

WO-252
Goodman's Clothing Store
Snow Hill
private

1893

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: Goodman's Clothing Store

MHT Inventory Number: WO-252

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

1) Historic Period Theme(s):

Architecture, Economic

2) Geographic Orientation:

EASTERN SHORE

3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

1870-1930 INDUSTRIAL / URBAN DOMINANCE

4) Resource Type(s):

1. Standing Structure

a. STORE

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common GOODMAN'S CLOTHING STORE

2. Location

street & number 110 Green Street not for publicationcity, town Snow Hill vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" 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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" 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"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Worcester County Courthouse folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. WO-252

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

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

The Goodman's clothing store stands on the north side of Green Street in the center of Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland. The two-story building, consisting of contrasting nineteenth-century commercial structures, faces southeast.

Erected during the few months following the August of 1893 town fire, these two commercial buildings, contrasting in height, detail and brick color, were joined on the first floor around 1924 as a single shop space, whereas the second floor has remained separate. Covered by flat roofs of differing height, each is disguised by a parapet.

The eastern half of the two-part store is the tallest structure on the north side of Green Street and was assembled in beige-colored brick that contrasts with the consistent red brick facades of the adjacent structures. Although the first floor has been completely reworked, the second floor has remained unchanged with three single-pane sash windows topped by heavily molded continuous round brick arches. The window wall is set in slightly from the outside corners of the building which are marked by long, rectangular molded panels. Stretching above the windows is a row of corbelled decorative brick. The upper part of the commercial front is embellished with four medallions of molded brick, and the building is topped by an enriched metal cornice. Featured at each end of the cornice are blocks topped by urn-like finials.

The western half of the clothing store is a less elaborate three-bay red brick facade with a remodeled first floor. The second floor has not changed appreciably with three two-over-two second floor windows topped by segmental arches. Marble sills remain with each window as well, and the window header is incised with a delicate line decoration. Finishing the top of the wall is a decorative pattern of corbelled brick that serves as the cornice.

The first floor interior has been reworked. A large segmental arched doorway was introduced through the party wall around 1924 when the two commercial buildings were joined as one store.

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 type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1893 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

