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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC
K.B. Fletcher's Mill
AND/OR COMMON
Upper Cabin Creek Mill

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER (Cabin Creek Hurlock Road)
 South side of Hurlock Public Road, just east of Md. Rte. 16 NOT FOR PUBLICATION
 CITY, TOWN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
 East New Market VICINITY OF First
 STATE CODE COUNTY CODE
 Maryland 24 Dorchester 019

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: Vacant

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Alfred W. Frosch under option to County Commissioners of Dorchester County,
 P. O. Box 26, Cambridge, Maryland 21613
 STREET & NUMBER
 RFD
 CITY, TOWN STATE
 Hurlock VICINITY OF Maryland 21643

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Liber#: RSM 58
 Folio#: 133
 STREET & NUMBER Dorchester County Courthouse
 CITY, TOWN STATE
 Cambridge Maryland 21613

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
 DATE
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
 CITY, TOWN STATE
 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" 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

K.B. Fletcher's Mill is located on the south side of Hurlock Public Road, 200 yards east of the intersection with Maryland Route 16, approximately one mile west of the East New Market Historic District, Dorchester County, Maryland.

Originally, Fletcher's Mill consisted of a two-storey, gable-roofed structure. The outline of this twenty foot by thirty foot structure can be seen in the massive oak sills encased within the frame of the existing structure. The sills, although elevated on brick piers on the south and west sides of the building, are beginning to deteriorate because of their construction close to the mill race and water wheel areas, which have overflowed and cause the ground to become excessively wet in this well-shaded area. Around 1900, a third floor was added to the main structure and a 15', two-storey, gable-roofed addition was built on its eastern side. The shed portion of this addition, the remains of which still exist at the northeast corner, also stretched at a one-storey level along the northern side of the building. This has now collapsed. Remains of the twentieth century saw milling equipment and the water wheel base exist at the northwest corner of the building.

The mill pond and dam are located approximately 150 feet from the mill. Although the mill race is presently blocked off by the Hurlock Public Road, the race is in good condition and could be restored with relative ease.

The original building was clad in 1"x8" or 1"x10" sheathing covered with lap siding. In the 1900 addition, boards were laid at a 45° angle to act as insulation and then covered with lap siding on the exterior. The roof is covered with flat seamed tin. In the 1900's addition, a small chimney pierces the peak of the roof at its eastern eave line.

Entry into the mill is gained through a Dutch door on the southern side of the twentieth century addition. The door, consisting of vertical planks braced by horizontal members has four large strap hinges. Windows throughout the mill had 6-over-6, double hung sash, now mostly broken. On the interior the mill is one large room. Extending along its extreme southern end is a simple stair leading to the second floor, a square brick chimney, and a small shaking mill. The inscription on the mill reads "Imperial Eclipse Hominy Mill, Manufactured by Coombs and _____, Memphis, Tennessee." A door at the northeast edge of the 1900's addition leads outside to the shed addition, now partially collapsed.

Walking into the older portion of the mill to the west, one notices the principal and corner oak uprights, five to a side, measuring 10" x 12", all in excellent condition. The center of the floor is dominated by two large bins and elevators which lead upwards to the second floor. Two smaller bins marked "Baltimore, Maryland" extend along the southern wall. The main power shaft, supported by king posts, extends north to south from the middle of the floor outside the building. Wheels on the shaft vary in diameter from 12" to 28 or 30". Above, a large summer beam runs east to west; painted on it are the words, "Positively No Credit". Numerous elevator shoes marked "W.G. Wolf and Co., Chambersburg, Pennsylvania" are found next to the drive shaft. In the extreme western end, a vertical shaft and wheel ascend into the second floor. Power from the water wheel would have been transmitted via belt to this shaft, which in turn drive the mill stones located on the second floor. More elevator shoes are placed in the southwest corner of the structure. A machine marked "The Cranston Scouring Polishing and Separating Machine, Patented 1885, 1887, 1891" stands next to the vertical shaft. The northwest corner of the building has fallen in, and is thus open to the elements.

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET 1.

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Mounting the steps to the second floor, one reads the printed dates 1860 and 1865 on the stringer near its beaded edge. Directly to the south of the stair is a double-door which could have allowed access for materials lifted from the ground below. Enclosed chutes are located further down the southern edge of the structure. In the northeast corner is a mechanical sifter, now out of place, with the printing "Augustus Wolf and Sons, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania". Next to this is a mechanical grinder which reads "Star Mfg. Co., New Lexington Ohio, No. 4." Numerous small chutes and elevator shoes pierce the floor and lead to the floor above. A summer beam extends the entire length, east to west, and is supported by large oak king posts. A galvanized iron drum sifter on wooden supports sits nearby. Walking towards the mill's western end, one finds three double roller mills all in excellent condition. Each reads "Aug. Wolf Co., Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, No. 754, Patent June 26, 1883 and March 1884." Nearby a bank of elevator shoes runs to the ceiling. A large bin is situated at the western edge of the mill and runs to the third floor. Elevators and additional chutes are placed in the southwest and northwest corners.

