

CT-23

circa 1800

STANFORTH HOUSE

Although altered by the addition of a long shed dormer at the roof level, this Federal house is pleasing for its simplistic detail. Five bays in length, it is of two (now two and one half) story height with a single exterior chimney at each end. The exterior walls are sheathed with asphalt shingles.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Lowry's Reserve

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Lowry Plantation, Bowie Shop Road

CITY, TOWN

Huntingtown

X VICINITY OF Cox

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Calvert

STATE

MD

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

\_\_\_DISTRICT

X BUILDING(S)

\_\_\_STRUCTURE

\_\_\_SITE

\_\_\_OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

\_\_\_PUBLIC

X PRIVATE

\_\_\_BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

\_\_\_IN PROCESS

\_\_\_BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

X OCCUPIED

\_\_\_UNOCCUPIED

\_\_\_WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

\_\_\_YES: RESTRICTED

\_\_\_YES: UNRESTRICTED

X NO

PRESENT USE

X AGRICULTURE

\_\_\_COMMERCIAL

\_\_\_EDUCATIONAL

\_\_\_ENTERTAINMENT

\_\_\_GOVERNMENT

\_\_\_INDUSTRIAL

\_\_\_MILITARY

\_\_\_MUSEUM

\_\_\_PARK

X PRIVATE RESIDENCE

\_\_\_RELIGIOUS

\_\_\_SCIENTIFIC

\_\_\_TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Walter B. & Doris A. Sheer

Telephone #: 855-8970

STREET & NUMBER

Lowry Plantation

CITY, TOWN

Huntingtown

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

MD 20639

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Calvert County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

MD STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_FEDERAL \_\_\_STATE \_\_\_COUNTY \_\_\_LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Lowry's Reserve is an L-shaped gable-roofed frame dwelling. It consists of a two-story, five-bay-long by two-bay-deep section running east/west, followed by a one-story, four-bay-long by one-bay-deep section running north/south. A one-story one-bay-long later addition stands at the south end of the latter section.

The one-story section was built in the late eighteenth or early nineteenth century. An exterior chimney, serving only the first floor, stands at the south end, now in the addition. On the west side, a 6/6 window to the north is followed by a door and then two 6/6 windows to the south. The same pattern appears on the east, minus the northernmost window. The northern two bays on this side are covered by a recent shed-roofed bathroom addition. Two shed dormers holding 6/6 sash light either side of the loft. This section rests on a stone foundation.

The floor plan consists of a hall and parlor on the first floor with a winding enclosed staircase in the northeast corner leading to two chambers in the loft. A closet is situated under the stair.

Little original woodwork remains in the earliest section. The mantel is similar to the one in the 1840's section, but simpler. The stair panelling and parlor architraves include 1840's Greek ovolo moldings. The hall architraves were replaced by the same moldings as in part #3. The newel post and cap are similar to, but simpler than, those in the 1840's section. Only the simple beaded baseboard and chair rail in the parlor seem to be original.

The western three bays of the two-story section were built in the 1840's as a side-hall, single-parlor dwelling. This building features doors in the eastern bays of the north and south sides. All other bays on these two sides hold 6/6 sash. The west gable end was unlighted. Two gable dormers containing 6/6 sash presently light either side of the attic. All windows on the north side are flanked by louvered shutters. An exterior chimney built in 5:1 common bond rises in the west end. It serves both floors before its shoulders step in to a narrow stack. This part of the house rests on a low fieldstone foundation.

The woodwork in this section is exquisite. This house displays some of the finest and earliest original corner block trim in Calvert County. In this case the moldings are composed of a finely cut Greek ovolo & astragal on either side of a central half-circle profile. This is used for all architraves, corner blocks, and the mantel pilasters. Later examples of trim employing corner blocks are far coarser and more bulbous. The mantels include deeply cut Greek ovolo moldings and an undecorated central panel. The stair's newel post reflects the earlier tradition of a slim rounded post whose cap is formed by the rounded end of the banister. This is one of the latest examples of this type of stair. Later stairs include the bulbous posts of the Victorian era. The side of this stair is panelled, and a closet is provided underneath. The scrolled stepends are also transitional. They have more detailed scrolls than the earlier simple curves, but do not include the fancy cut-out work of later jig-sawn examples. These hand-cut boards are slightly thicker than the later boards, yet are slimmer than the earlier ones. In the construction under the stair handsawn members joined with cut nails, and riven lath are visible.

