

BALTIMORE CITY--COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CDBG SURVEY YEAR:12

SURVEY NO.:B-4172

AREA: Coldstream-Homestead-Montebello (CHM)

MAGI NO.:0441728604

ADDRESS:1638 Carswell Street

CURRENT NAME:

BLOCK:4130 LOT:12

LOT SIZE:16' x 90'

HEIGHT:2 stories

MATERIALS:Brick

CONDITION:Good

OWNER:

ADDRESS:

USE:Vacant dwelling/commercial ACCESSIBLE:

DESIGNATION:

LIBER/FOLIO:



HISTORIC NAME:

DATE:ca. 1885

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):

DESCRIPTION:

1638 Carswell Street, a 2 bay 2 story, with raised basement, freestanding brick house, is located on the north side of the block between Polk and Kennedy Streets in the Coldstream-Homestead-Montebello (CHM) Planning district of northeast Baltimore, Maryland. The facade is covered in formstone. The windows are 1 over 1 and have plain formstone sills and formstone flat arches with a center keystone. The door has a rectangular transom and an arch that matches the window's. The entrance has wood steps. The building has a dentiled metal cornice with decorative end brackets.

SIGNIFICANCE:

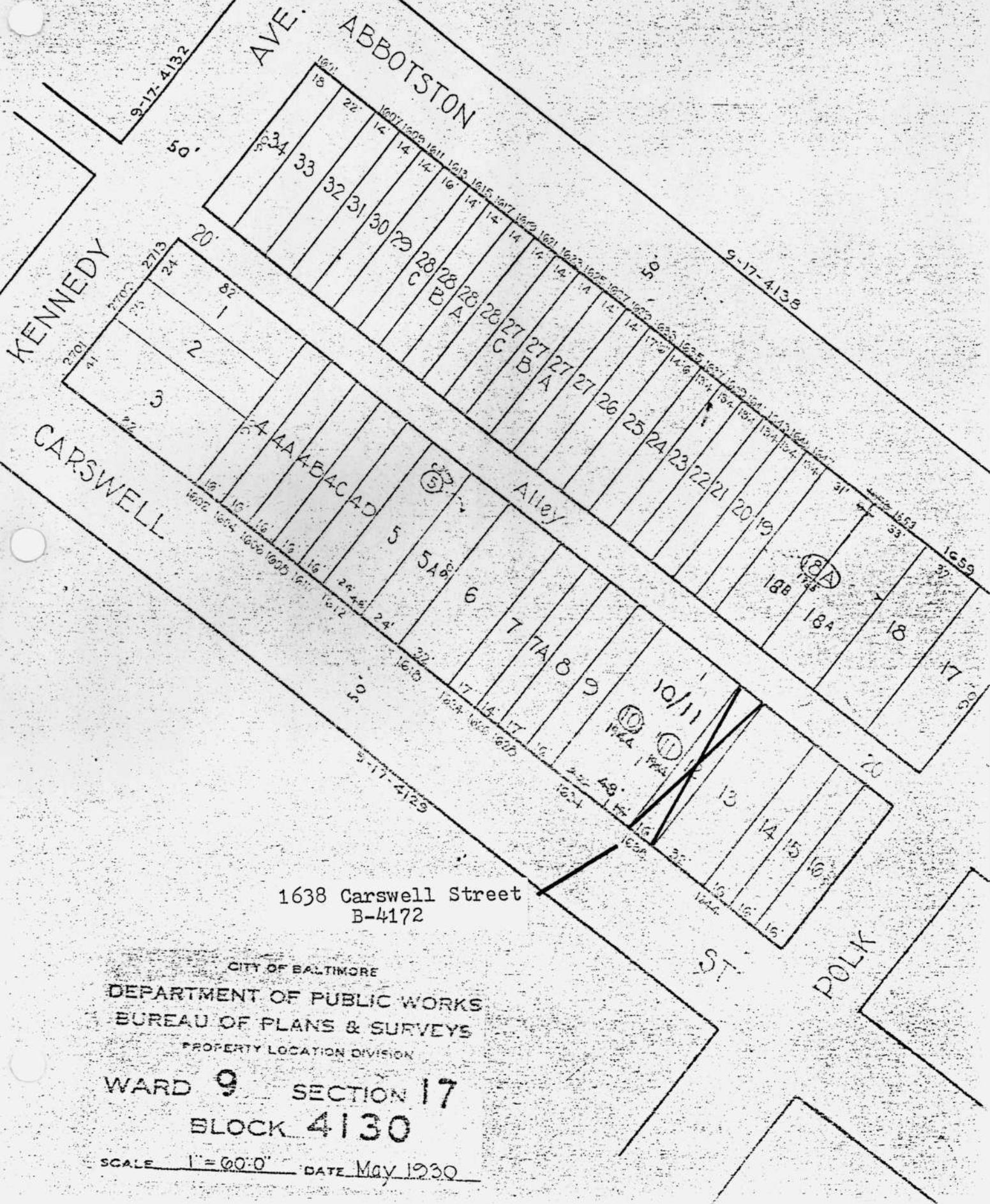
AREA:Architecture

LEVEL:Local