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

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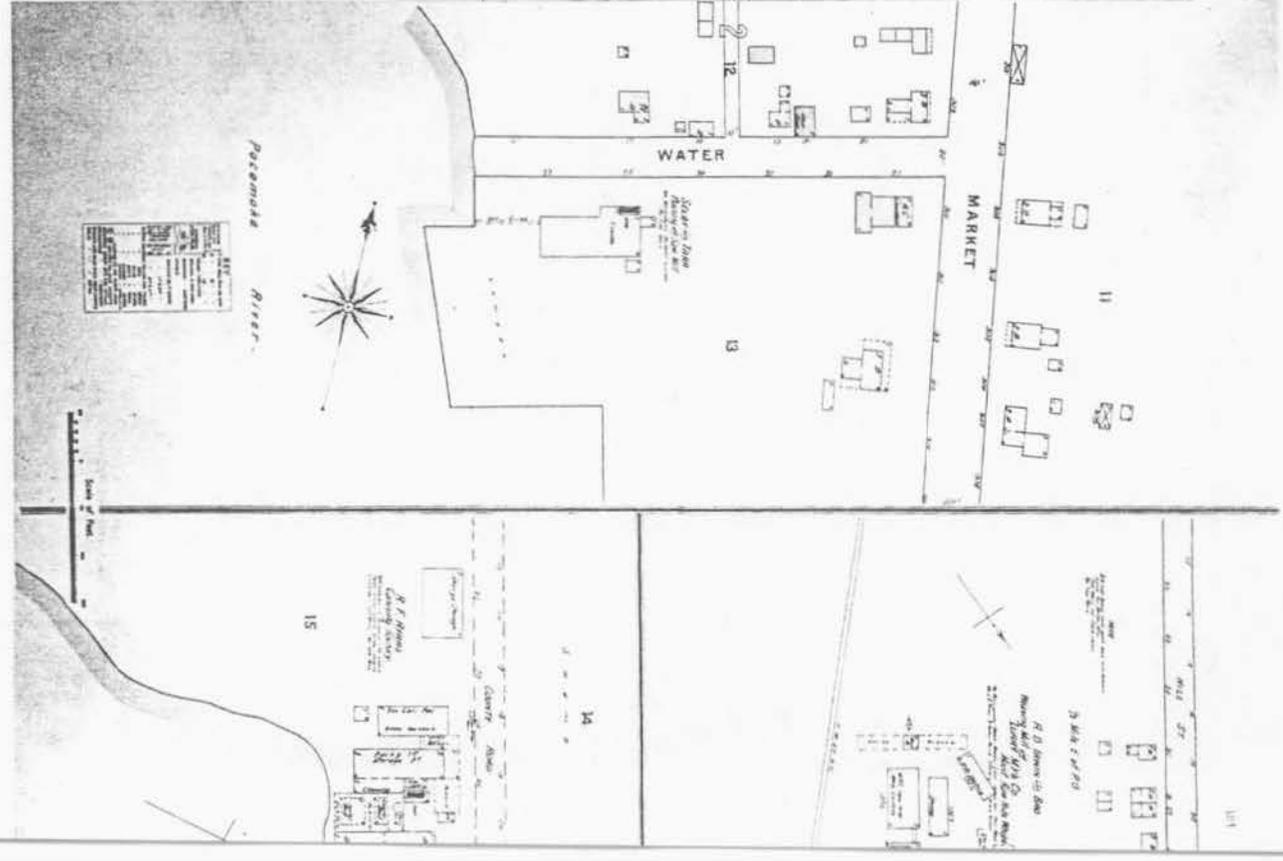
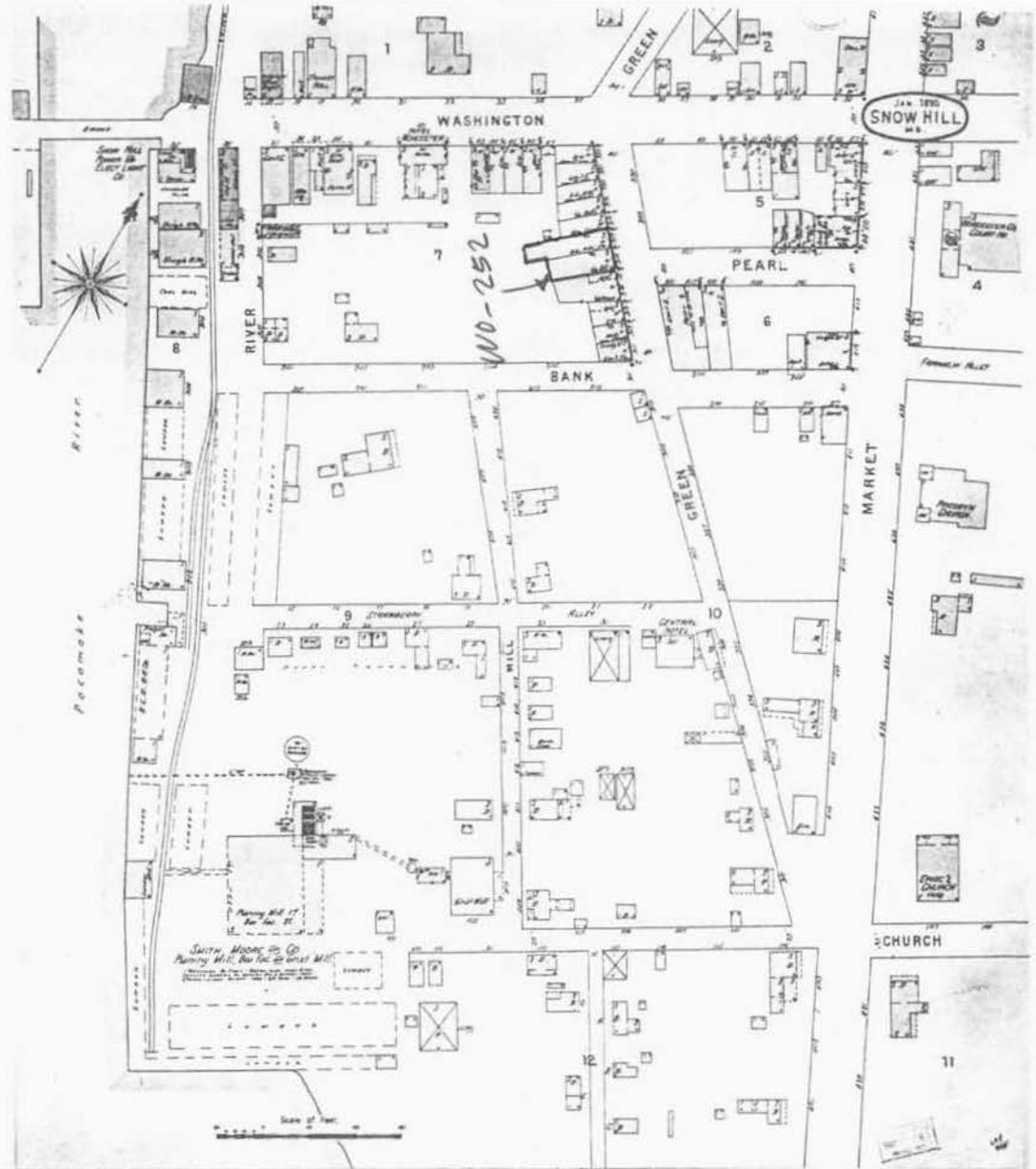
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1877 LACE, GRIFFING AND STEVENSON ATLAS

