

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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HA 341

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Janney Mansion

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Lane that enters from the west side of Priestford Road, (MD 136)
about 0.5 miles south of the intersection with Trappe Road

CITY, TOWN

Darlington

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERICAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

William McDaniel

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Indian Meadow Farm, Box 208 B

CITY, TOWN

Columbus

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

New Jersey

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: GRG 541
Folio #: 522

STREET & NUMBER

40 South Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

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 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

A stately nature is the impression one receives when he or she sees this building. It points eastwards, and consists of a two and one-half story main unit with a two-story addition attached to the southern extreme. The larger unit has walls of coursed rubble stone which are quoined at the corners, the lower eastern facade being stucco-covered. The foundation is entirely exposed on the western side. Overall, the main structure measures five bays by two contains a conglomeration of window types- 6 X 6's, 2 X 2's and a few two Over three-light casements on the eastern facade of the main house. Two pairs of 2 X 2 attic lights are situated on the northern and southern gable extremes of the main unit, while two pairs of 2 X 2 cellar windows run along the northern wall. Small vents are also located on these gable ends. Most of the windows are in frames not indigenous to the house, and all of them are capped with stone lintels. Opposite doors are centered on the eastern and western sides, the eastern one having panelled recesses and evidence of transoms. Cellar doors are also located on the western and the eastern facades, the eastern one being located directly under the front porch. The roof over both sections is gable-flank and slate. Large, peaked Victorian dormers, covered with board-and-batten siding, are positioned on the eastern and western slopes of the roof and each of them contains a double sash, each of eight panes. Facing the eastern exposure of the principal unit, a smaller gabled dormer can be seen to the left of the Victorian pronouncement. It contains a 6 X 6 window and a duplicate is located diagonally from it on the opposite side of the roof. An immense, T-shaped porch engulfs the eastern face of the house. The front section rests on a stone base while the part closest to the structure rests upon brick pillars. This shelter is five bays across, the chamfered columns being paired (in threes on the corners), and the flat roof is supported via curved braces and brackets. Two inside-end chimneys are stationed at the gable extremes of the building. They are brick and quite unique, being embossed with panels and grooves and possessing corbeled caps. The southern wing has the same type of wall and roof construction, and is two bays by two. Most of the windows are 6 X 6, but this unit features more Victorian bric-a-brac than does the main unit. A door/window is located on the eastern side, with a hooded balcony with a latticed rail before it. A two-tiered latticed porch is located along the southern wall near the southwestern corner. Projecting from the southern wall also is a three-opening bay window, with 2 X 2 panes over three-light casements. This structure is covered by a five-hip roof. Separate entrances are on the eastern and western sides, and there are also doorways leading to both levels of the porch on the southern side. A chimney of the same configuration as the other is located on the interior ridgeline of this section.

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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	
<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 checked="" 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

This property originally housed a furnace, condemned in 1719 by the Nottingham Company. The company possessed the tract until 1781, when the 1780 Act allowing for the confiscation of former British property brought it into the hands of Josiah Lee. The 1783 Tax List shows Lee as having 6 acres of Maiden's Choice, 200 acres of Planter's Paradise and 10 acres of Freeland's Mount. The 1798 Tax List shows Lee as having an 18 x 33 single-story frame house with wooden kitchen, henhouse, shed, privy and stable structures. John Stump acquired these and other contiguous properties in the first decade of the Nineteenth Century and his descendants held the parcels until 1862. The house has a number of Victorian embellishments, but its construction probably was undertaken within the first half of the Nineteenth Century. There is a possibility that the smaller wing could have been added at a later time, as it contains most of the Victorian features. This dwelling could be the handiwork of John W. Stump, serving as the main house while HA-342 was used for tenant quarters. Bits of local lore declare that this home was a terminal of the Underground Railroad, with a tunnel leading from the cellar to Deer Creek. When the house was owned by the Janney family, one or more murders between "lovers" allegedly occurred. The 1878 Martenet Map shows the owner at that time to be J. H. Janney, and also shows Husband's Flint Mill to be nearby, although not on the Janney property per se. In 1877, Mrs. C. S. Janney was a charter member of the Indian Springs Grange.

