

ADDENDA

In 1984 the Department of Natural Resources contracted with Joe Getty to conduct a follow-up survey of selected historic properties on DNR lands. DNR funded the field survey and photography but did not prepare finished copy. The attached photocopy pages were forwarded to the Maryland Historical Trust to supplement existing files. All original material and photographs remain in the possession of the Department of Natural Resources under the supervision of Ross Kimmel (x3771).

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

CARR-583  
MAGI # 0705833504

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
Bowers Farm

AND/OR COMMON  
Honbarrier Farm

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
West Side of Bowers Road North West of

CITY, TOWN  
Klee Mill Park

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF Gamber

STATE  
Maryland

COUNTY  
Carroll County

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

| CATEGORY  | OWNERSHIP                                  | STATUS                                       | PRESENT USE                            |   |
|---|--|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE   | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM                       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S) | <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE           | <input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED          | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL    | <input checked="" 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                   | <b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>                  | <b>ACCESSIBLE</b>                            | <input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT                 | <input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS        | <input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED     | <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT    | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC                   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED  | <input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED   | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL    | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION               |
|   |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO       | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY      | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER                        |

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME  
Maryland Department of Natural Resources Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER  
Taves State Office Building

CITY, TOWN  
Annapolis,

STATE, zip code  
Md. 21401

VICINITY OF

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Carroll County Courthouse

Liber #: 596  
Folio #: 653

**C** STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN  
Westminster, Md.

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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| CONDITION                                |                                       | CHECK ONE                                     | CHECK ONE   |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT       | <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS        | <input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED              | <input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED    |   |   |

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Bowers Farmhouse, located on the west side of Bowers Road northwest of Klee Mill Park is a two-storey, four bay wide one, one bay deep, clapboard (possibly over log) structure. A two-storey wing of equal height, two bays wide and one bay deep, projects from the two southern-most bays of the rear (West) facade. The over all plan is an L-shaped one.

The house is built into the side of a hill and consequently an elevated one-storey, partially enclosed porch spans the main (East) facade. A four-paneled door with a flat wooden surround with a slightly pedimented lintel is located in the second bay from the northern corner. Unevenly spaced windows flank this entrance. These windows share the same trim as the door way and are 6/6 sashed. The two southern bays are obscured by the enclosed section of the porch. Although not visible from the outside a door must exist in one of these bay allowing for access to the porch area. Windows with 6/6 sash and simple timber surrounds are assymetrically positioned above the four openings of the first storey.

Little distinguishes the north and south gable facades. A 6/6 sashed window is centrally located on the first storey of both facades as well as a smaller 6/6 sashed window at attic level. Fish-scale shingles in the tympanum area of the gable ends and plain cornerboards offer some attempt at ornamentation.

The rear (west) facade is very straight forward. The two southern bays are no longer visible on the exterior because of the L-wing. The remaining two bays are defined as follows: a 6/6 sashed window in the northern bay, with a door to the south of it on the first storey. The four-paneled door has a gable-roofed hood.

The third entrance is located on the north facade of the two storey addition. It too has an gable-roofed hood. A 2/2 sashed window flanks this entrance to the west, windows with 2/2 sash are positioned above these two first storey. On the south facade, the first storey has been partially enclosed by a shed-roof clapboard addition. A fourth entrance is located in this facade. Two 2/2 sashed windows occupy the two corresponding openings of the second storey.

A central chimney is located in the main section while an interior chimney is found in the west gable facade of the wing. Both sections sit on field stone foundations.

Various outbuildings surround the farmhouse, the most interesting of which is a bank barn which is located to the east of the farm house.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

| 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY                | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT    | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)     |  |  |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION               |   |  |  |  |

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Both land records' research and the 1877 Lake, Griffing & Stevensons' Illustrated Atlas of Carroll County indicate that this farm was owned by Sebastian Bowers family throughout the second half of the nineteenth century. His 202-acre farm was part of three tracts of land: Caledonia, Deep Valley Resurvey and Dunblain.

