MARYLAND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. T-908

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# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Little-Haven-On-The-Bay

## 2. Location

street & number off of Route 33 ___ not for publication

city, town McDaniel _X_ vicinity of congressional district 5

state Maryland county Talbot

## 3. Classification

| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ___ district | ___ public | _X_ occupied | ___ agriculture | ___ museum |
| _X_ building(s) | _X_ private | ___ unoccupied | ___ commercial | ___ park |
| ___ structure | ___ both | ___ work in progress | ___ educational | _X_ private residence |
| ___ site | **Public Acquisition** | **Accessible** | ___ entertainment | ___ religious |
| ___ object | ___ in process | _X_ yes: restricted | ___ government | ___ scientific |
| | ___ being considered | ___ yes: unrestricted | ___ industrial | ___ transportation |
| | _X_ not applicable | ___ no | ___ military | ___ other: |

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

name Eben Lothrop

street & number telephone no.:

city, town McDaniel state and zip code MD 21647

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Courthouse liber 349

street & number folio 501

city, town Easton state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical 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 |
|---|---|---|---|
| ___ excellent | ___ deteriorated | ___ unaltered | X original site |
| X good | ___ ruins | X altered | ___ moved date of move _____ |
| ___ fair | ___ unexposed | | |

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

Little-Haven-On-The-Bay is located at the end of a private road which leads from Route 33, just after the turn-off for Route 451, to a site on the Chesapeake Bay in McDaniel, Talbot County, Maryland. The house faces east with the principle gable oriented on a north/south axis.

Little-Haven is a five bay, two-and-a-half story, flemish bond brick house with an "L" shaped footprint. The house is roofed with slate and has a brick foundation.

The east (main) elevation has a central six-panel door with a five-light transom framed with plain, white pilasters. A gable roof portico extends over this doorway, supported by fluted columns. Two six-over-nine sash windows with narrow surrounds flank either side of the doorway. Five six-over-six sash windows light the second floor. Three gable roof dormer windows are placed on the roof of the house lit by six-over-six sash windows. An interior brick chimney sits at both ends of this primary wing. A two-story, two bay, gable end, common bond brick wing which extends to the west serves as the northern most bay of this elevation. This wing was built around 1940 to replace a frame structure of similar dimensions. The first and second floors of this wing are lit by two six-over-six sash windows. The gable is finished with cornice returns and a louvered vent is located at the attic level.

The south elevation is a blind gable end except for two four-light windows with wide surrounds at the attic level. This gable end is finished with cornice returns. The south side of the brick wing which extends to the west is lit on the first floor by one six-over-six sash window, and on the second floor by three gable-roof, six-over-six sash dormer windows which break the cornice line.

The west elevation once had a wooden porch which wrapped around the first floor of this elevation to the south and east sides. This porch has been removed and replaced on the west elevation by a one-story addition enclosed with louvered, glass windows across three bays of the first floor. The second floor of this addition is railed and serves as a deck. The addition is flanked on the south by two six-over-six sash windows. The second floor is lit by three six-over-six sash windows, and three six-over-six sash, gable roof dormer windows extend across the roof. The brick gable end addition

# 8. Significance

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

**Specific dates** **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: __A __B X C __D
and/or
Applicable Exception: __A __B __C __D __E __F __G

Level of Significance: __national X state X local

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

Little-Haven-On-The-Bay, as it was named in 1915 when Mrs. P. Carroll Price operated a boarding house here, is located on a plot of land patented in 1680 as 150 acres of Fishbourne's Lot. Local historian Bernice Leonard writes about this property in her book Twig and Turf II, Bartlett and Allied Families, 1693-1984. Ralph Fishbourne was a prominent Quaker in the Bay Hundred Meeting who also owned land on the Choptank River. Neither of his two sons, William, a merchant who moved to Philadelphia, and Ralph, who died young, remained in the area. The property passed to Ennion Williams, also a Quaker, who later sold it to Laughlin McDaniel, Jr.

This property remained in the McDaniel family for the next one hundred years. In the1798 tax assessment, the family is taxed 150 pounds sterling for a brick dwelling. In 1817 James Morsell McDaniel is living in "the two-story brick dwelling his father had built". James' son, Benjamin Roberts McDaniel, inherited "the dwelling house portion of Fishbourne's Lott" and finally sold it in 1868.

In the1877 Atlas of the Bay Hundred District this property is identified as that of Mrs. T. Russell. In more recent history, the property passed from the Price family to the Berry family, and then to the Cameron family. The present owner purchased this house from the Cameron family and renamed it "Haven-on-the-Bay."