DATE OF PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE _____
 DATE OF CONSTRUCTION _____
 DATE OF REPAIRS _____

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Harford County Directory- 1953
Harford County Land Records
Federal Tax List of 1798
Martinet's Map of 1878
Maryland Tax List 1783 Harford County, 1970, Rhistoric Pub., Philadelphia.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The tract is bordered to the north most of all by the Knight Farm, to the south by Deer Creek, and to the east by Maryland Route 136. The entrance is on the western side of this road, 0.5 miles south of Trappe Road.

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paul L. Penrod / site surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

September 15, 1976

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

267-1212

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

Janney Mansion- Interior

The state of the inside of this house is very sorry indeed, as it has been abandoned for some time and moisture has been allowed to destroy some of the wall surfaces. Before alteration, the main unit had a thru-hall arrangement with the stairs there and a large room on either side. Most prominent are the white marble fireplaces in either room, with scroll and leaf patterns on the spandrels. Unfortunately, the cartouches have been removed. The wing is even in poorer condition, with the most notable feature being the room containing the bay, where there is also a fireplace and an old wrought-iron ceiling fixture. Back in the main unit, indented alcoves flank the fireplace on the northern extreme, and there are matching fireplaces on the second floor.

The nearby outbuildings are part of Indian Spring Farms. Most of these were constructed around the time of the First World War, but the feed barn and dairy shed merit mention, as both resemble farm architecture of continental Europe. The barn is of brick-tile, with a wood shingled roof, and appears to be a castle since there is a silo at each corner. The dairy building is built into a slope and is of the same materials as the barn, with an extremely steep pitched roof, similar to a French style.

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TITLE SEARCH

<u>Libre</u>		<u>Folio</u>	
GRG	541	522	In 1959, Charles W. Collier imparted 860 acres to William K. McDaniel.
GCB	293	173	In 1946, Charles Wood Collier received Indian Spring Farm, of 536 acres and 18 perches, from Elsie J. Symington.
DGW	195	387	Olin H. Hoffman devised the same acreage to Donald Symington and Charles J. Symington in 1926. It consisted of tracts called Bennett's Prospect, Stump's Prospect, Jonathan's Inheritance, Rich Point, Planter's Paradise, Maiden's Bower, Freeland's Mount and Addition to Thomas Beginning.
JAR	130	16	John D. Worthington sold the parcel to Olin H. Hoffman in 1909.
WSF	102	17	B. Howard Hamman transferred the property to John D. Worthington in 1901.
WSF	99	25	John L. Dawson conveyed the tract to B. Howard Hamman in 1900.
WSF	91	374	Thomas S. Janney, trustee, and Caroline S. Janney sold the tract to John L. Dawson in 1897.
ALJ	50	242	John H. Janney, trustee, transferred the property to the Banker's Telegraph Company in 1883.
ALJ	37	272	In 1878, John H. Price, trustee, conveyed 549 acres to John H. Janney, trustee.
WG	13	322	In 1862, Thomas Symington obtained 548 $\frac{1}{4}$ acres and 28 perches from Herman Stump.
WG	13	321	In 1862, Stevenson Archer, trustee, imparted the land to Herman Stump.
Will SR	1	241	This 1819 testament of William Stump left the farm to John W. Stump.
Will SR	1	84	In 1816, the will of John Stump left the property to William Stump.
Patent JB	A	179	1. John Stump patented Stump's Prospect in 1812.
HD	P	583	2. Josiah Lee conveyed 217 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres to John Stump in 1802. The land consisted of 217 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres of Planter's Paradise, 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ acres of Mountain, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres of Simmon's Choice and 9 acres and 33 perches of Maiden's Bower.
HD	S	43	3. In 1805, John Bond, sheriff, sold the land of John Stump to Josiah Lee; 200 acres of Diamond's Rich Point, 40 acres of Maiden's Bower, 80 acres of Come by Chance, 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres of Bennett's Prospect and 100 acres of Jonathan's Inheritance.