Although only an exterior evaluation was executed on this farmhouse it is quite possibly that an interior investigation would yield more conclusive evidence as to the age of the house.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Well sited in a remote area of Morgan Run Natural Environmental Area this farm complex should remain an active rental property of the Department of Natural Resources.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Bridget Deale, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

August 1979

STREET &amp; NUMBER

21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

## DRAFT--BOWERS FARM

The Bowers Farmhouse is a two-story, four-bay by one-bay structure built in an L-shape plan. The structure evolved over three phases of construction. The original house is a log structure on a stone foundation that comprises the southern portion of the main section of the house. This section dates from the early nineteenth century. A log addition was added to the north gable end of the structure and the exterior was covered in wood siding. Later in the nineteenth century an ell wing was added to the house. ¶ The Bowers Farm is located on Jim Bowers Road just south of Morgan Run. It is located on the west side of Bowers Road which dead ends at this location. Recently, the bridge was removed over Morgan Run which prevents easy access to this location. The structure is constructed in a sloping site so that it has a high foundation level on the main (east) facade.

The main facade is four-bays wide and has an early twentieth century full-length concrete block porch. Entrances are located in the central two bays of the first-story and six-over-six windows are in the outer bays of the first story and four bays of the second story. The north and south gable ends have a six-over-six window on the first story and a four-pane window in the gable. The gables contain late nineteenth century ornamentation of rounded-end shingles. The west facade contains an entrance into the northernmost room and six-over-six windows, one on the first story and two on the second story. The ell has a one-story shed porch on the south facade. It contains an entrance and a window on the first-story and two windows on the second story on both the

north and south facades. The west gable end contains a single window on the first story.

The main section of the house <sup>was</sup> constructed of log ~~timber~~ in two separate sections. The southernmost portion of the house is the earliest and the log structure is exposed to show v-notching at the corners and chinking with stones and plaster. The interior of this section has plain board window frames and has a modern stair rising along the south wall. A bricked-in fireplace is located along the north wall. The north room also contains a modern stairway along its south wall. The interior spaces have all been remodeled in the early twentieth century. The north room contains mid-nineteenth century molded window frames.

The structure has a gable roof covered in sheet metal.

The property contains a wagon shed/corncrib and a frame bank barn. The wagon shed/corncrib is constructed of frame and has vertical siding on the gable ends and horizontal siding on the corncrib sides. It appears to date from the mid-nineteenth century. It has a wide crib area on its north side and a narrow crib on the south side.

The frame bank barn is constructed with a fieldstone foundation. It has a gable roof covered in sheet metal. The forebay is located on the north facade of the structure. The framing is covered in vertical siding and has two rows of ventilator windows along each facade. Other characteristics of the barn are typical of the mid-to-late nineteenth century bank barn construction in this region.

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## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Bowers Farmand/or common Honbarrier Farm

### 2. Location

west side of Bowers Road, 1.1 mile south of Macedonia Rd.  not for publicationcity, town Camber  vicinity of congressional district Sixthstate Maryland county Carroll

### 3. Classification

| Category  | Ownership                                  | Status  | Present Use  |
|---|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> district               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public | <input type="checkbox"/> occupied                   | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture                   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> private           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied      | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> structure              | <input type="checkbox"/> both              | <input type="checkbox"/> work in progress           | <input type="checkbox"/> educational                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site                   | <b>Public Acquisition</b>                  | <b>Accessible</b>                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object                 | <input type="checkbox"/> in process        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted | <input type="checkbox"/> government                    |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> being considered  | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted          | <input type="checkbox"/> industrial                    |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> not applicable    | <input type="checkbox"/> no                         | <input type="checkbox"/> military                      |
|   |  |   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: <u>HOME</u> |

### 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Department of Natural Resourcesstreet & number Texas State Office Bldg telephone no.: 269-3771city, town Annapolis state and zip code MD 21401

### 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse registry of deeds etc. Carroll County Courthouse Annex liber 596street & number 55 N. Court St. folio 653city, town Westminster state MD

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title DNR Surveydate August 1979  federal  state  county  localdepository for survey records Department of Natural Resourcescity, town Annapolis state MD

# 7. Description

Survey No. CARR-583

**Condition**

- excellent
- good
- fair

- deteriorated
- ruins
- unexposed

**Check one**

- unaltered
- altered

**Check one**

- original site
- moved      date of move \_\_\_\_\_

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

# 8. Significance

Survey No. CARR-583

| 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/<br>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 type="checkbox"/> industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/government    | <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)         |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> invention              |   |  |

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or

Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

Level of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.