1638 Carswell (originally Washington) Street would be considered National Register eligible within a district of undetermined boundaries. As a freestanding house it contributes to the architectural diversity of its surrounding area. CHM is distinctive among Baltimore neighborhoods for its assortment of building types. The area is not dominated by one distinct structural style, as is often common in Baltimore. This is due to the unsuccessful attempt in the 1850s to establish a suburban community, Homestead. Homestead resulted in only scattered development which was later infilled with a mixture of building types. This resulted in a neighborhood with both suburban and urban building forms, frame and brick structures, rowhouses, duplexes, and free standing houses. Homestead was included in the territory annexed by Baltimore City in 1888. This area is referred to in the 1896 Bromley Atlas as Clifton. A 1928 Sanborn map indicates that at one time this houses was used as a store.

SOURCES:Bromley Atlas, 1896. CHAP Files., Sanborn Map, 1928.

SURVEYOR AND DATE:Mary K. Mannix, October 1987



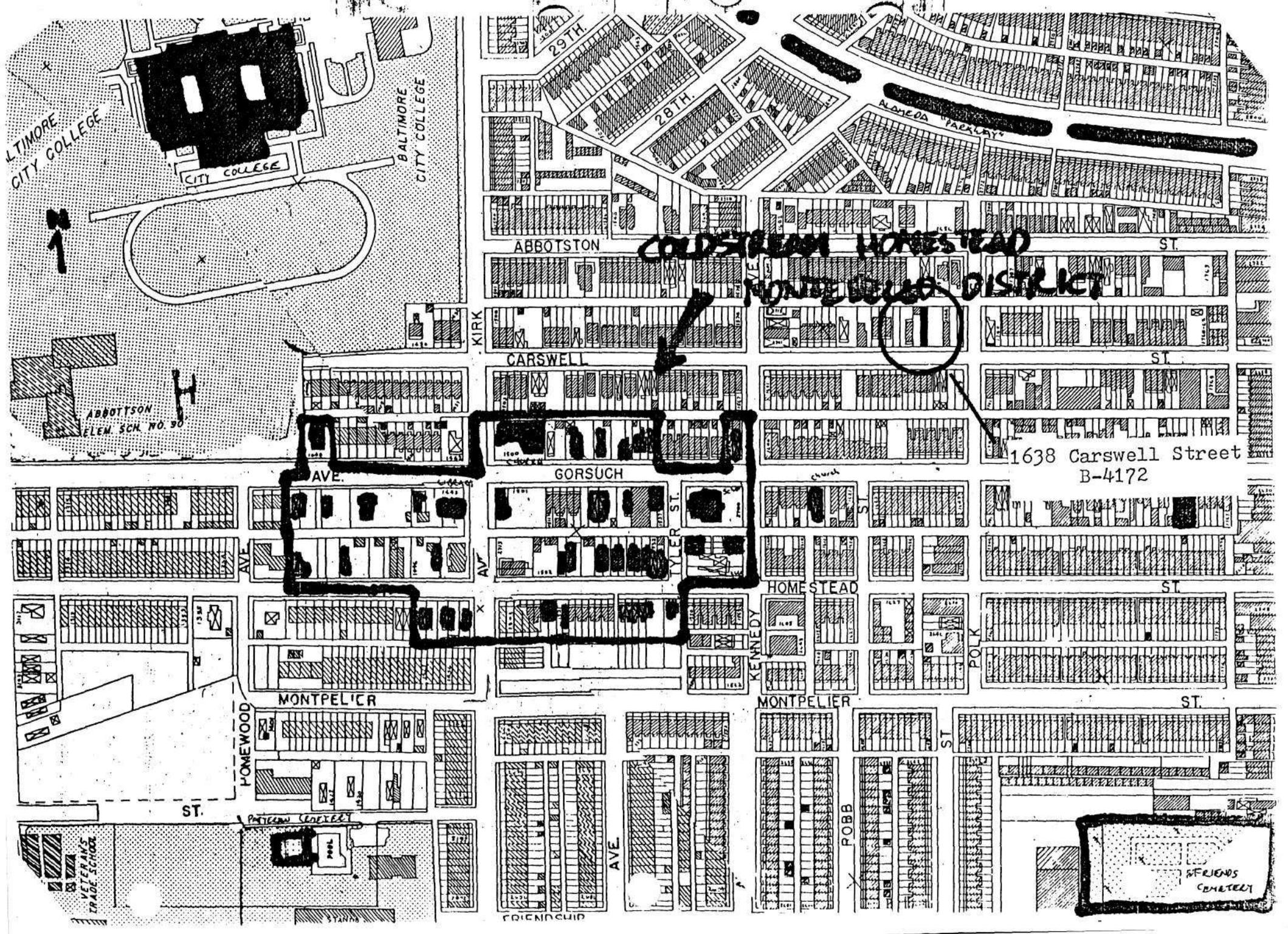
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CITY OF BALTIMORE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
BUREAU OF PLANS & SURVEYS
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WARD 9 SECTION 17
BLOCK 4130

