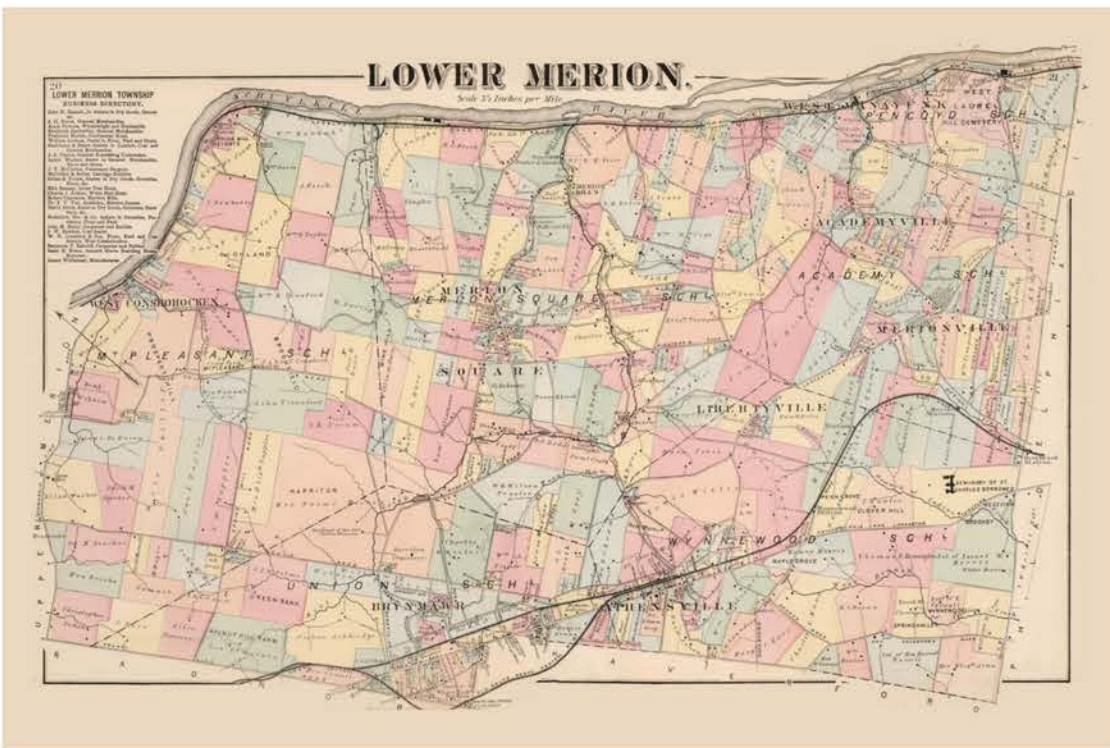


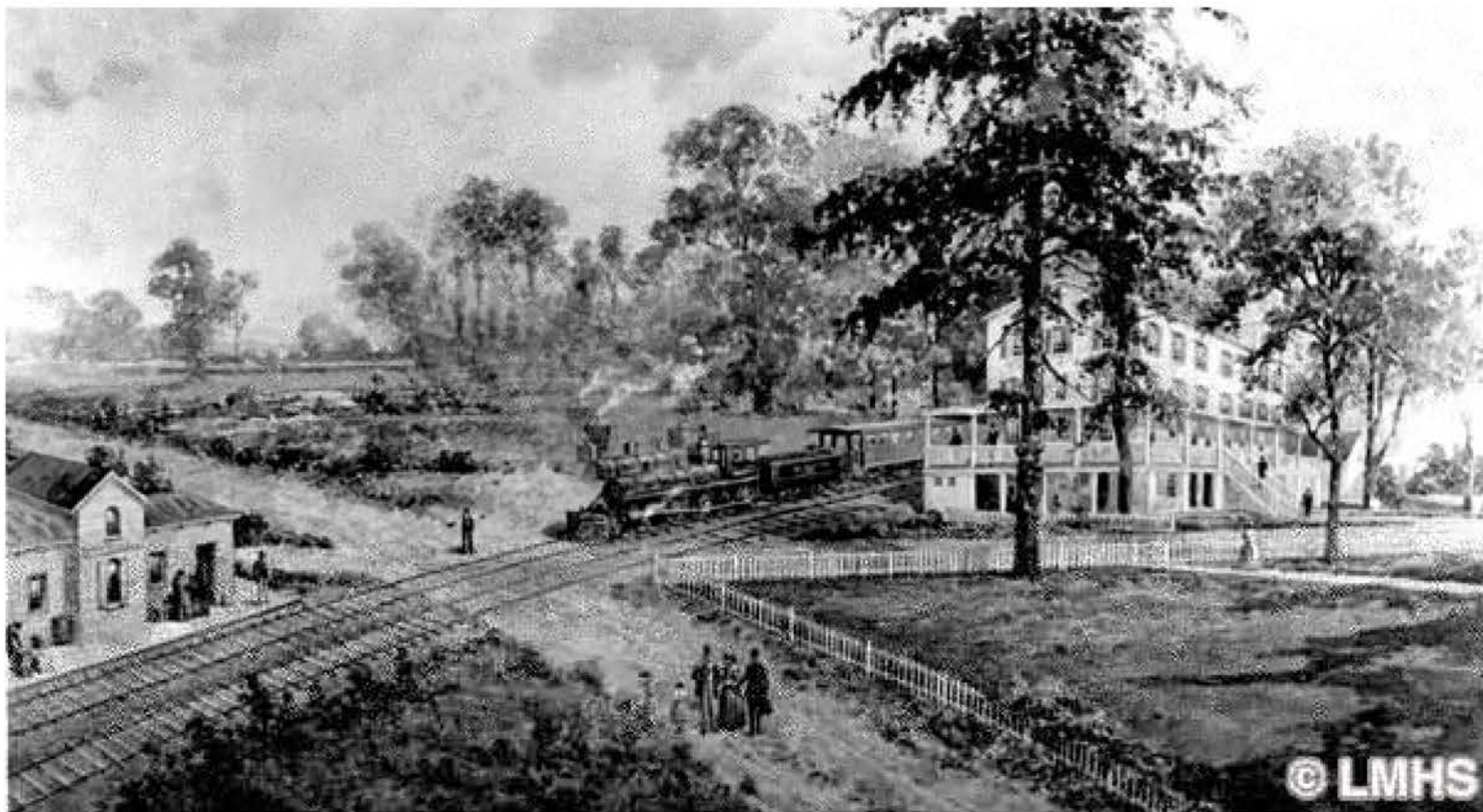
BUILDINGS IN LOWER MERION TOWNSHIP