## Bower Farm

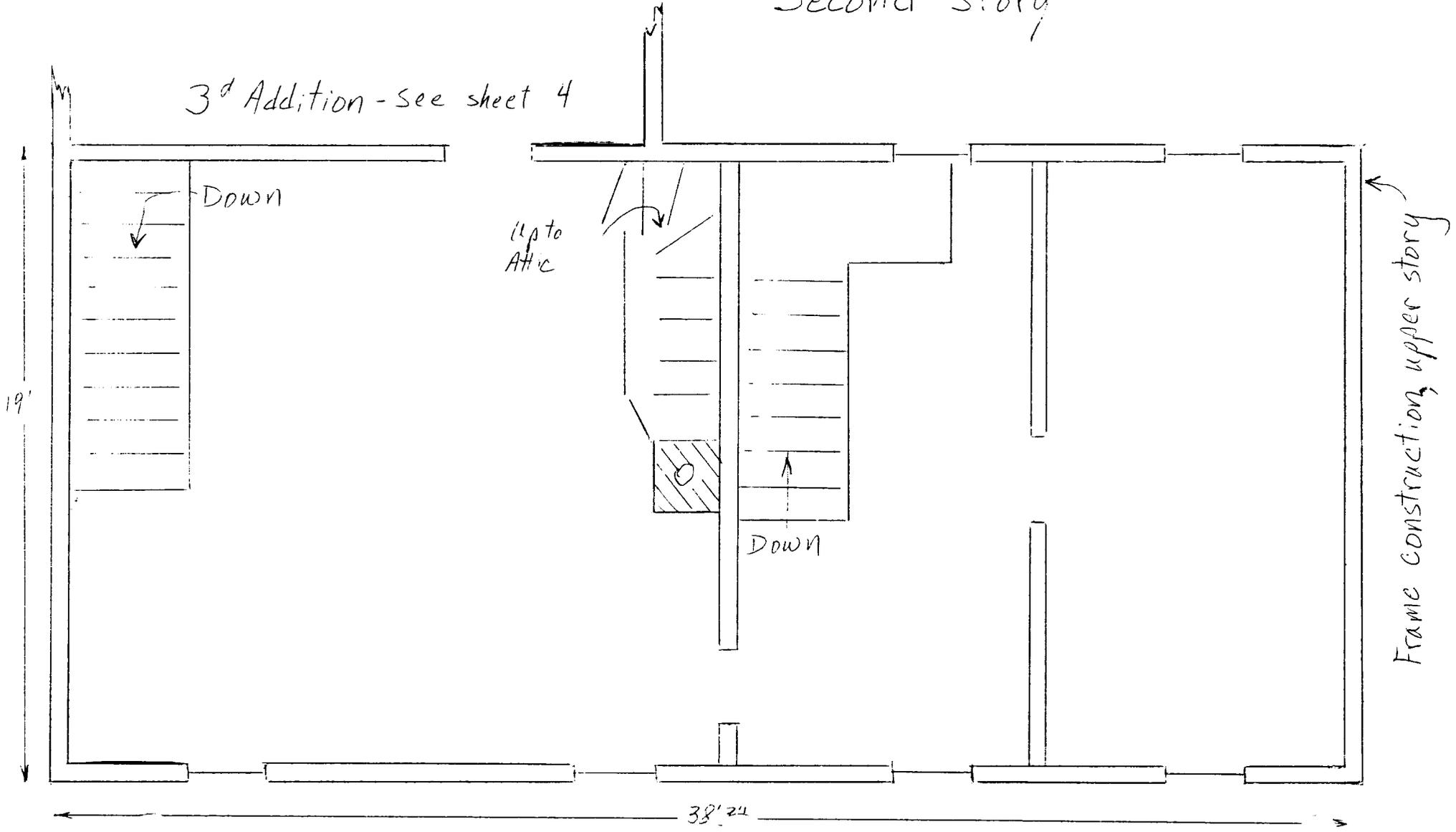
## Title Search

| <u>Land Record</u>                 | <u>Grantor</u>   | <u>Grantee</u>                         | <u>Description</u>  |
|------------------------------------|--|--|---|
| 596/653<br>7/1/75                  | Honbarrier, Billy<br>Gene, Mary Louise   | State of Md.                           | A parcel of land<br>consisting of 198.544<br>acres of land  |
| CCC 373/477<br>5/15/1964           | Bagusin, Alexis M.   | Honbarrier, Billy<br>Gene, Mary Louise | Same parcel of land   |
| LDM 172/389<br>4/8/1940            | Bowers, James<br>Martha E.   | Bagusin, Alexis M.<br>Anna Virginia    | Same parcel of land   |
| JHB 94/135<br>9/18/1901            | Bowers, Sebastian<br>Susan   | Bowers, James                          | For \$3,500 James Bowers<br>purchases the property.<br>Being the 202 acre<br>farm where the said<br>Sebastian now resides.<br>Being part of two tracts<br>of land.<br>1) WA McK 33/38<br>2) FTS 50/42 |
| Tract 1<br>WAMcK 33/38<br>4/2/1866 | Brothers, Elias<br>Ruth  | Bowers, Sebastian                      | Contains 4 parcels of<br>land described in<br>following deeds<br>1) JS5/153<br>2) JBB13/82<br>3) JS16/13/<br>4) JBB22/428<br>5) SEW30/547   |
| GEW30/547<br>4/11/1864             | Boyle, John B.<br>Brothers, Elias<br>(trustee of James<br>Edmundson and in-<br>solvent debtor) |  | Sold the 4 parcels<br>of land for \$2875  |
| Tract 2<br>FTS 50/42<br>5/11/1878  | Shipley, Grove A.<br>John C.   | Bowers, Sebastian                      | Lot 2 of land call-<br>ed Caledonia contain-<br>ing 4 acres. Also see<br>Equity #1790, 3/25/1878  |

Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
Morgan Run Natural Environment  
Area  
Carroll County, Md.