This stair runs straight to a landing before its return. The second floor plan is the same as the first floor. A winding stair to the attic appears in the northeast corner of the second floor stair hall. In the attic one chamber is partitioned off

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**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		
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input checked="" 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

Elements of four architectural periods; eighteenth century vernacular, Federal, Greek Revival, and Victorian; comprise this frame house.

The earliest section was probably built by Joseph Harris Jr. in the late eighteenth or early nineteenth century, although it is possible that his son Alexander Harris built the house as late as the 1820's. Joseph Harris Jr. bought parts of "Lowry's Reserve" and "Bromall" (also called "Brommell" or "Bromwell") in 1801 and 1807. Alexander (b. 1801), a merchant, built the 1840's part before he died in 1847. This finely-crafted section is described as "new and commodious" when the "Harris Farm" was sold in 1853 to William J. Belt. This property was held by members of the Bowie family from 1856 to 1954. Perry Van Vleck renovated the house in 1971.

A tombstone standing northwest of the house eulogizes the three generations of Harrises who owned Lowry's Reserve.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**Charles Stein, A History of Calvert County

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

Merry Stinson

ORGANIZATION

Calvert County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Box 107

TELEPHONE

MD 20754

CITY OR TOWN

Dunkirk

STATE zip

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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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

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from the stair hall.

The north, or main, door on the first floor is flanked by three-pane sidelights over molded panels. This is topped by a transom containing diamond-shaped leaded glass panes.

Part #3, a two-story section with one room on each floor fills in the corner of the "L" between the two other parts. Two 6/6 windows appear in either floor on the north and east sides. Another 6/6 window occupies the western bay on the south side of the second floor. Two gabled dormers containing 6/6 sash light either side of the attic chamber. The two-story exterior chimney at the east end is built in 7:1 common bond. Brick piers filled in with fieldstones support this section of the house.

The woodwork in part #3 of Lowry's Reserve displays corner block trim, but with a completely different molding from part #2. This molding is composed of two bulbous curves meeting in the center. The mantels are very plain, distinguished solely by quirk-ogee trim.

The doors in all sections of Lowry's Reserve contain six shallow panels each. Those in the two-story part employ the ubiquitous Greek ovolo and astragal molding, while the simpler doors in the earlier section display only the Greek ovolo.

Determining the building dates and sequence of Lowry's Reserves' three sections is quite difficult. Only the 1840's section can be pinned down to a specific decade.

The 16' wide early section of the house is unequally divided into a 12' long unheated hall including a corner stair; and an 18' long parlor with a fireplace. By being small and unheated, the stair hall is not the true half of the recognized hall and parlor plan, yet it is longer than a simple side stair hall needs to be in such a small house. With little datable woodwork and no nails available from original structural positions, only the framing of the house is left as a dating device, and that provides only a general date range. The only accessible nails are those holding the floorboards in place in the knee wall crawl space. Several of these are distinctly cut nails, while a few other incomplete examples could be either wrought nails or, more probably, battered cut nails. If, as is likely, these are original nails, then the earliest building date is the 1820's. All construction members are hewn and hand sawn. The eaves construction includes a flat false plate. The floor joists are lapped over and mortised into the sills. These features are compatible with an 1820's building date, although they do not preclude an earlier or later date. Some reframing of the floor at the chimney end, using cut nails and re-using a beaded joist; and the rebuilding of the chimney do not provide dating evidence.

There is no structural evidence visible to suggest that part #3 was built before the 1840's section. The double thickness wall between this room and the stair hall on both floors indicates that one side was added to the other. That the one-room part was added in the 1860's is suggested by the

## DESCRIPTION CONTINUED

later moldings on both floors and the attic construction including hand-sawn members and cut nails, which would still have been used at that time. Also, the 7:1 bond of the chimney is a later pattern than the 5:1 bond of the 1840's chimney.