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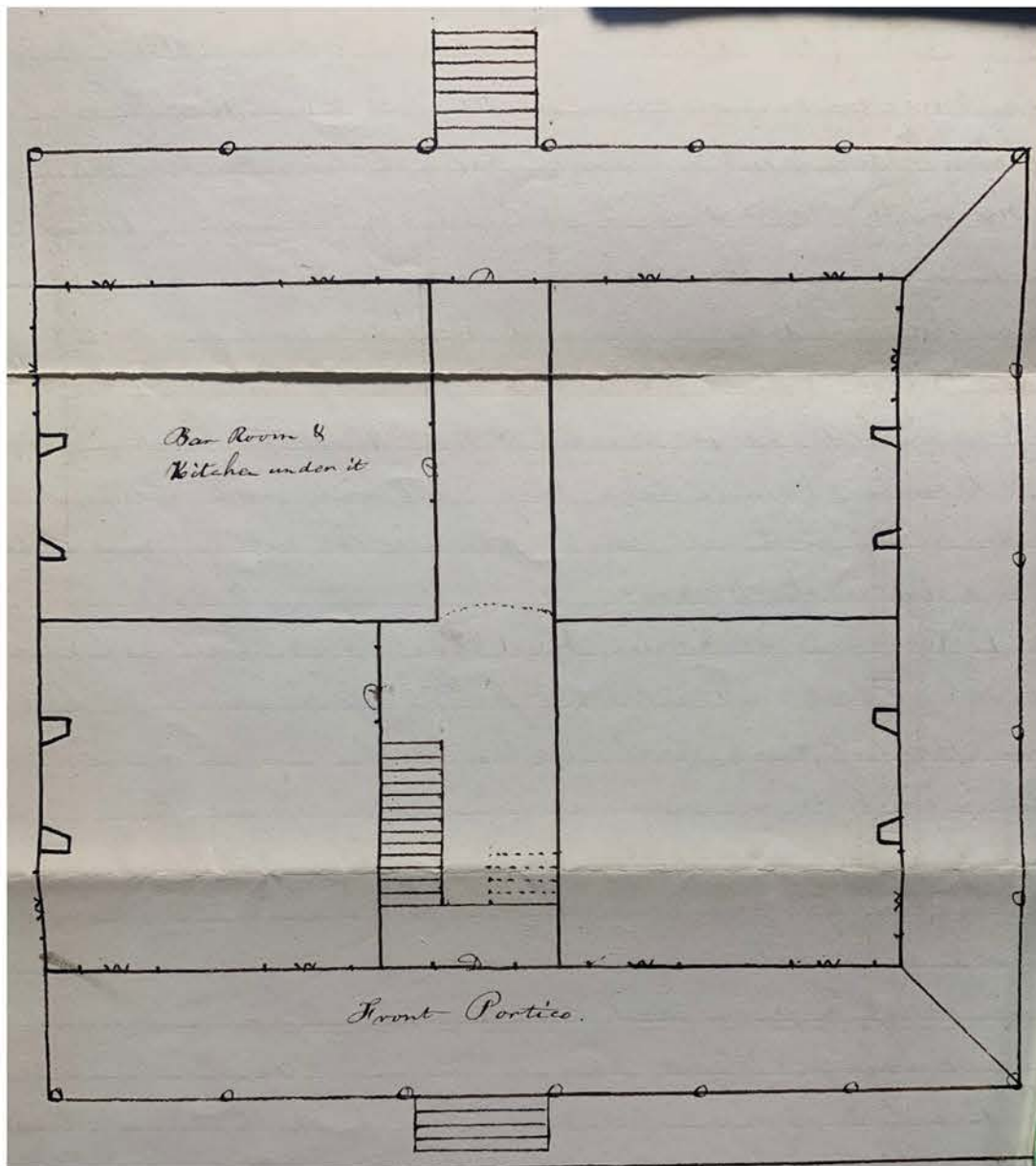