The most interesting pieces of milling equipment are located to the left of the large bin. A massive oak crane for moving the top millstone is located next to the stationary stone, still in place and encased in a modern cover. The crane exhibits chamfered edges which terminate in lamb's-tongue moldings. Printed on it are the initials KBF (for the owner K.B.Fletcher) and the following dates (top to bottom on the side near the bin): 1863, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859. Other letters and dates are not legible.

The third floor, within the twentieth century addition, is almost empty and was presumably used for storage. Dominating the central area in the older section of the mill is a set of double mechanical sifters, with the following inscription: "Griscom and McFeely, Philadelphia, Pa. 434 Pat. April 12, 1898, Mar. 27, 1900, May 8, 1900." To power these sifters and other equipment, a drive train runs across the entire width of the mill from north to south. Along the southern wall is a flour dressing machine, which reads "Aug. Wolf and Sons Works, Patent Inter-Elevating Flour Dresser." No patent dates could be found. To the right of the double sifter sits an early electric generator, the most notable parts of which are a flywheel, electric switch and rheostat. A bank of elevator shoes runs north to south. Walking further to the western end of the structure, one finds a scalping machine in the southwest corner, with the lettering "No. 1 Double Sieve Scalper, Aug. Wolf, General, Mill Furnishers, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania." Chutes lead into each scalper from elevator heads from above.

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	
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<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS-GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Except for the brick Higgins Mill (D-90), K.B. Fletcher's Mill is the only water powered grist mill remaining in Dorchester County, Maryland. Although the mill exists today in deteriorated condition, the majority of its structural members are intact. The mill also retains a wide variety of milling equipment dating from the 1850's to the early twentieth century. This group is a well-preserved collection of the mill machinery of this period. (For specifics, see Section 7) The Commissioners of Dorchester County now have an option to purchase the mill and its surrounding lands and plan to restore the structure. Listing on the National Register of Historic Places will represent the first step in the county's preservation efforts, and allow them to begin obtaining needed local, county, state and federal funds for this project.

Research indicates that a grist mill existed in the Upper Cabin Creek area of the county before 1689.¹ This mill was no doubt improved and upgraded throughout the late seventeenth and eighteenth centuries and is indirectly described in many land transactions during this period.² When this area was chosen as the headquarters for Major Joseph Sullivan, Commissary Officer for Dorchester County and charged with provisioning General George Washington's troops during the Revolutionary War³, mills like this provided much of the needed flour.

The first direct link with the early to mid-nineteenth century mill which survives today comes in a transaction in which the mill was purchased in October, 1833 by William Medford.⁴ The purchased "Mill Land" included a number of parcels, including "Addition to Mill Land, 100 acres; 200 acres containing all the Cabin Creek Mill and improvements; 10 acres called "Sandwich"; and a wooded lot of fifty acres. Twenty years later, the mill was inherited by Medford's son Joseph, who left "Sandwich", "Mill", "Medford Chance", and "Addition to Mill Lands" to his daughter, Sarah Medford Dairs.⁵

In 1863 James and Elizabeth Davis sold the property to Kilby B. Fletcher. Two tracts of land, "Sandwich", containing twenty-two acres, and the mill tract of seventeen acres, were purchased.⁶ The initials KBF are found painted on the oak crane in the mill, next a number of painted dates, the earliest being 1856. K.B. Fletcher's saw mill and mill also appear on an 1877 map of the East New Market area.⁷ Fletcher and two subsequent owners operated the grist mill, and a saw mill until 1934.

1. Gloria Chamberlin, The Origin and History of the Mill Land in Cabin Creek, Dorchester County, Maryland, unpublished paper, 1976. Housed in the Dorchester County Public Library, the paper indicates the mill land was included in the original patent to Thomas Pattison in 1671 (16/395). The sale of the land from Pattison to Thomas Wells Millinright in 1689 states "All that parcel of land called Charleston, lying on the East side of the Chesapeake Bay on the South side of aforementioned Branch

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(DESCRIPTION CONTINUED)

that Issueth out of the head of Cabin Creek of Great Choptank River in Dorchester County aforementioned. Beginning at the marked oak standing by the Branch side above the Mill Dam, from thence running up the Branch south southeast eighty perches, to a sapling oak..." (1 Old 180).

2. Chamberlin, pps. 2-7 and I-IV.

3. Charles J. Truitt, Breadbasket of the Revolution: Delmarva's Eight Turbulent War Years, Salisbury, Historical Books, Inc. 1976, pg. 116. See also pps. 4, 5, 9, 138, 139.