Although this house is not located in Claiborne proper, its existence as a boarding house is inextricably linked to the ferry and railroad operation based in nearby Claiborne. The 1902 USGS map of Maryland shows that Rich Neck Road, the main road from the Claiborne ferry stop, was linked to the Little-Haven-on-the-Bay drive by means of Old Claiborne's Dom Pedro Street.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

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# 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____ Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

| | Zone | Easting | Northing | | Zone | Easting | Northing |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| A | | | | B | | | |
| C | | | | D | | | |
| E | | | | F | | | |
| G | | | | H | | | |

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

| state | code | county | code |
|---|---|---|---|
| state | code | county | code |

# 11. Form Prepared By

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organization Talbot County Historic Preservation Commission date 12/31/91

street & number telephone

city or town Easton state MD

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.

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on the north end of the house is lit on the first floor by one three panel picture window with the same white pilaster frame which surrounds the entrance door on the east elevation. The second floor is lit by two six-over-six sash windows. This gable end has cornice returns and a louvered vent in the eave.

The north elevation, constructed in the 1940s, ends in a gable at the eastern most bay with a slightly projecting shed roof addition enclosed in louvered glass windows across the first floor. The second floor is lit by three six-over-six sash windows, and a four-light window sits in the eave. This gable end is finished with cornice returns. To the west of this gable end, the wing is lit on the first and second floors by one six-over-six sash window. An exterior brick chimney is placed at the end of this elevation.

There are five outbuildings on this property as well as a swimming pool, a chinese chesnut tree orchard, and a cemetery. One of the outbuildings is a cinderblock garage with a tin roof built in the late 1940s. There is a small boat house by the water, and two square, board and batten outbuildings lit by three six-light windows. A dilapidated corn crib is also located on the property. The cemetery is a McDaniel family graveyard with some stones dating to the 1830s.

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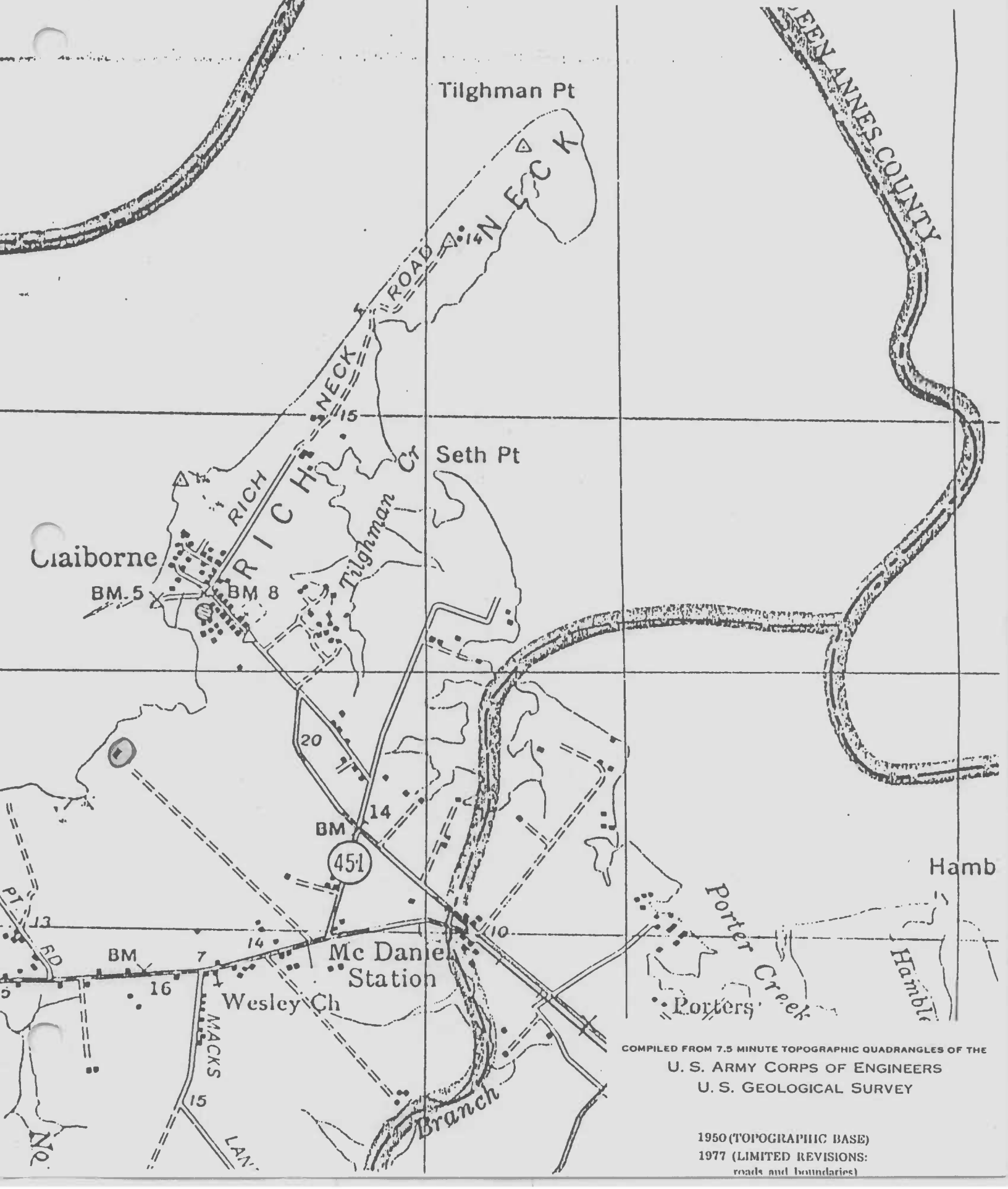
Claiborne
~~Annapolis~~ Quadrangle