PURPOSE

- Document fire insurance surveys of buildings in Lower Merion Township.
- Surveys found range in date from 1820 to 1866.
- These surveys will be put into a database so future researchers and residents of the township can investigate its past through its buildings.
- Surveys provide information on building owners and materials used, as well as rough construction dates.



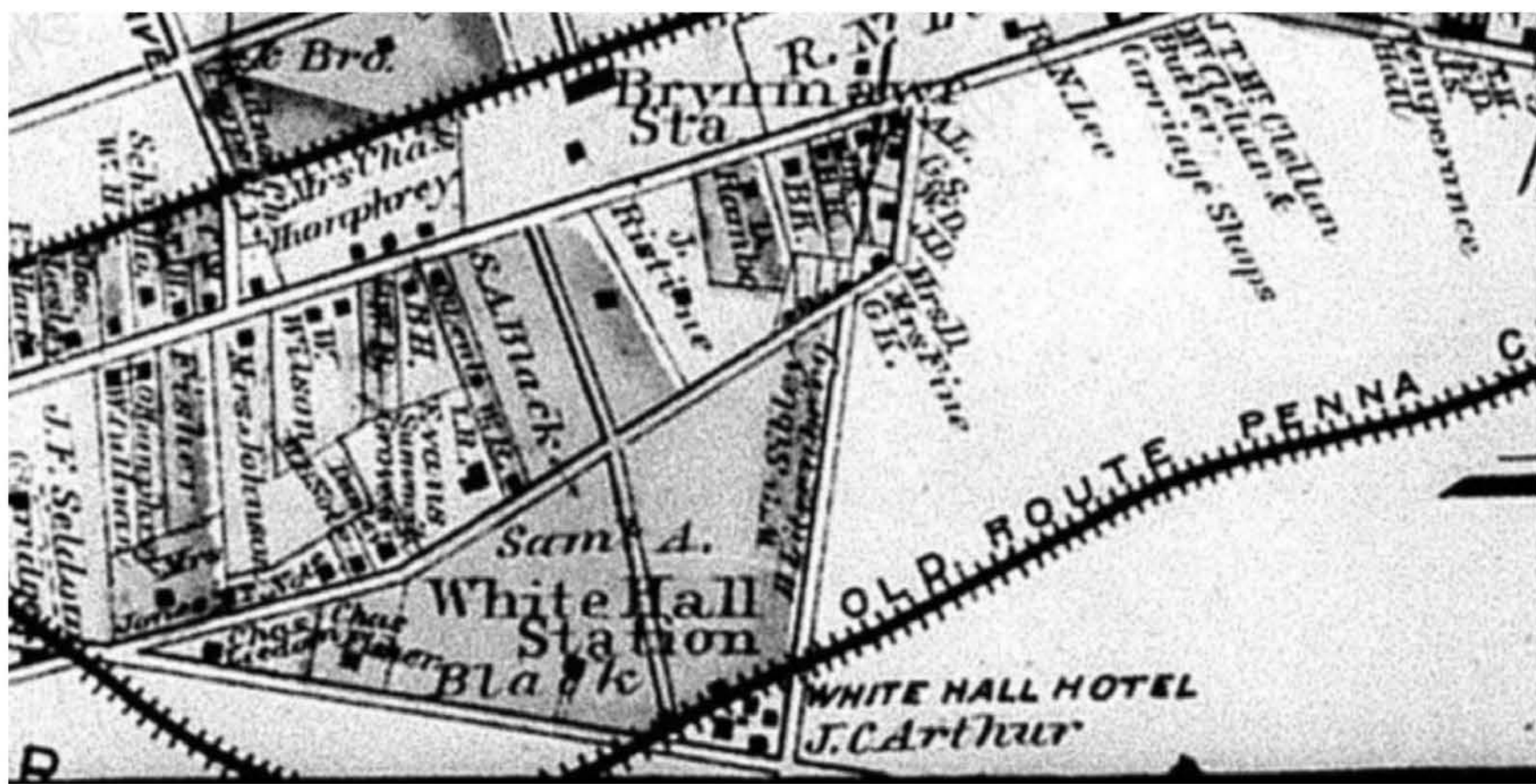
Lithograph of Whitehall Inn