4. ER (13-432).

5. WJ (5-326).

6. FJH (5-470).

7. The 1877 Atlases and Other Early Maps of the Eastern Shore of Maryland, (Salisbury, Maryland, Wicomico Bicentennial Commission, 1976), pg. 67.

8. See CL (33-470) and RSM (58-133) for new owners.

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Land Records of Dorchester County; Courthouse, Cambridge and Hall of Records, Annapoli

Truitt, Charles J. Breadbasket of the Revolution: Delmarva's Eight Turbulent War Years. Salisbury: Historical Books, Inc. 1976).

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

All that parcel of land situate, lying and being on the southward side of public road leading from Cabin Creek to Hurlock, in the Hurlock Election District of Dorchester County, Maryland, and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING for the same on the south side of the Cabin Creek to Hurlock Public Road where a stream leading to Cabin Creek Mill Pond intersects the south side of said road, said point also being where the line of division between the Walton C. Bounds (Liber 36, Folio 586) land and the land of Alfred W. Frosch (Liber 50, Folio 250) intersects the south side of the Cabin Creek to Hurlock Road, thence running from said stream and running and binding with the south side of the Cabin Creek to Hurlock Road, in a southeasterly direction 600 feet to a point and to a private road leading to a trailer park or trailer location, thence leaving the south side of the Cabin Creek to Hurlock Road, parallel with the extreme southeastern boundary line of Alfred W. Frosch (Liber Folio 250) in a southwest direction to the land of William T. Hubbard (Liber 190, Folio) thence running with the land of William T. Hubbard in a west and northwest direction to the land of Walton C. Bounds to the south side of the Cabin Creek to Hurlock Road, the place of beginning.

MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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SEE CONTINUATION SHEET #3.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 10.5 acres

UTM REFERENCES

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 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET #4.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

FORM PREPARED BY

NAME/TITLE

Mark R. Edwards, Historic Sites Survey Coordinator

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

September 28, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

301-269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON:
Upper Cabin Creek Mill

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Road to Hurlock, East of Rt. 16

CITY OR TOWN:
Cabin Creek

STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Dorchester

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC	
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	_____	_____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Alfred W. Frosch

STREET AND NUMBER:
RFD

CITY OR TOWN: Hurlock STATE: Maryland 21643

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Dorchester County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
High Street

CITY OR TOWN: Cambridge STATE: Maryland 21613

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): RSM 58/133

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

7. DESCRIPTION		
CONDITION	(Check One)	
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	(Check One)	(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE		
<p>Fletcher Mill is a frame structure located on the road to Hurlock from Cabin Creek. The southern portion of the building is the earliest and is approximately 20' x 30'. Its now three full storys, but was originally two. When the north 15' extension was added around 1900, the roof was raised. One rafter of the original structure roof remains where it joins the extension. Cut nails appear to have been used in the construction of the earliest part of the mill. The existing colar beam is half dove-tailed and pinned. Several of the early turn of the century machines remain intact.</p>		

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

6. SIGNIFICANCE			
PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
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SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)			
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE			
<p>Besides the brick Higgins Mill structure, Fletcher Mill is the only water powered grist mill remaining in the county. The structure is still salvageable and its preservation could be a worthy project for the county in the coming years.</p> <p>"K. B. Fletcher's sawmill is shown in the atlas (1877) on Cabin Creek at the village of Cabin Creek, Upper Cabin Creek Flouring Mill." It was listed with an East New Market postal address in 1887 state directory. The pond survives (1971) on the north side of Cabin Creek - Hurlock Road."</p> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;">(See N.R. Nomination)</p>			

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

McGrain, John, The Molinography of Dorchester County.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

District 15, Map 13, P. 27.
10.5 acres

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Michale Bourne, Architectural Consultant		
ORGANIZATION Maryland Historical Trust	DATE June, 1975	
STREET AND NUMBER: Shaw House, 21 State Circle		
CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis	STATE Maryland	21401