Libre

Folio

HD P

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In 1801, John Stump received 50 acres of Freeland's Mount from Henry Watters, executor for John C. Jenkins

An Act of Assembly of 1780 allowed for the confiscation of British property- "December 12, 1781 of the Nottingham Company's lands to the said Josiah Lee, the Nottingham Company's title under the Act of 1719 for condemnation of iron forges, the Court of Chancery records JR 4 96 of 1747."

INVENTORY NO. 341 ELECTION DISTRICT _____
 DATE: 9-1-76 TAX MAP NO. _____
 REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor PARCEL NO. _____
 NAME OF PROPERTY: JANNEY MANSION
 LOCATION OF PROPERTY: PRIEST ROAD RD
 DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: EAST
 NAME OF OWNER: _____
 ADDRESS: _____

STORIES: 1 [] 2 [] 3 [] 4 [] 5 [] 6 [] BAYS: addition 2x2
 WINGS, ADDITIONS: double deck 5x2
long of 3rd level - on southern
addition

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

*main house
two stories
front of house*

[] FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
 [] BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
 [] STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
 [] LOG curved

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE - limestone also on front of main house

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK casement are 2 over 3 - 67 casement

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: Flint-leaf windows on E. side 1/1 [] 2/2 [] 6/6 [] 9/6 [] 9/9 [] other []

2- 8-pane attic on N. + S. ends of main house pegged [] nailed [] wide [] narrow []
 original [] replaced []
 1 on E. side of add. 1 on W. side of 5 main second pane
 Transoms

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: 2 on S. side 1 on E. side of house under porch

HARDWARE: original [] replaced [] aluminum

FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: original [] replaced []

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, MANSARD, FLAT, DORMERS 1 6x6 gabled dormer on E. side of main house

MATERIAL: wood shingles slate, tin, asphalt original [] replaced []

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed [] hip [] gable [] balcony with hood, lattice rail

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER _____ BRICK [] STONE [] CORBELED [] original [] replaced []
 LOCATION: ground & tapered

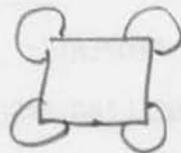
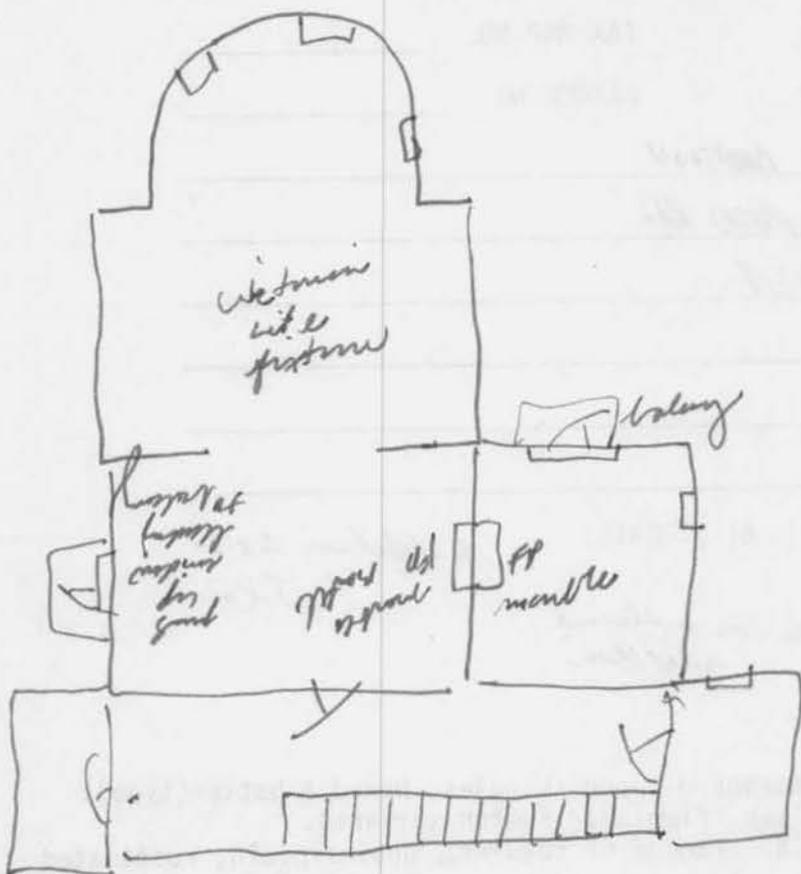
ARCHES:

COMMENTS: 24 in pane. lattice rail gables covered with
near SW corner board-lattice siding
2 pane 3-42 arched window
2x2 of windows
N. side of house

*resting
columns
3
painted
columns
covered
brackets
ground
brackets*

marked with dome site

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tile
ceramic unit
or to be
covered top
wood shingles
dome pole
E + W

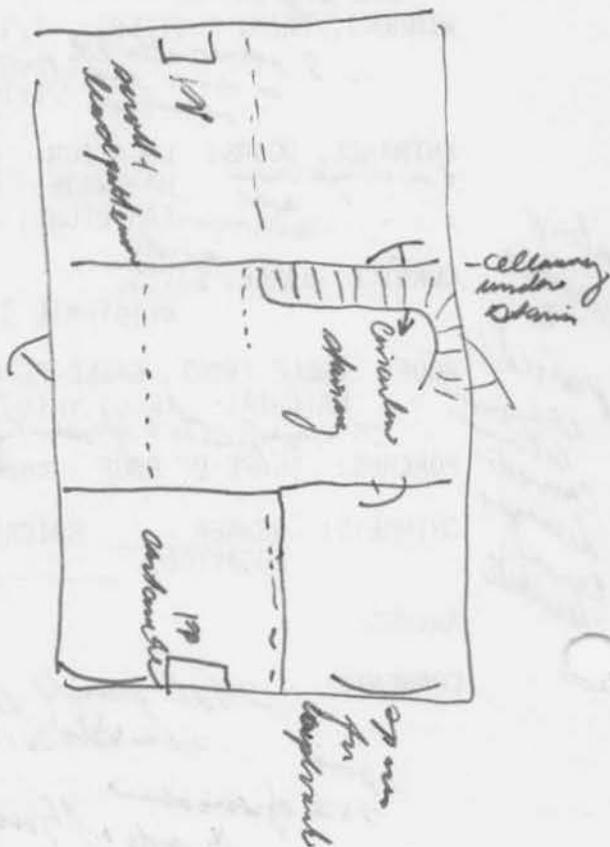
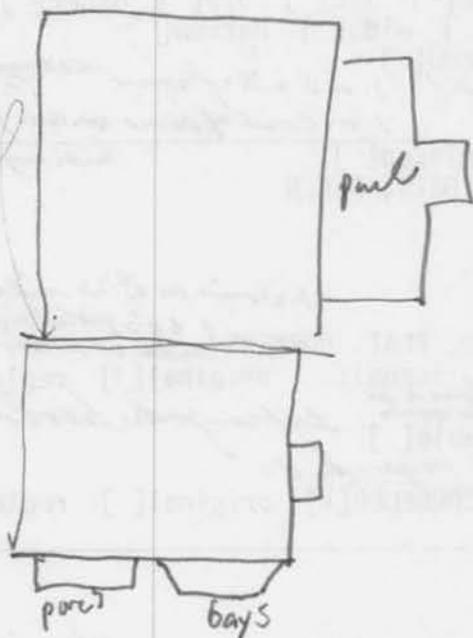