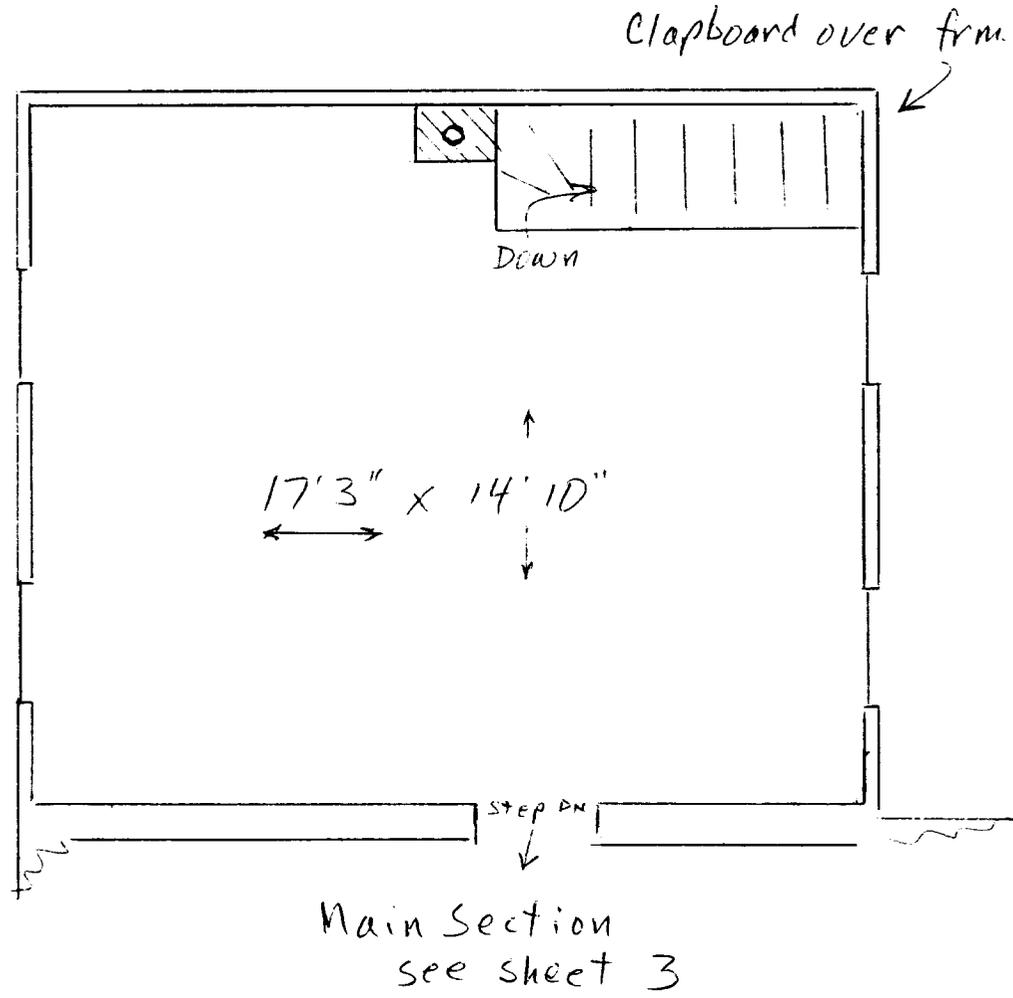
Second Story

3<sup>d</sup> Addition - see sheet 4