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

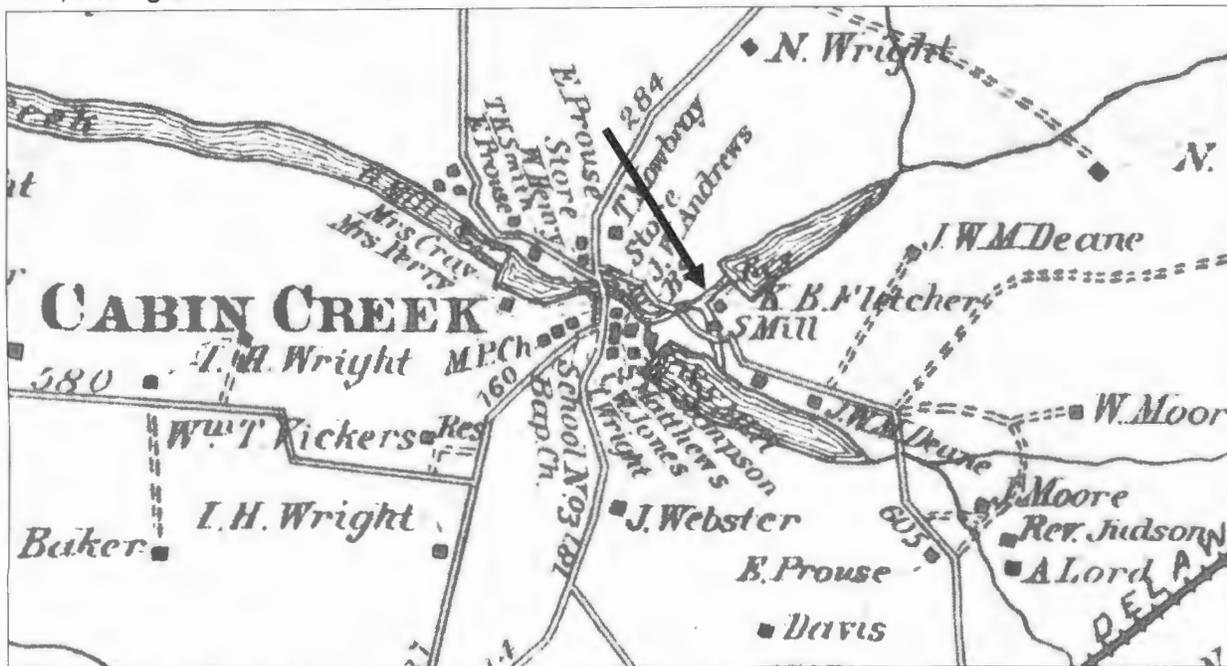
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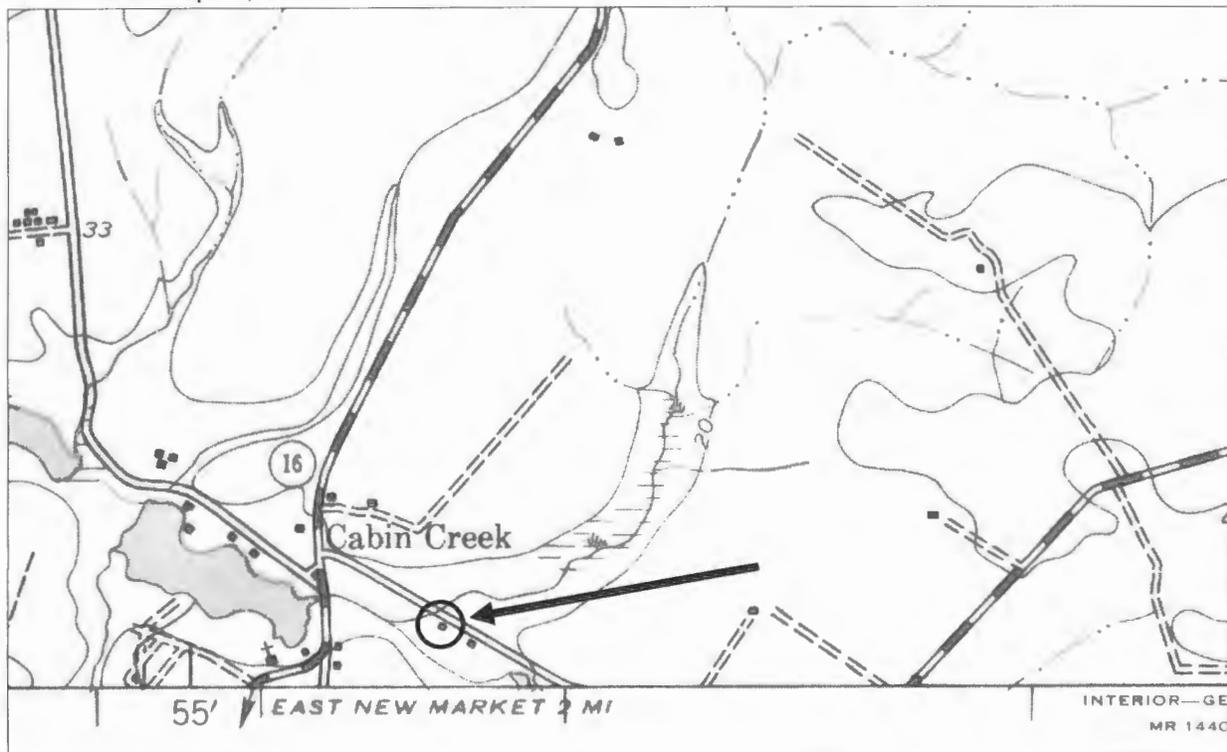
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