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Form 10-445  
(5/62)

1. STATE <b>Maryland</b> COUNTY <b>Calvert County</b> TOWN _____ VICINITY _____ STREET NO. <b>Huntingtown</b>	HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY <b>CT-23</b>
ORIGINAL OWNER <b>Stanforth Family</b> ORIGINAL USE <b>Dwelling</b> PRESENT OWNER <b>Mrs. Ridgely</b> PRESENT USE <b>Deserted</b> WALL CONSTRUCTION <b>Clapboard w/shingle</b> NO. OF STORIES <b>2-1/2</b>	2. NAME <b>Stanforth House</b> DATE OR PERIOD <b>C. 1800</b> STYLE <b>Colonial</b> ARCHITECT _____ BUILDER _____
3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE	

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC NO

This is a rather high, long, and narrow house of 1800 or later. The house is five bays wide and two deep with a protruding 2-1/2 story ell at the rear. The A-roof of the main house slopes from front to rear. There is a chimney at each end of the house. The chimneys are separated from the wall above the second story level. All of the windows are 6/6 sashes. The central door has an overlight and sidelights. A porch C. 1920 covers the door. One huge shed dormer of recent construction runs the length of the roof. The interior has much of its old panelling. The doors are old and many have their old brass locks. The chair rails on the downstairs rooms are beaded on both top and bottom. The stairhall is intact with all its old panelling. The staircase wall is panelled. The staircase has scrolled step ends, square balusters and a turned newel post which once had an ivory ha'penny set in the top. This stairhall is very lovely and beautifully proportioned. The panelling appears to be cherry and is well done.

At present the Stanforth House is deserted and prey to vandals. The doors are open and rain is damaging the ceilings.

Something should be done to preserve this tasteful and well-proportioned house.

DETERIORATING

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE    Endangered                      Interior                      Exterior

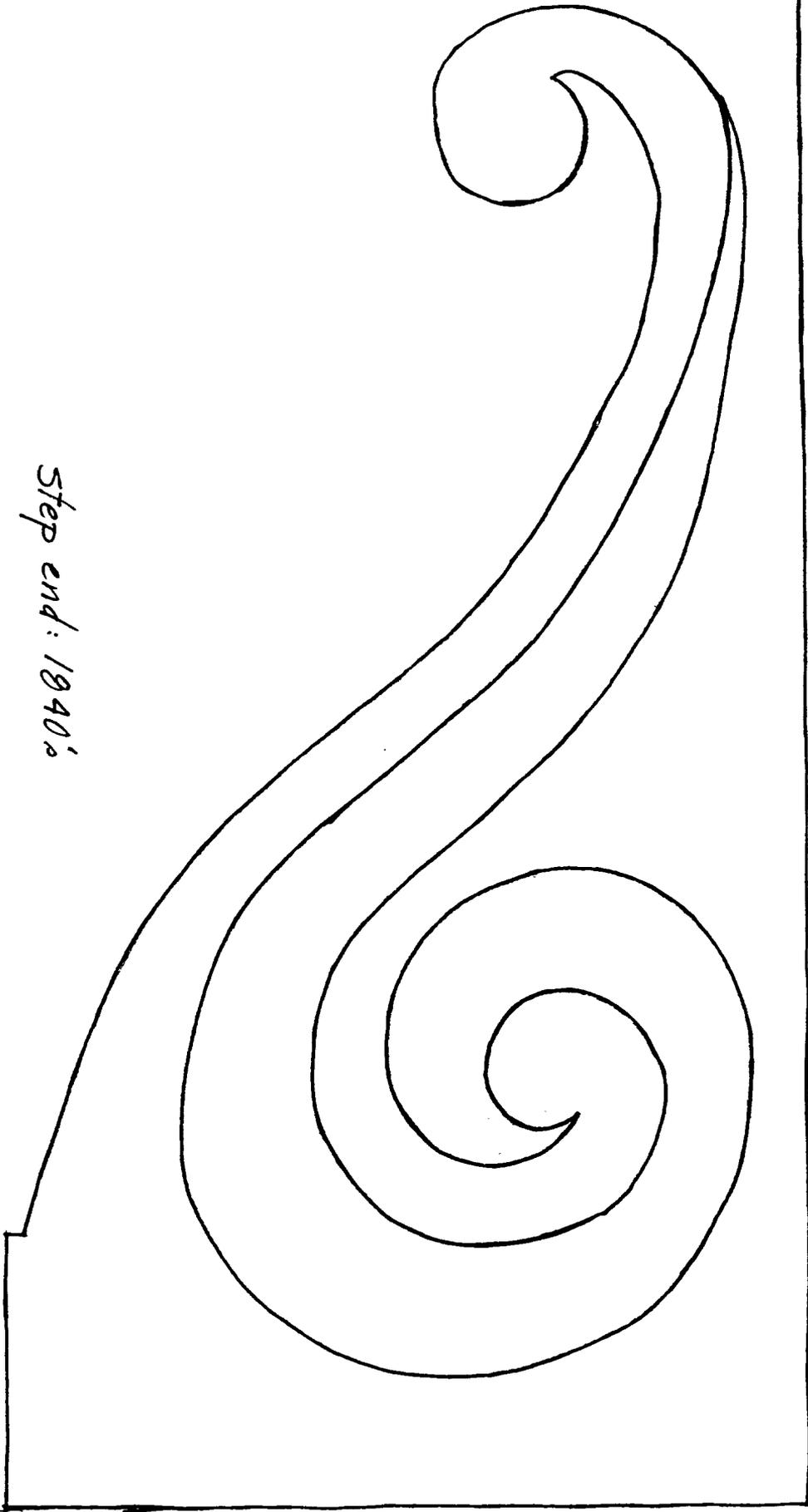
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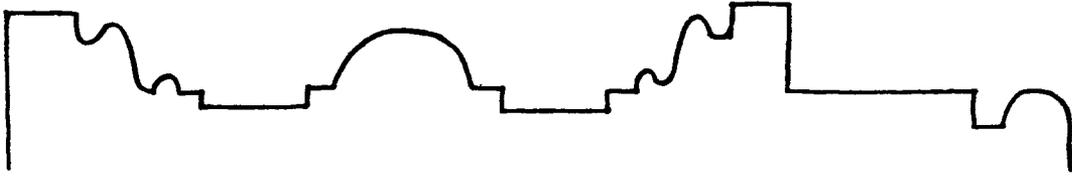
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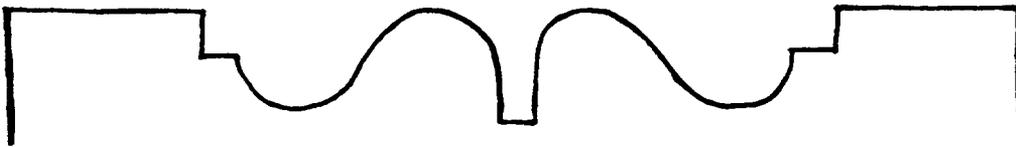
CT-23  
Lowry's Reserve