Plan of Whitehall Inn

TASKS

- Photograph fire insurance surveys of buildings in Lower Merion Township.
- Surveys are currently located at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania archives.
- Find building locations on historical atlases.
- Determine if buildings still exist.
- Most buildings are no longer extant.



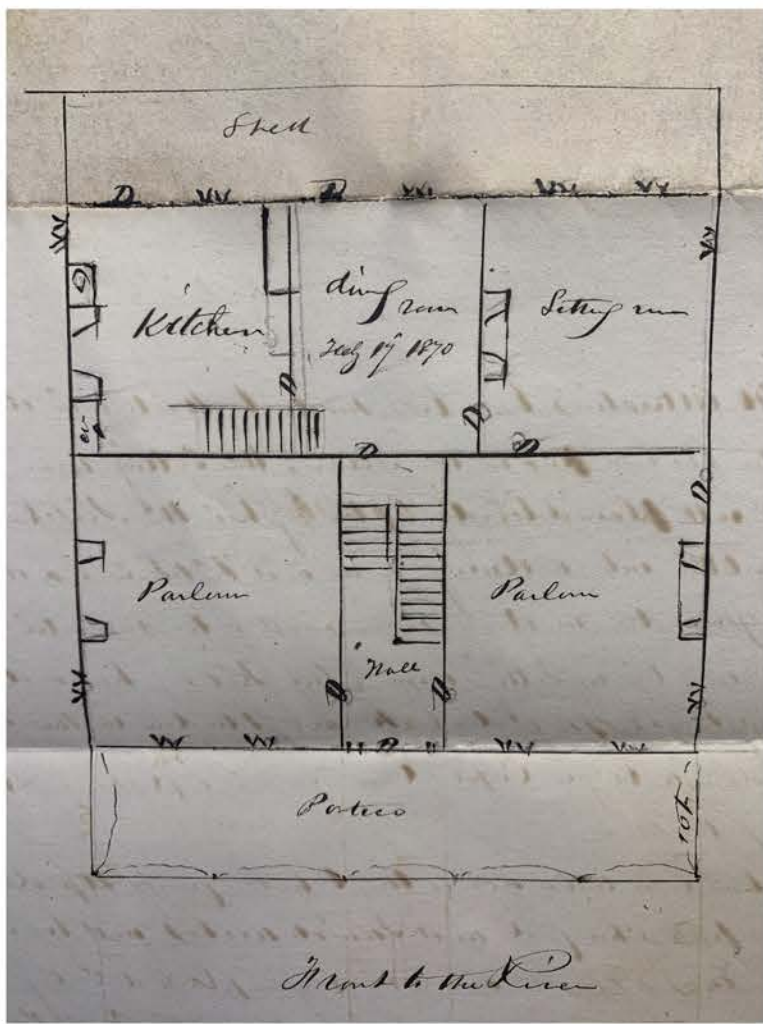
Location of Whitehall Inn & Station on 1871 atlas