mill house
shy steep
gabled roof

5 second floor
gabled



a tunnel existed
from the house to the
creek - underground railway?
terminates

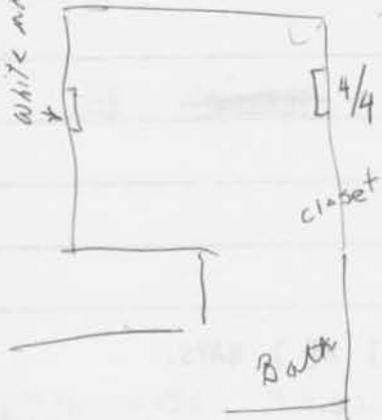


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2

4 1/2
panel
doors

white marble FP



4/4

closet

Bath

VICTORIAN
Lt. fixture

6/6
window
double
doors

3 1/2
CASEMENT

Kitchen

2 lights
over
3 casements

2

Marple
WINDOW
SILLS

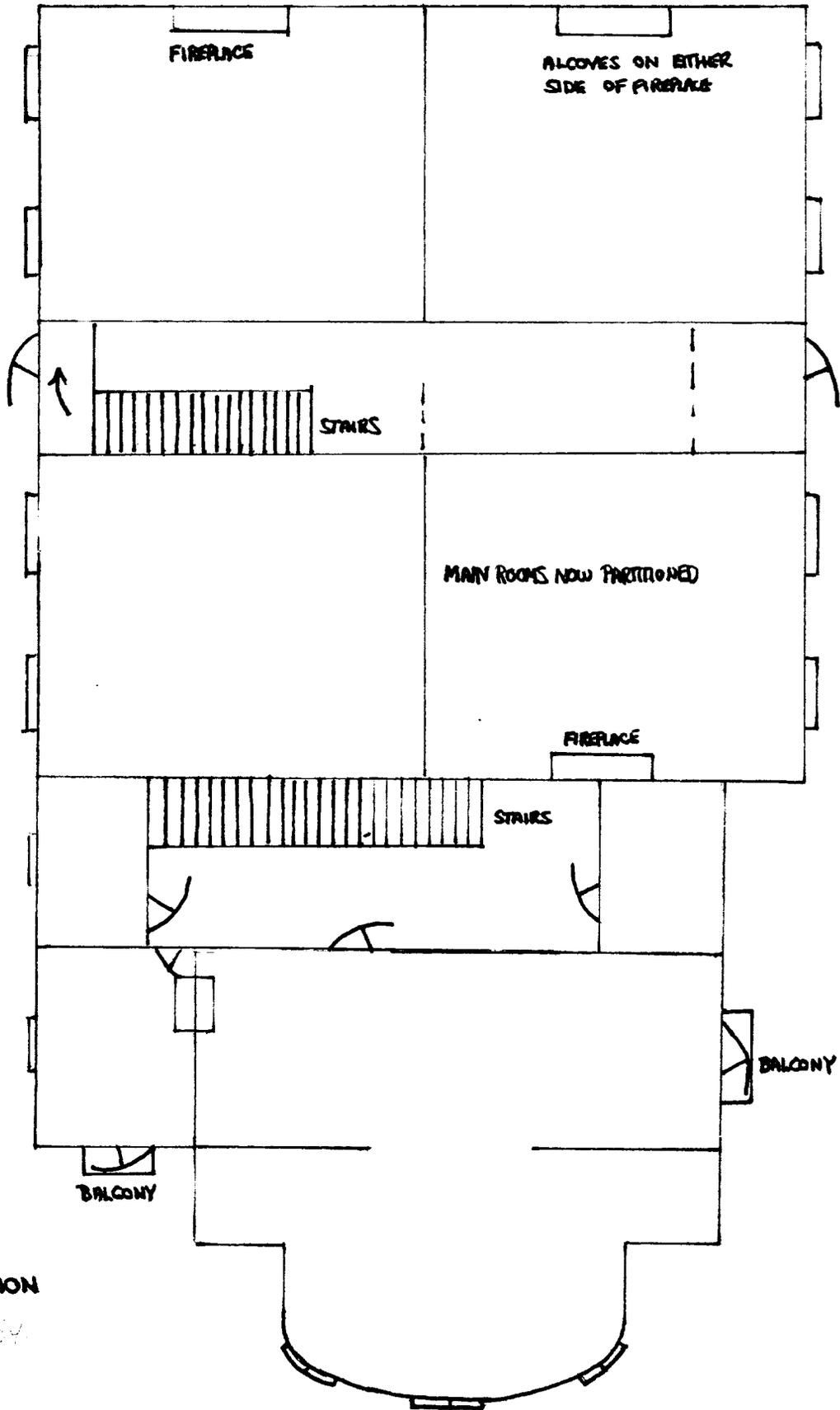
Br.
+
yellow
f.p.