Step end: 1840's

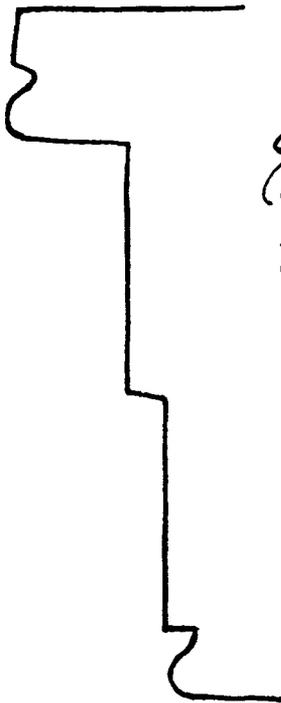




all architraves, part #2  
(also, mantel pilasters)



all architraves, part #3  
(also: hall, part #1)



chair rail  
(all rooms except  
parlor, part #1)

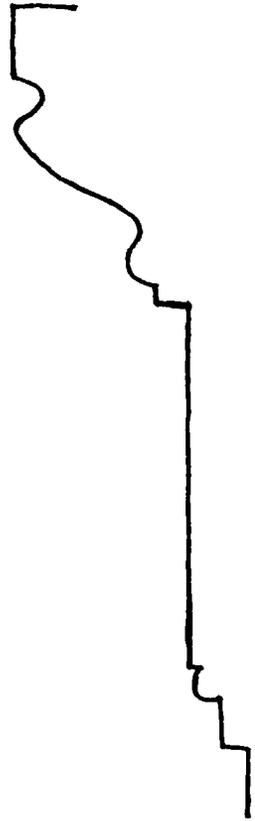


stair  
panelling,  
part #1

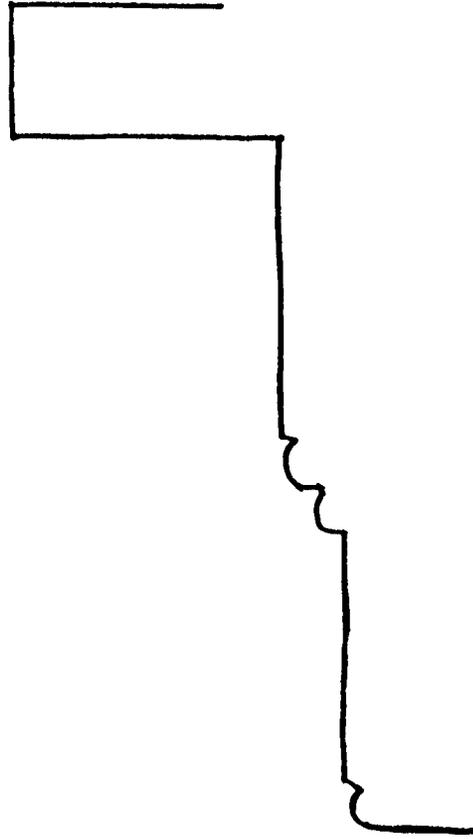
CT-23 Lowry's Reserve



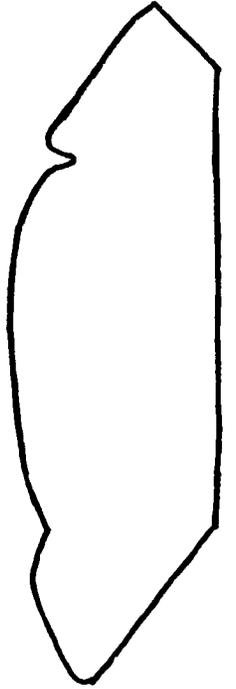
newel post:  
part #2



architraves: parlor  
part #1



original chair rail:  
parlor, part #1



molding  
fragment found  
in crawl space  
under parlor  
part #1



molding for door panels &  
stair railing: part #2

CT-23 Lowry's Reserve  
Walter B. and Doris A. Sheer

Tract 1:

JLB 128: 645

April 23, 1971                      65.58a.

Perry B. and Louise D. Van Vleck

Walter B. and Doris A. Sheer

JLB 120: 267

June 8, 1970                      102.41a.

Mary Jean H. and Benjamin T. Ridgely

Perry B. and Louise D. Van Vleck

123.28a. except 20.87a. tract already conveyed; therefore tract consists of  
102.41a.

Tract 2:

JLB 128: 637

April 27, 1971                      20.87a.

Perry B. and Louise D. Van Vleck

Walter B. and Doris A. Sheer

JLB 120: 261

June 8, 1970                      20.87a.

Mary Jean H. and Benjamin T. Ridgely

Perry B. and Louise D. Van Vleck

Both Tracts:

JLB 73: 472

May 10, 1965

June Garner and John W. Fallen

Mary Jean Ridgely

Land which June Garner Fallen, formerly June J. Garner, and Jos. E. Garner,  
her husband (now deceased) obtained as tenants from Antoinette E. Richardson,  
widow, et. al. (Jos. Garner d. 1965, June married Fallen)

JLB 23: 39

Feb. 21, 1959

Antoinette E. Richardson, widow, &amp; Ruth M. Perry, widow to Jos. E. &amp; June J. Garner.

First: Y. Kent Bowie to Katherine B. Belt (YK Bowie to KB Belt)

July 6, 1920 AAH 4:521 73.6a.

Same land that YK Bowie obtained from KB Belt in her will, will record JW2:83  
(in will KB Belt refers to nephew Yates Kent Bowie)Second: KB Belt to YK Bowie July 6, 1920 AAH 4:507 16.6a.Third: 6.3a.

KB Belt to YK Bowie July 6, 1920 AAH4:507

also Edmund L. Bowie & wife to YK Bowie Aug. 1, 1929 AAH21:569except 90a. heretofore conveyed by YK Bowie, unmarried, to Clarence E. Jones,  
and Anna C. Jones, his wife, Oct. 24, 1951 AWR28:108AWR41:215

Nov. 16, 1954

Y. Kent Bowie to Antoinette R. Richardson

"tracts. . . being at Lowry" (same 3 tracts as in JLB23:39)

AAH4:507

July 6, 1920

(Katherine B. Belt to Y. Kent Bowie)

Katherine B. Belt, Ellen V. Kent, and Violetta L. Bowie were tenants in common in a tract of land near Huntingtown known as the "Harris Farm," being the land of which the late Wm. J. Belt died seized and possessed: they (KBB, EVK, VLB) obtained same by deed from Jos. S. Wilson and John B. Gray, trustees, July 18, 1892 TBT #1:84. VLB is deceased--her heirs: Edmund L. Bowie and Y. Kent Bowie.