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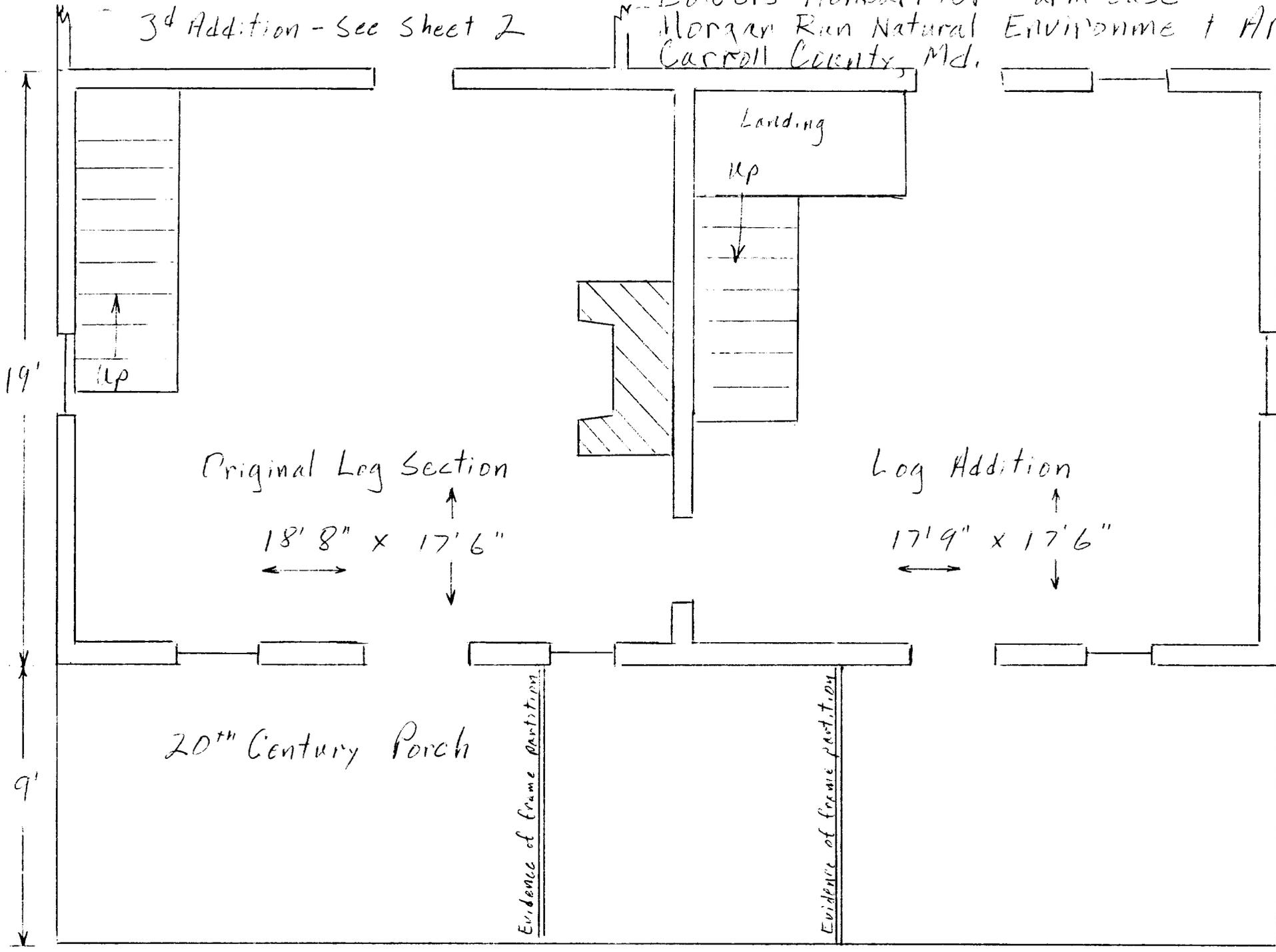