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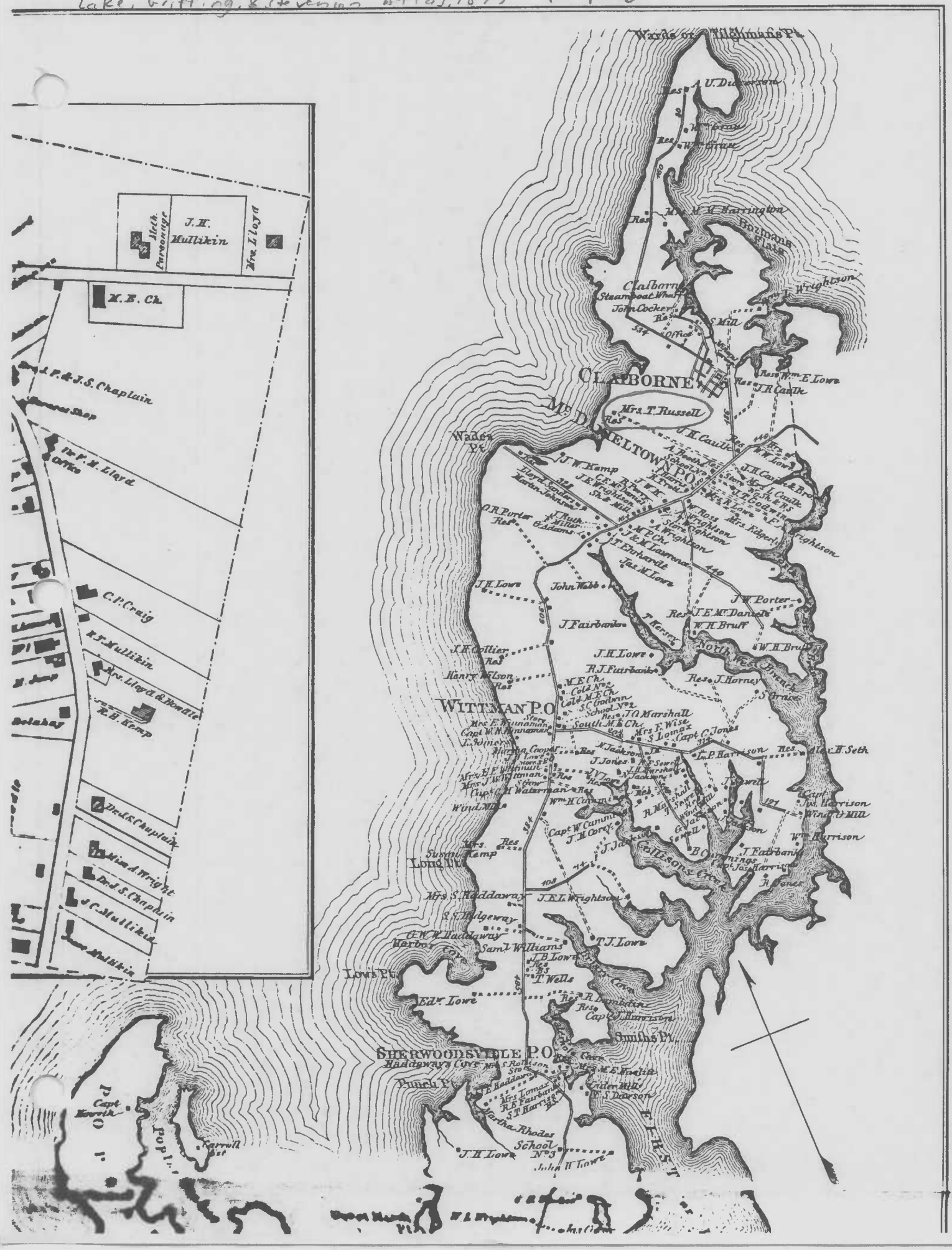

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