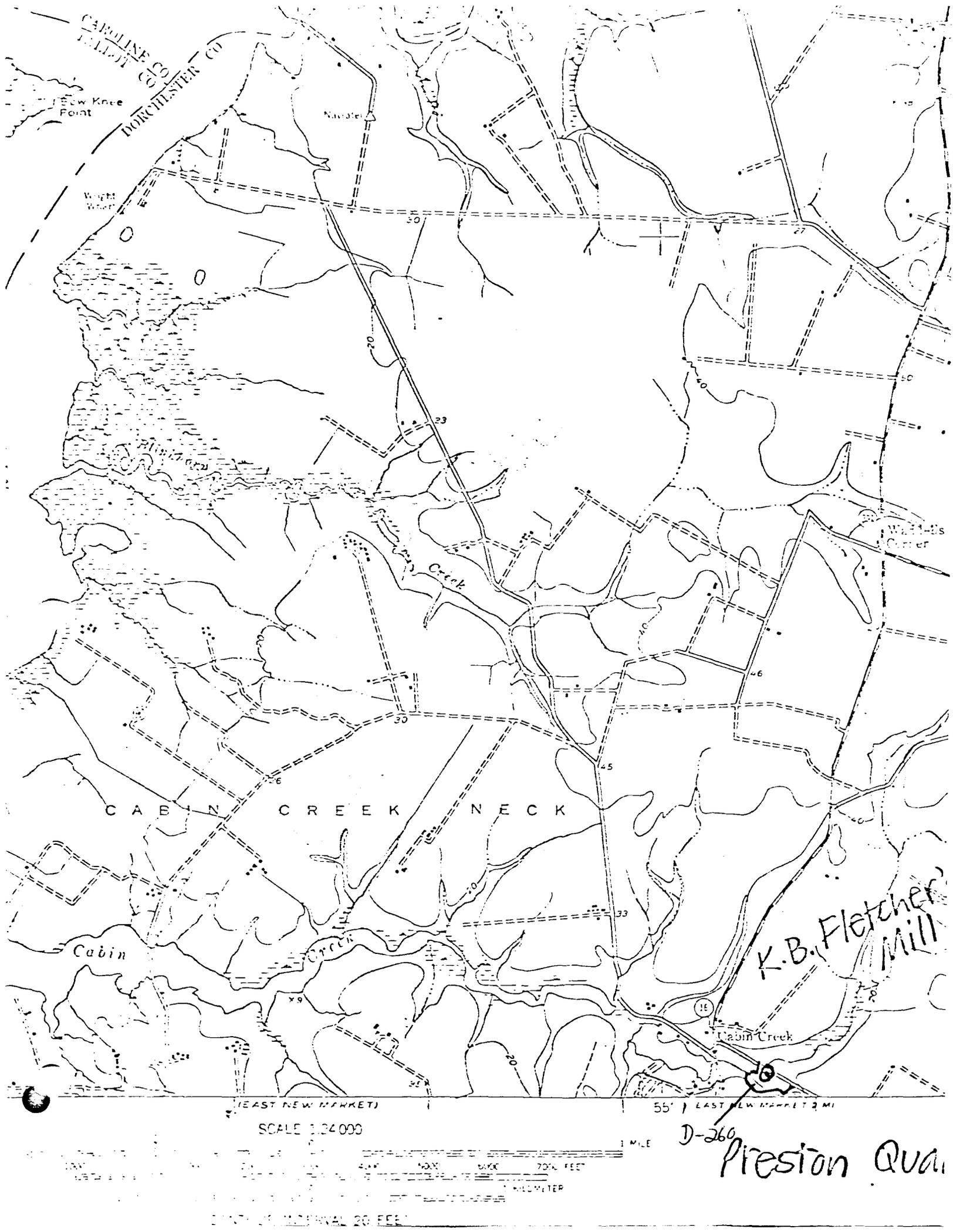
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Upper Cabin Creek Mill, site (K.B. Fletcher's Mill)
Cabin Creek Road, Hurlock
Lake, Griffing & Stevenson Atlas, 1877