Land divided in 3; ELB &amp; YKB get this part:

First begin. Large stone on E. side of public road from Lowry to "Trott's Gate" at the point where a road leaves said public road and, passing through said "Harris Farm", leads to the State Road. . .etc.

16.6a.

Second (begin. same point) 96.3a.

Said tracts being parts 1 &amp; 2 (respectively) of "Division C" of Harris Farm on plat by Parran Duke Sept. 20, 1919

AAH4:519

July 6, 1920

KBB, ELB, YKB (all unmarried) to Ellen V. Kent

140a. Division "A" of Farran Duke's partition of Harris farm.

AAH4:521

July 6, 1920

EVK, ELB, YKB TO KBB  
73.6a. "division B"

TBT# 1: 84 July 18, 1892

Jos. S. Wilson & John B. Gray, trustees, sell to KBB, VLB, & EVK  
250a. "Harris Farm" for \$3500.

In case of Catherine B. Belt & others vs Charles R. Belt & wife, July 31, 1890  
Circuit Court ordered land sold--land sold Oct. 28, 1890

Equity #51 (see equity papers: also; Chancery SS #1 f. 41, and re-recorded  
in Land Records SS #1:42: Copy of mortgage filed April 2, 1884)

April 18, 1856: Wm J & Ellen B. Belt mortgaged to Wm B. Bowie of PG Co.  
property which was ordered sold by AA Co.

Circuit Court April 4, 1853 in case of Mary Kent vs Thos. G. Pratt:  
Wm H. G. Dorsey & Thos G. Pratt, trustees, sold "Harris Farm" to Belt  
for \$5,500 deed dated Jan. 10, 1856.

Chancery SS #1:69

Wm. J. Belt d. 1873

Wm. B. Bowie assigned mortgage to Violetta C. Bowie, Ellen V. Kent, and  
Catherine B. Belt on Jan. 11, 1884

f.72 On May 5, 1888: testimony of Samuel Sprigg Belt, 46, of Washington, D.C.:  
Wm. J. Belt was his father d. 1858

f.76 Aug. 4, 1888; land ordered sold

f.48 Sept. 4, 1884 James W. Hardesty, witness: "The buildings are all  
close together and could not be divided and the farm is so considerably  
cut up by ravines and branches."

Chancery SS #1

- f. 49 Virgil C. Cox, witness:  
Wm J. Belt died upon the farm whereon Capt. Chas. R. Belt now lives,  
near Huntingtown
- f. 51 Mrs. Violetta L. Bowie (dau. of Wm J. Belt) says her father died  
in 1858

Chancery Papers Equity #51:

- Feb. 12, 1887: order of sale printed in Calvert Gazette says Wm J. Belt  
died in 1873
- May 10, 1887 testimony of S. Sprigg Belt: His father died 1858  
widow--Ellen W. Belt--died 5 yrs ago

Sale amounted to \$2500

MD Hall of Records

AA Co. Equity records: microfilm #CR 5442-1

f. 553:

Witness Daniel Kent:

- James Kent died in Balto. Dec. 14, 1852. Mary Kent, James' widow,  
resides on her late husband's estate, Portland Manor, in AA Co.  
all his children live in AA Co.--except one who lives in PG Co.

