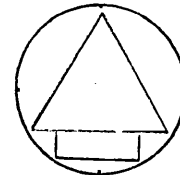
SIDE VIEW OF HOUSE AND BARN

## HISTORIC NAME:

William Strongman House



PROPERTY OWNER: Thomas Marriner  
 SITE NUMBER: 26  
 PROPERTY NAME: The Carpenter's Shop  
 ADDRESS: Old County Road



## GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Bounded on south by Old County Road, on the west and north by tree line and on the east by line of hemlock windbreak and arbitrary line continuing same to road. 3.05 acres.

Scale: 1"=200'

## HISTORIC RESOURCES OF DUBLIN, N.H.

## JUSTIFICATION:

Immediate visual surroundings incorporating the features contributing to the property's architectural and historical significance.

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 Dublin Multiple Resource Area  
State Cheshire County, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

61. Strong, Capt. Richard,  
House

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62. Strongman, Henry, House

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63. Strongman, William, House

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64. Townsend Farm

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65. Wales, Mary Anne, House

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66. Weldwood

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50 67. Windmill Hill

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68. Wood House

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69. Morse, Eli, Sawmill  
Foundations

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