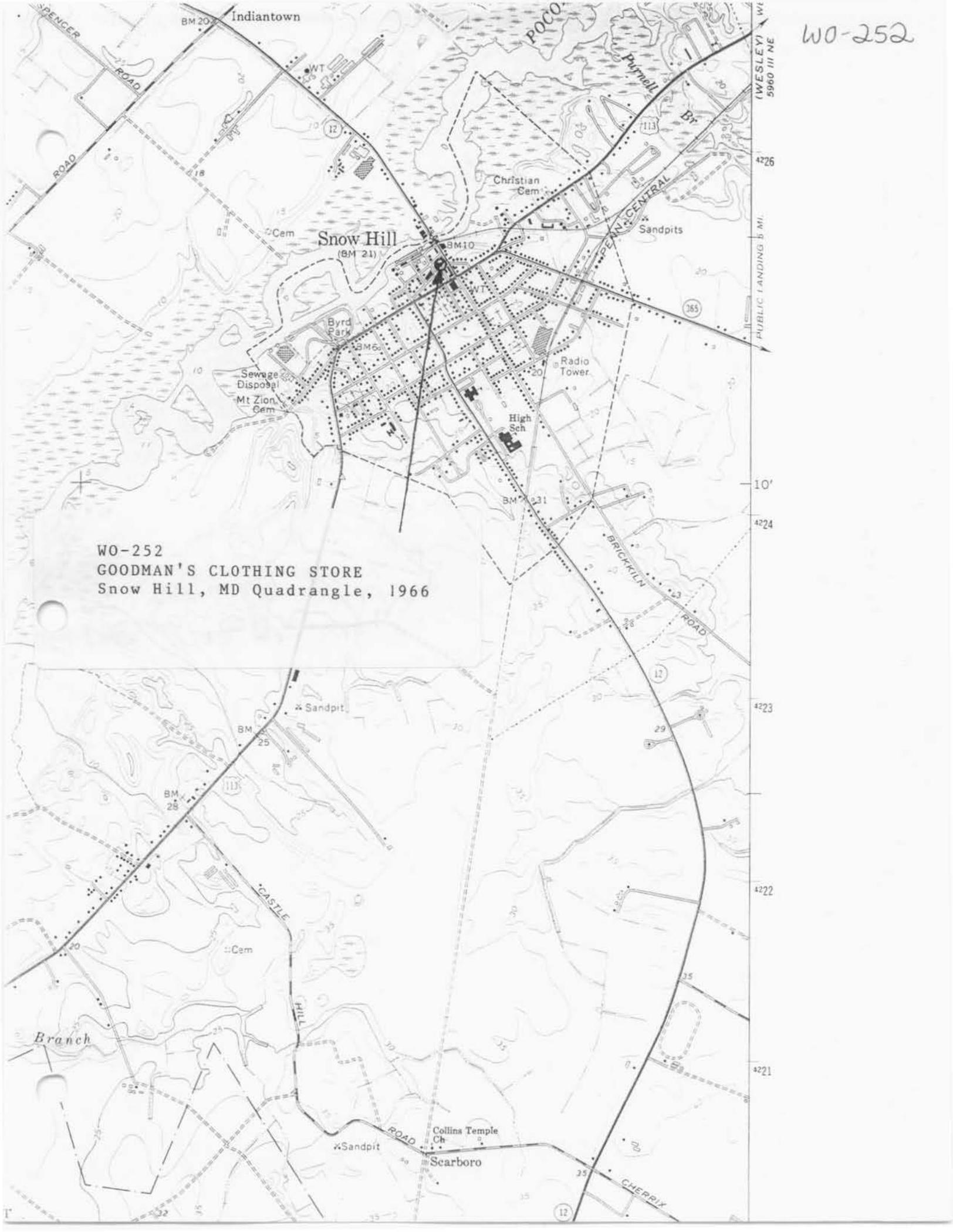


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1875 SANBORN
INSURANCE
MAP



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GOODMAN'S CLOTHING STORE
Snow Hill, MD Quadrangle, 1966

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PUBLIC LANDING 5 MI.
10'
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