SCALE 1" = 60'-0" DATE May 1930

NATIONAL RESIDUE ELIGIBLE BUILDINGS (INDIVIDUALLY OR AS PART OF A DISTRICT)



BALTIMORE CITY COLLEGE



CITY COLLEGE

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29TH

28TH

ALAMEDA PARKWAY

ABBOTSTON

COLDSTREAM HOMESTEAD

MONTPELIER DISTRICT

KIRK

CARSWELL

ABBOTTSOON
ELEM. SCH. NO. 90

AVE.

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MONTPELIER

HOMESTEAD

ST.

PATRICIA GORDELL

MONTPELIER

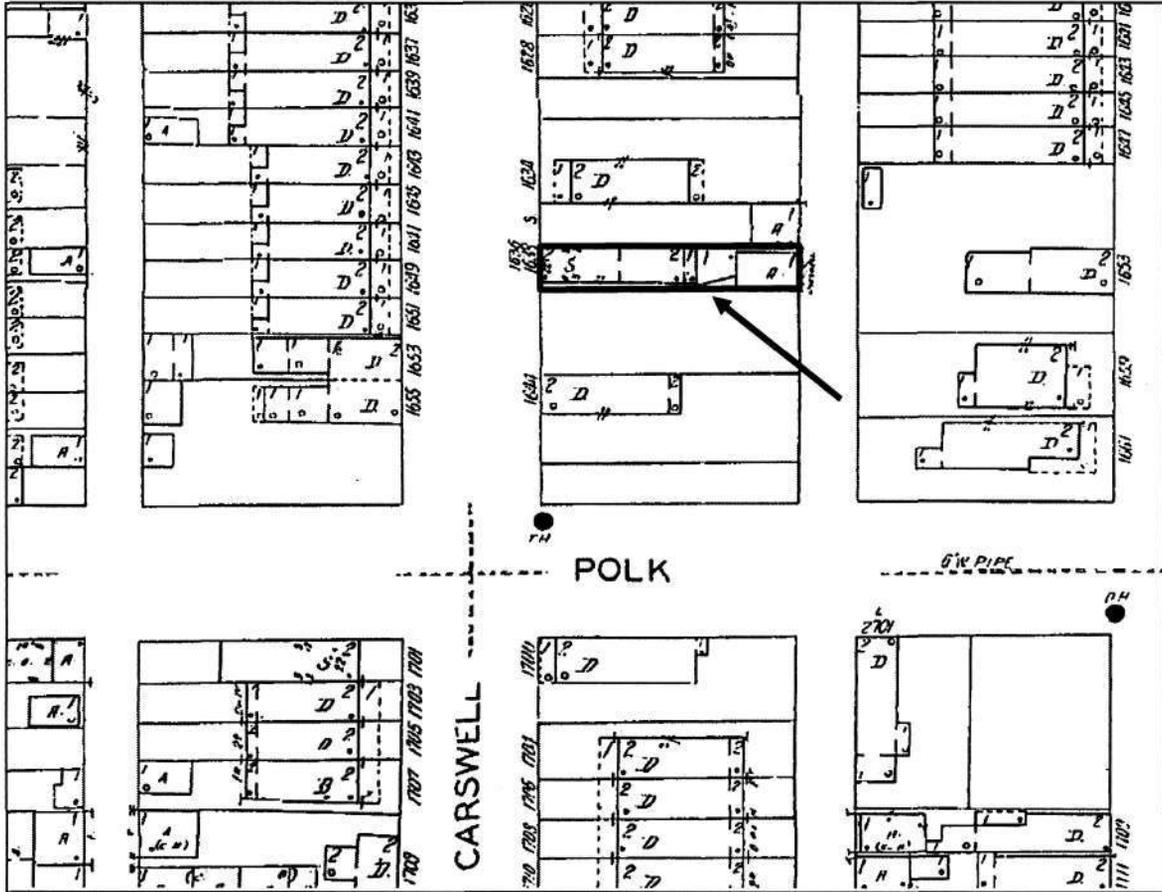
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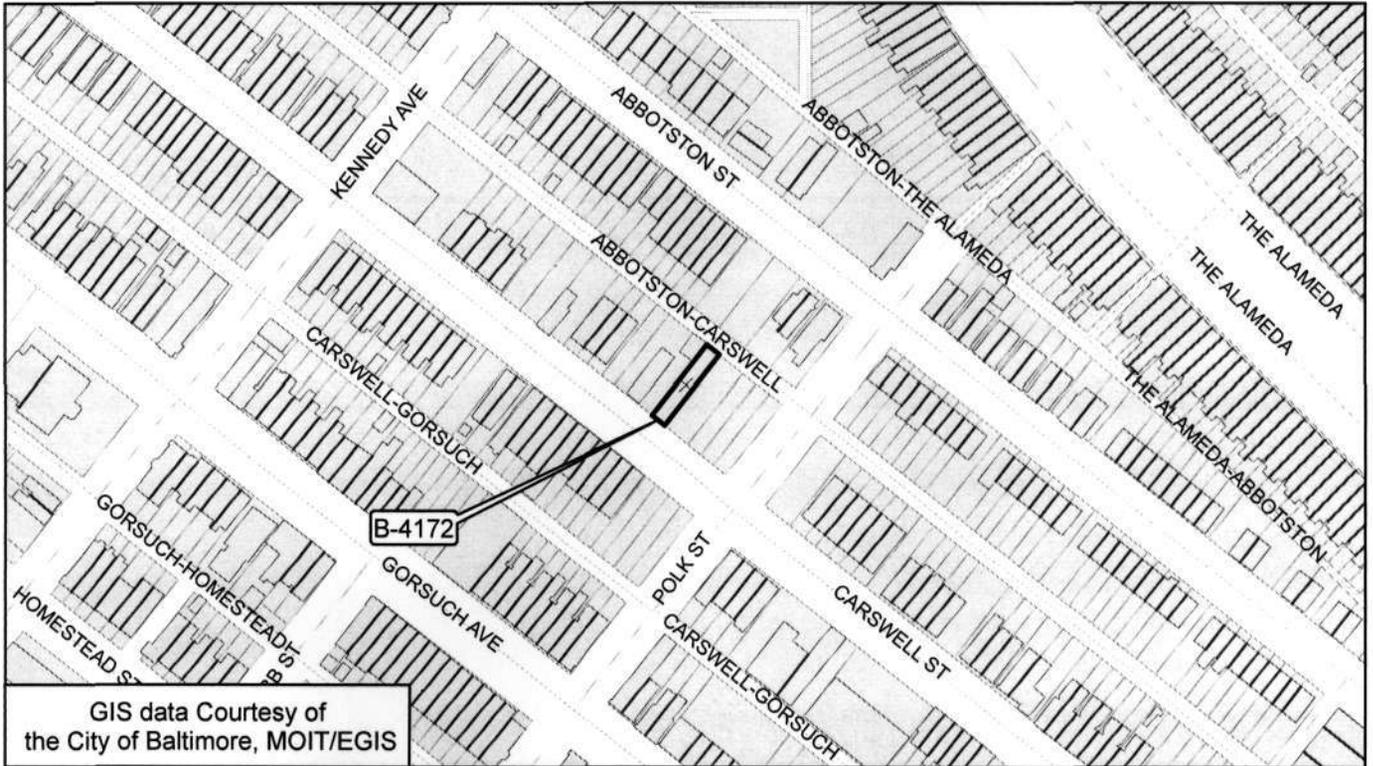
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1638 Carswell Street
Sanborn Map 1928, Reprinted 1953
Volume 7, Sheet 715



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1638 Carswell Street
Block 4130, Lot 012
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.

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1638 Carswell Street B-4172
Baltimore (City), Maryland
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Date: May 1987
Neg. Loc.: Maryland Historical Trust
Southwest elevation