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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
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Second Floor Addition

Scale: 1/4" = 1'

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3<sup>d</sup> Addition - See Sheet 2



Clapboard over log, ground story

Original Log Section  
18' 8" x 17' 6"

Log Addition  
17' 9" x 17' 6"

20<sup>th</sup> Century Porch

Evidence of frame partition

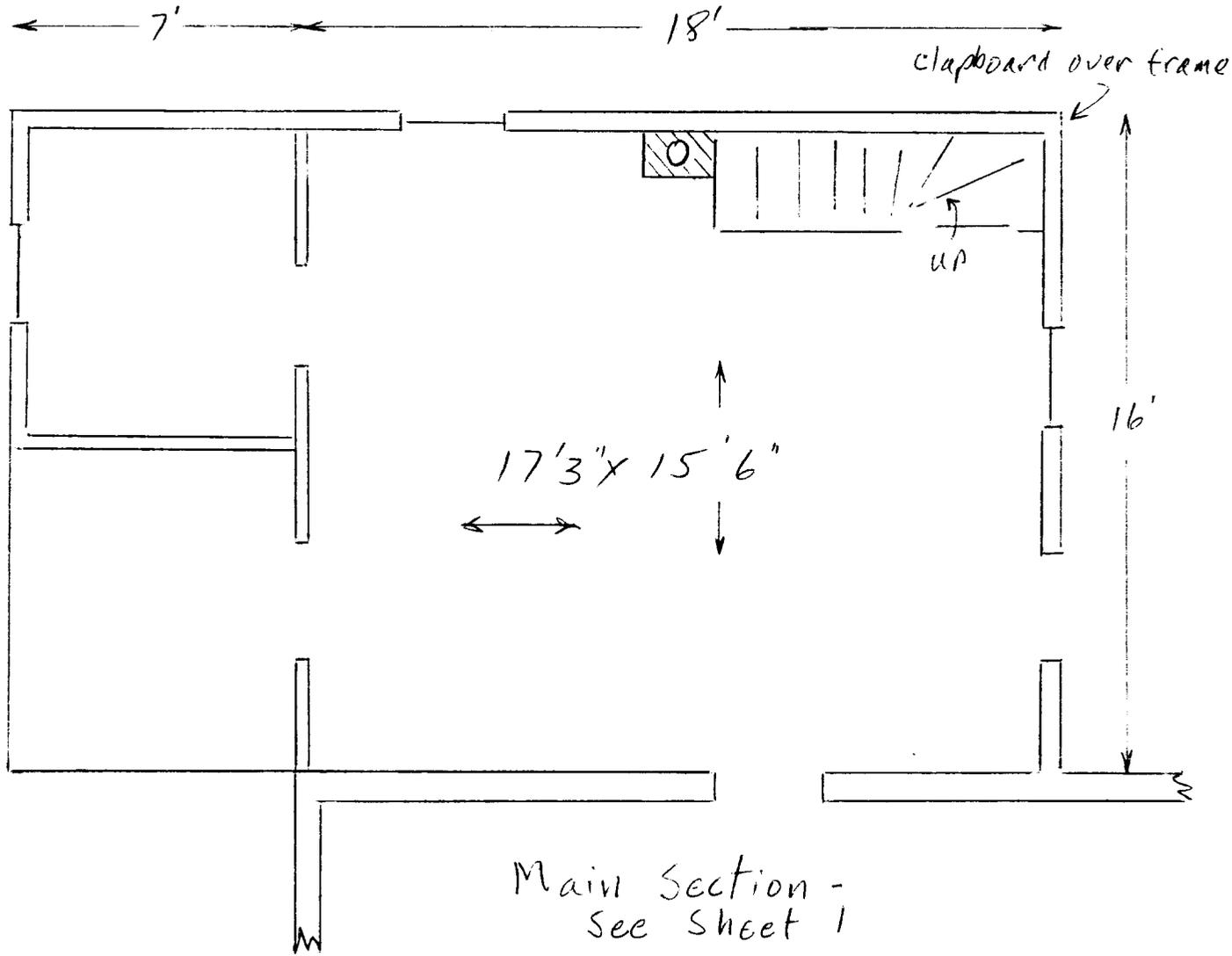
Evidence of frame partition

38' 3"

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Ground Floor

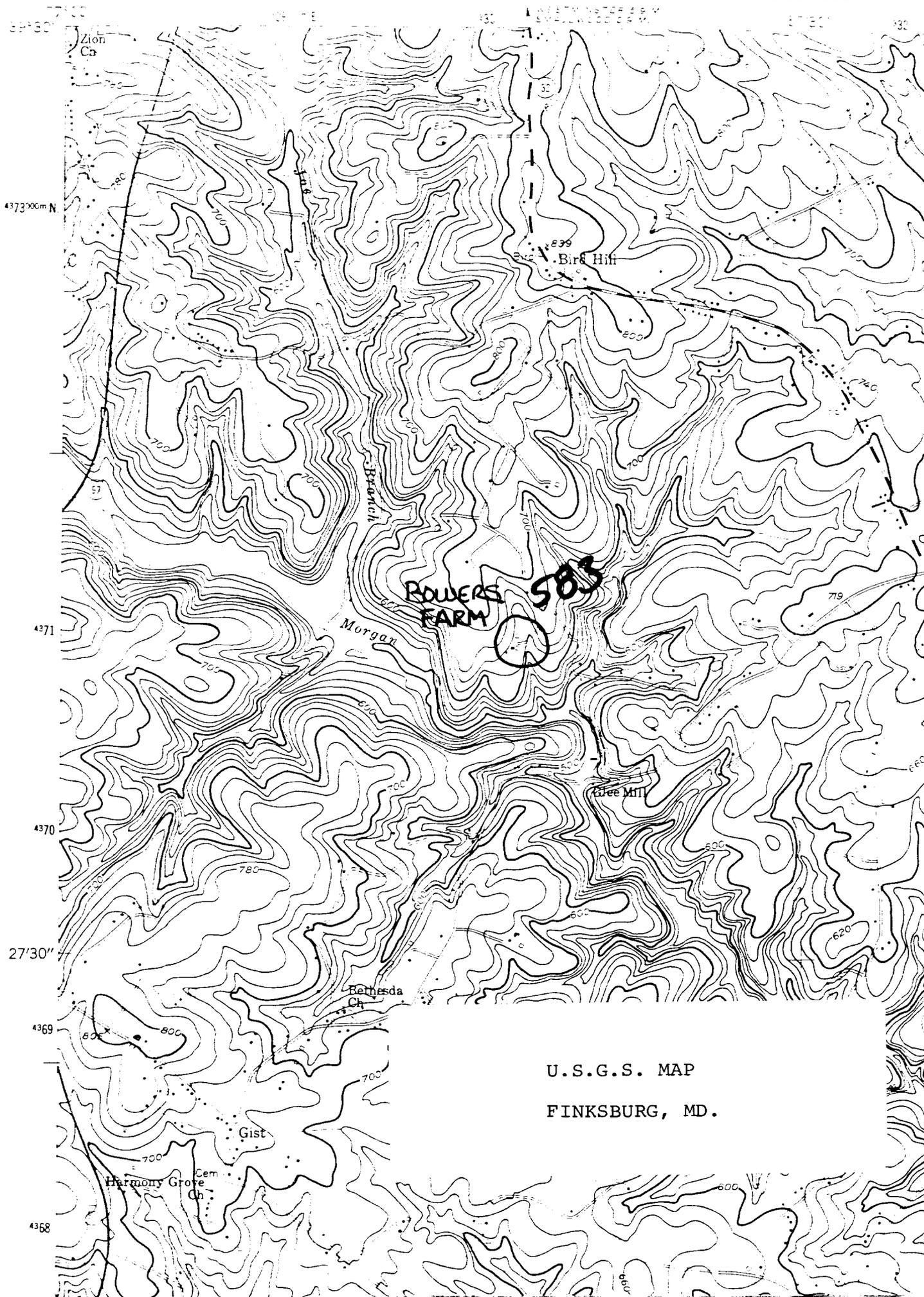
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Bowers-Houbarrier Farmhouse  
Morgan Run Natural Environment  
Area  
Carroll County, Md.  
Ground Floor Addition