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Preston USGS quad, 1944





CAROLINE CO.
FALLS CO.
DORCHESTER CO.

Sew Knee Point

Navatele

North Water

Plum Grove

Creek

Walter's Center

C A B I N C R E E K N E C K

Cabin

Creek

K.B. Fletcher Mill

Cabin Creek

(EAST NEW MARKET)

55' EAST NEW MARKET 2 MI

SCALE 1:24,000

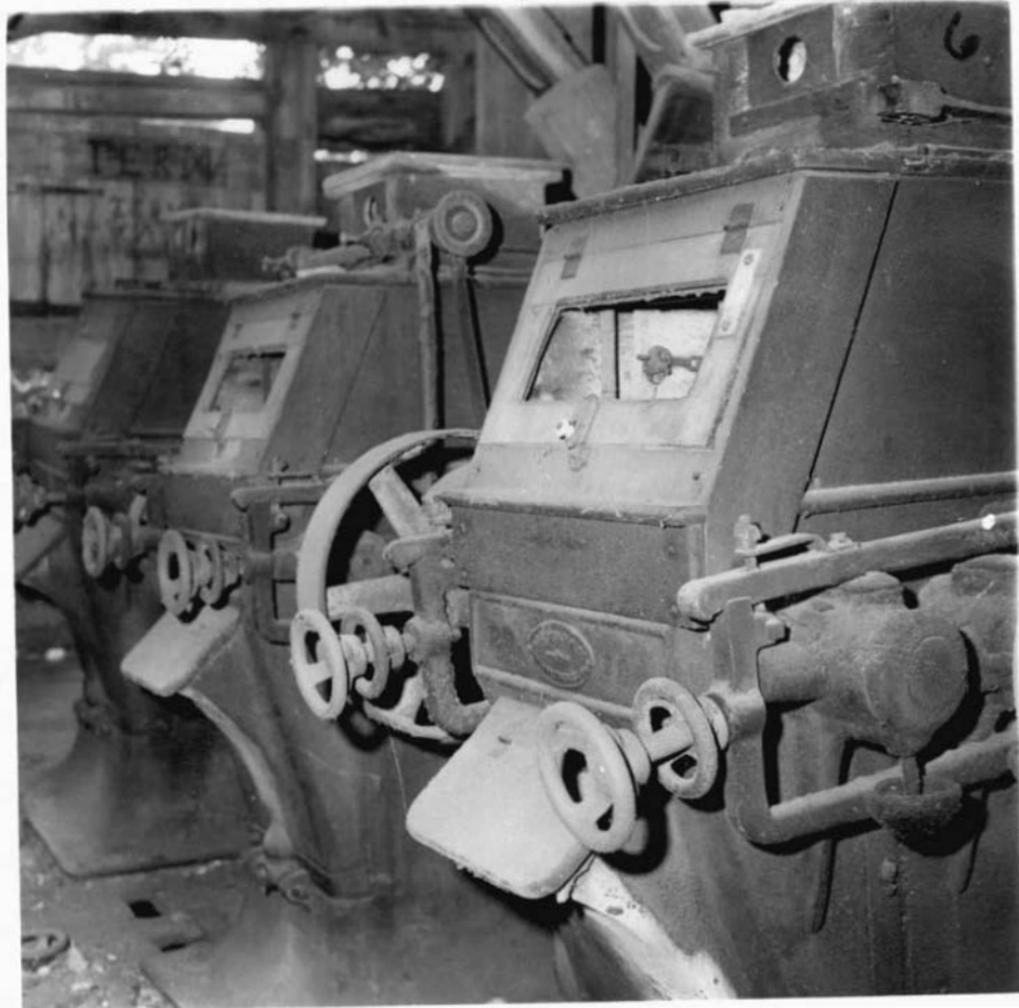
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Preston Quad



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET



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12x1.57

50%

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2 ~~Fletcher Mill~~ or Upper Cabin Creek Mill

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M. Bourne June 1975



K.B. FLETCHER'S MILL

DORCHESTER COUNTY

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MARK R. EDWARDS, April 5, 1977

Double scalping machine, SW corner, 3rd floor.
View from rafters above show chutes, exterior
clapboards and windows.

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K.B.FLETCHER'S MILL
DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND
MARK R. EDWARDS, April 5, 1977
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View of mill from the SW oldest section is to
the left, with the c.1900 addition to the
right



K.B.FLETCHER'S MILL
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Detail of bed stone, SW corner, 2nd floor
of mill.



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DORCHESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND
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Detail of oak crane located near the SW
corner, 2nd floor. Ledgible dates, top to
bottom, printed on the rear of the crane are:
1863, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859.



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Center section of mill, 2nd floor. To left is
galvanized iron drum sifter. Behind this is
located three, double rolling mills, each
with the following inscription:

"Aug. Wolf Co., Chambersburg, Pennsylvania,
No. 754, Patent June 26, 1883, March, 1884!"



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Detail of Stair, located in NE corner,
leading from 1st to 2nd floor, in c.1900
addition.



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Mechanical sifter, NE corner, 2nd floor,

Inscription reads: "Augustus Wolf and Sons,
Chambersburg, Pennsylvania."