clo
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fancy
LATTICED
two tier porch

5 Hip roof over Bay area



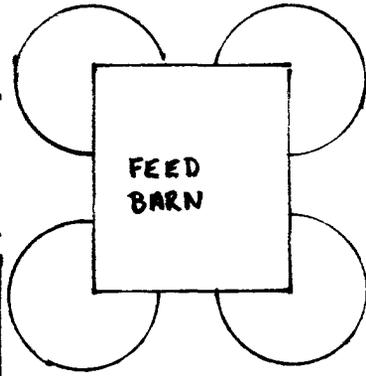


JANNEY MANSION

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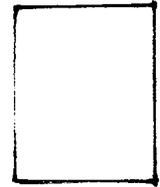
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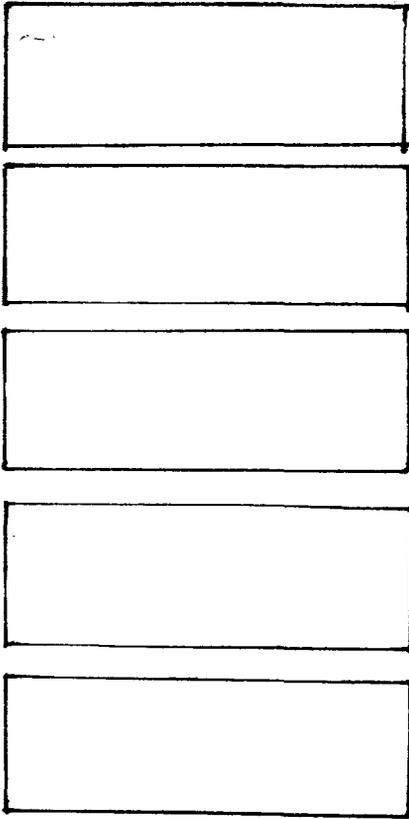


FEED BARN

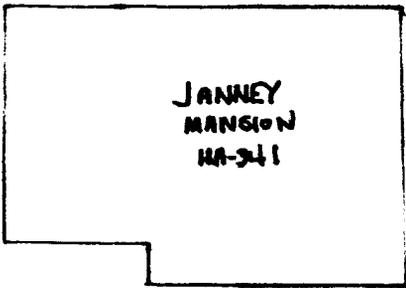
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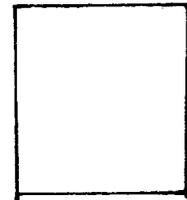
TENANT HOUSES



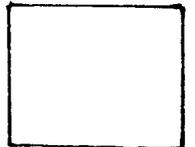
DAIRY BARNS



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LAYOUT OF INDIAN SPRING FARM





Janney Mansion HA-34E

Darlington, MD

Southeast

Susan M. Deeney 7/76