Scale: 1/4" = 1'

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84°30'  
 4373'00" N  
 4371  
 4370  
 27°30"  
 4369  
 4368

U.S.G.S. MAP  
 FINKSBURG, MD.



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BOWERS FARMHOUSE  
WEST SIDE OF BOWERS ROAD  
GAMBENS, MARYLAND

MORGAN RUN NEA

N.W. ELEVATION

779; BMD



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BOWERS FARMHOUSE

WEST SIDE OF BOWERS ROAD  
GAMBERS, MARYLAND

MORGAN RUN NEA

EAST ELEVATION 7/79; BMD



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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area  
Carroll County, Md.  
East facade  
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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse

Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area

Carroll County, Md.

East and South facades

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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area  
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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area  
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View looking S.E.

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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area  
Carroll County, Md.

View looking south

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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse

Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area

Carroll County, Md.

South wall

1984



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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area  
Carroll County, Md.

Detail of interior door trim  
Ground floor room of original  
log section

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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area  
~~East~~ Carroll County, Md.

South wall, original log section, grnd. floor

1984



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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area  
Carroll County, Md.

Fireplace and n.e. corner, grnd. floor, original  
log section

1784



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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse

Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area

Carroll County, Md.

Exterior of siding over notched log

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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
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Carroll County, Md.

1984

East exterior wall under porch



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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
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Carroll County, Md.

1984

stair case, second (log) addition, grnd. floor



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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse

Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area

Carroll County, Md.

1984

Northwest corner interior, front  
porch



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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse

Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area

Carroll County, Md.

1984

South wall showing joint between original  
log section and 3d (frame) addition



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Bowers-Honbarrier Farmhouse  
Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area  
Carroll County, Md.

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Bowers-Honberrier Farmhouse

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Carroll County, Md.

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Foundation detail, south wall



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Bowers-Honbarrier Corncrib

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Carroll County, Md.

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Bowers-Honbarrier Bann

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Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area

Carroll County, Md.

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Bowers-Honbarrier Cornerib

Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area

Carroll County, Md.

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CARR-583

Bowers-Honbarrier ~~Corner~~ Barn

Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area

Carroll County, MD

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Bowers-Honbarrier Barn

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Morgan Run Nat. Env. Area

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Bowers-Honbarrier Barn & Corncrib

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