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Double door leading into S. side of c.1900
addition. View from SE corner of mill.



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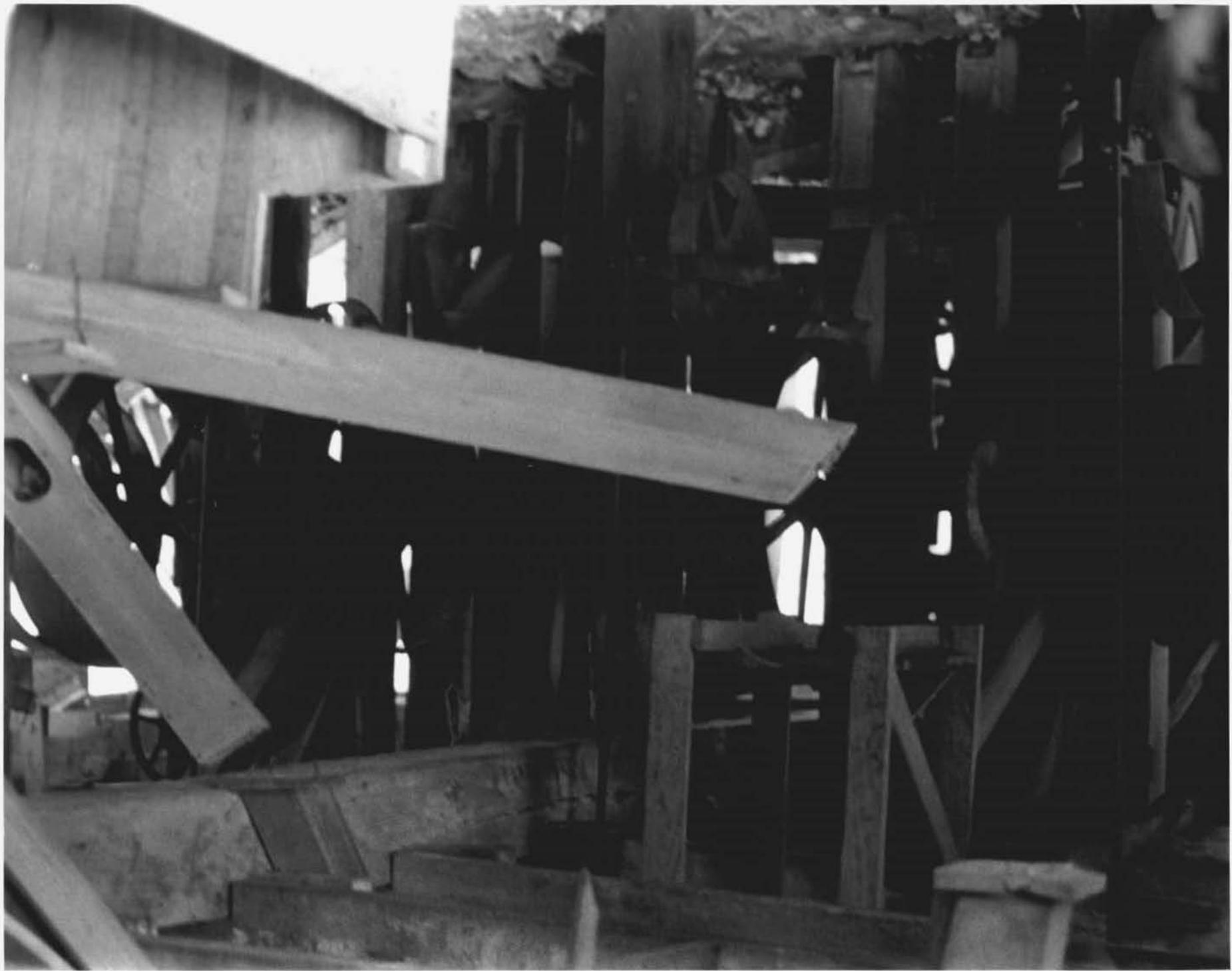
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"Imperial Eclipse Hoving Mill, Manufactured by
Coombs & (?), Memphis, Tennessee", located in
NE corner, 1st floor.