JK had: 2,600a. in Calvert Co. \$25/a. (in value)  
690a. in AA Co. \$50-55/a. "  
300-400a. in PG Co. \$20-25/a. "

f. 555

Witness Richard Sellman:

Calvert Co. land is divided into 5 farms not adjoining.

f. 556

Personal estate valued at \$71,435.31

f. 557

Wm B. Clagett & Charles Hill sold James Kent 447 5/8a. Hall's Hills  
about 1830

f. 560

April 4, 1853

dower land to be taken out of Portland Manor: rest to be sold

f. 562

sale held at "Hall's Creek Farm"

May 18, 1853 at 12:00 noon

Land offered for sale didn't bring adequate price: some sold later  
privately.

f. 563

Harris Farm privately sold to Wm J. Belt for \$5,500

Land to be sold:

1. . "The celebrated farm called "Hall's Creek Farm" 5 miles from Fair Haven 750a.  
One of the most productive farms in Maryland.  
Small frame dwelling and excellent outhouses."

f. 564

2. "Over the Creek" 500a. adjoining Lower Marlborough
3. "Grahame's Farm" at Lower Marlboro' 462a... "a fine and large brick dwelling"
4. "Hunting Creek Farm" 432a. adjoining Deep Landing 4 miles from Prince Frederick.  
"The steamboats from Baltimore stop there three times a week" Overseer's House.
5. "The farm known as "Harris' Farm" In Calvert Co. containing about 345 acres, about 3 miles from Deep Landing, and 5 miles from Prince Frederick, about 2/5 of the land is cleared and in cultivation and the balance in wood and valuable timber. The improvements are a new and commodious dwelling, and good out Buildings. It adjoins the lands of Messrs. Charles Weems, Jos. Norfolk, and Mrs. George Wilkinson."

Information from gravestone: (on Sheer property-1978)

Jos. Harris d. 1782

Jos (son) b. 1767 d. 1820

Mary d. 1823

Children: Everard Taylor  
1810-1813

Dorcus Bourne  
1817-1818

James  
1805-1826

Martha Ann  
1814-1845

Alexander  
1801-1847

Mackall  
1808-1853

Md. H. or R.

Chancery papers #8441 1848 Calvert Co.

Mackall Harris; executor of Alexander Harris; Uriah Laveille, & Thomas J. Hellen vs James Kent; Administrator DBN of LW Ballard; Ignatius Pike, Francis Neale, & Ann & Edward Reynolds et. al.

Alexander Harris' will: May 7, 1847

exhibit #3: Alexander Harris' inventory: 10 pages filed 15 Sept., 1848  
lots of cloth (3 pages), medicine, household goods

exhibit #4: copy of proceedings

Bromall & Lowry's Reserve--345a. of A. Harris

May 10, 1825: Alexander Harris (John J. Brooké, attorney) came to court

his father, Joseph Harris, died in November, 1821

"sized of a considerable real estate lying and being in Calvert Co."

heirs: Sarah, Mary, James, Mackall, Rebecca, & Martha (last 4 are minors)

Joseph's widow has since died

commission appointed: determined that land could not be divided equitably: Alexander Harris, as eldest heir, elected to take the land approved Oct. 13, 1826 217a.

Daniel Kent & Thos. W. Harris were securities

Alexander Harris was guardian of Mackall Harris

paid Virgil Holland \$40.36 for tuition

June 1826--1st August, 1828

approved by Orphan's Court Oct. 13, 1829

Mackall Harris asked that Alexander Harris' estate be sold to pay debts

March 8, 1831: (also-1832\*)

Alexander Harris was still guardian for Rebecca Harris: <sup>\*</sup> final accounts for Mackall Harris

1829: paid Virgil Holland for Rebecca's tuition

Alexander Harris' land sold to James W. Kent (agent for James Kent)

Maryland Hall Of Records  
Calvert County Deeds C #1

- f. 265  
105a. "Lowry's Reserve"  
May 28, 1801  
L183 15s (sale Price)  
Joseph Slater to Joseph Harris
- f. 300  
Sept. 5, 1807  
Joseph Wilkinson to Joseph Harris  
33 1/2a. "Lowry's Reserve" & "Bromall"  
metes & Bounds:  
begin. in the manor line of the place  
where the SSW line of Bromall crosses  
the said manor line:  
S 20° W 49 perches to main road  
w/main road:  
S 565 1/2° E 40p to a branch  
S 85° E 41p  
NE 28p  
Then N 47 1/2p to the manor line  
w/manor line to begin.

A History of Calvert County, Charles Stein, p. 344

1782 tax assessment Lower Marlboro Hundred

Joseph Harris 150a. "Abington"  
4 slaves  
1 male over 16 11 inhabitants





CT-23  
Lowrey's Reserve  
~~SW~~  
NE

M. Stinson  
11/78



CT-23  
Lowrey's Reserve  
SW

M. Stinson  
11/78



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