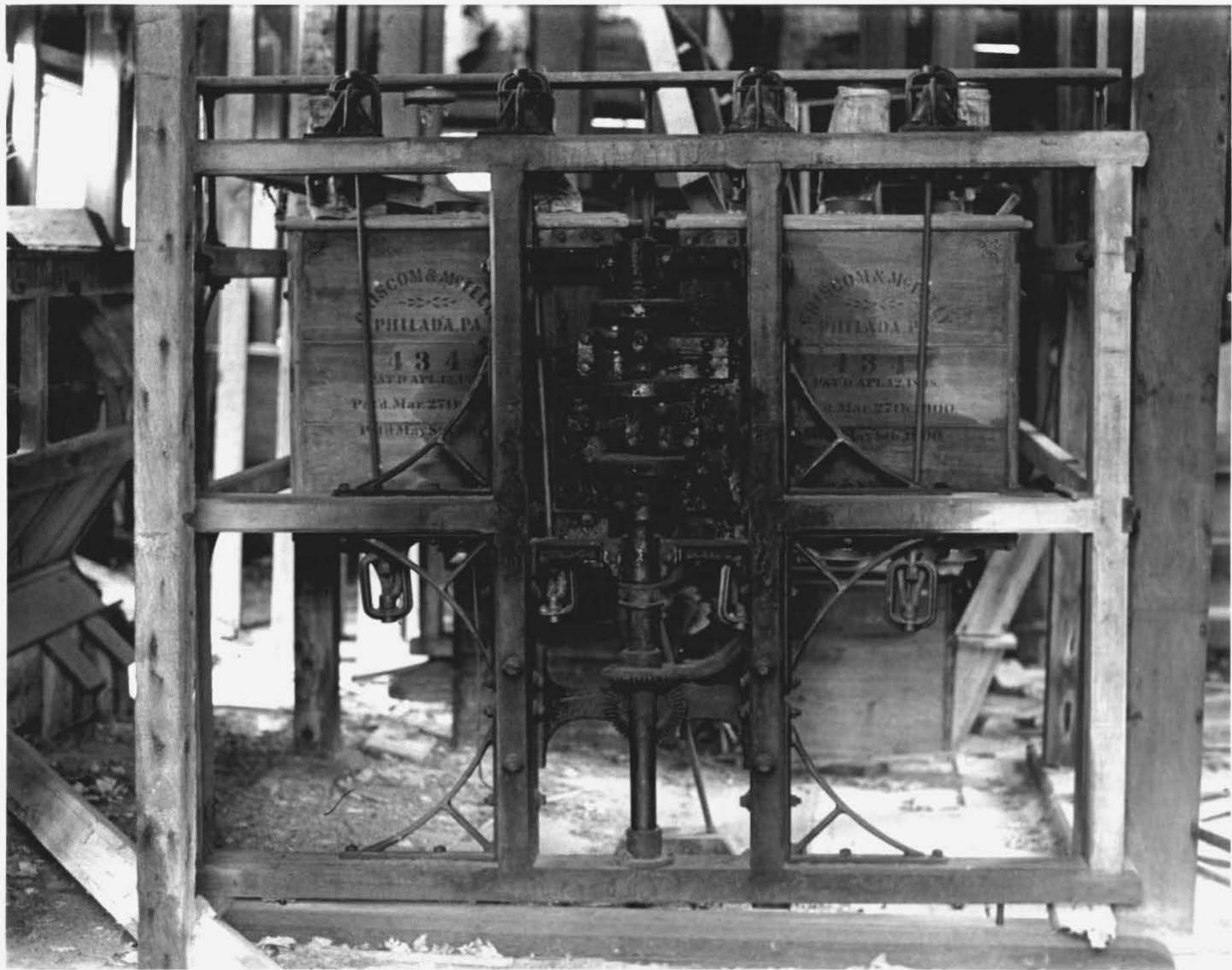


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View looking SW into older portion of mill.
Grain bins are inscribed "Baltimore, Maryland".



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View looking SE into older portion of mill.
View shows main drive train which leads
outside of building.



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Third floor, center of floor. Located here is a
double mechanical sifter, with the following
inscription "Griscom and McFeely, Philadelphia,
Pa., Patent April 12, 1898, March 27, 1900, May
8, 1900."



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Third floor, S. facade, center of mill. To left
is seen a flour dressing machine, which reads
"Aug. Wolf and Sons Works, Patent Inter-
Evaluating Flour Dresser."



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Double scalping machine, SW corner, 3rd floor.

Machine inscription reads "No.1 Double Sieve

Scalper, Aug. Wolf, General Mill Furnishers,

Chambersburg, Pennsylvania."

W. S. COMBS & CO. FEELI
PHILADA. PA.

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MA'D APL. 12, 1898

Paid Mar. 27th. 1900

Paid May 5th. 1900

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Detail of inscription on double mechanical
sifter, which reads: "Griscom and McFeely,
Philadelphia, Pa., 434. Patented: April 12, 1898,
March 27, 1900, May 8, 1900.



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Oak crane for moving mill stone. Initials

KBF for owner K.B. Fletcher are shown on main
shaft. Located near the SW corner, 2nd floor.



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Detail of oak crane, located in SW corner of mill, on the 2nd floor. Initials KBF, for owner K.B.Fletcher are clearly seen. Note also the fine chamfers and lamb's tongue detailing.