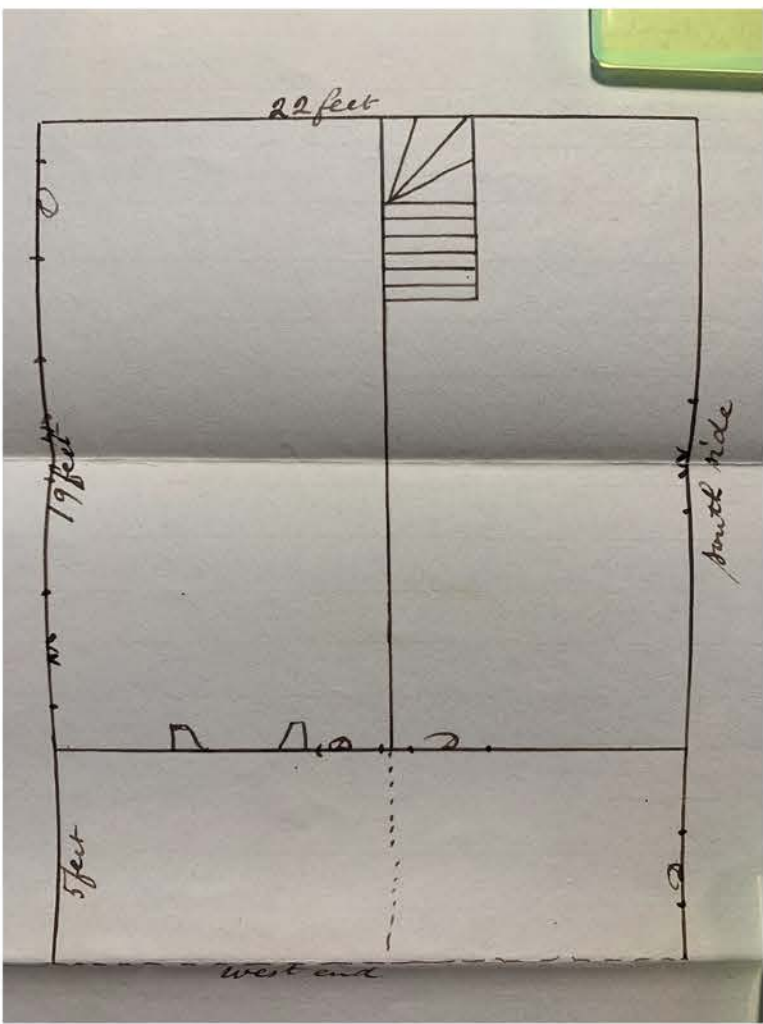
Pictures of Whitehall Station, now the Bryn Mawr Hospital Thrift Shop

WHAT I LEARNED

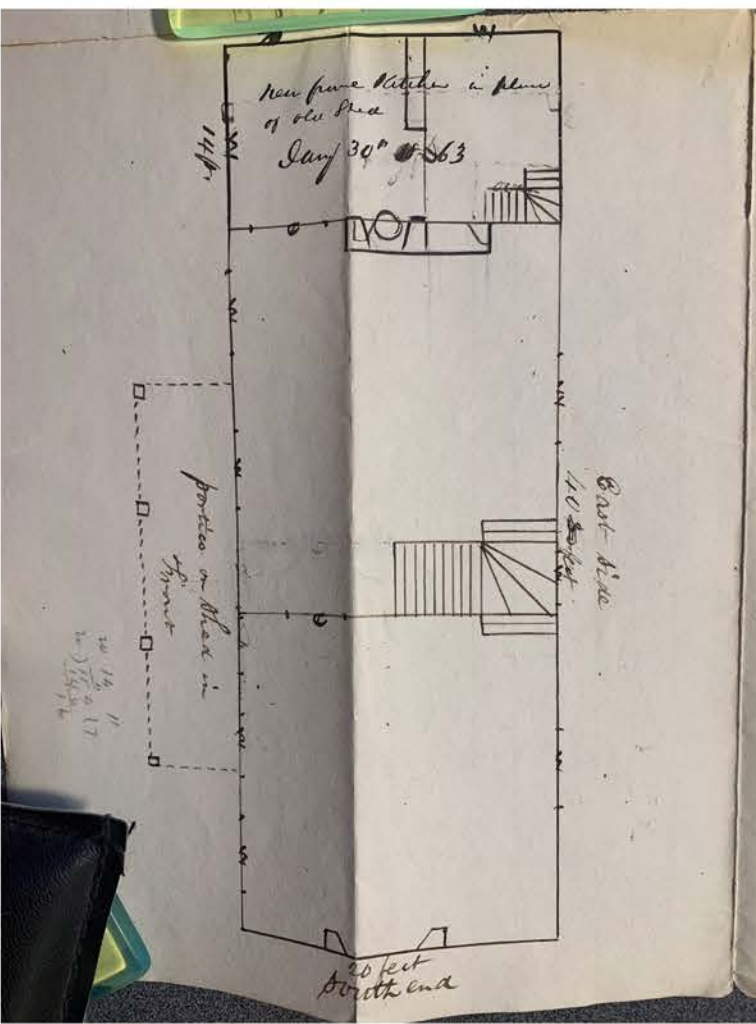
- Gained a greater understanding of the types of buildings in Lower Merion Township.
- There were many barns.
- Became more familiar with archival research.
- Improved my cursive reading skills.



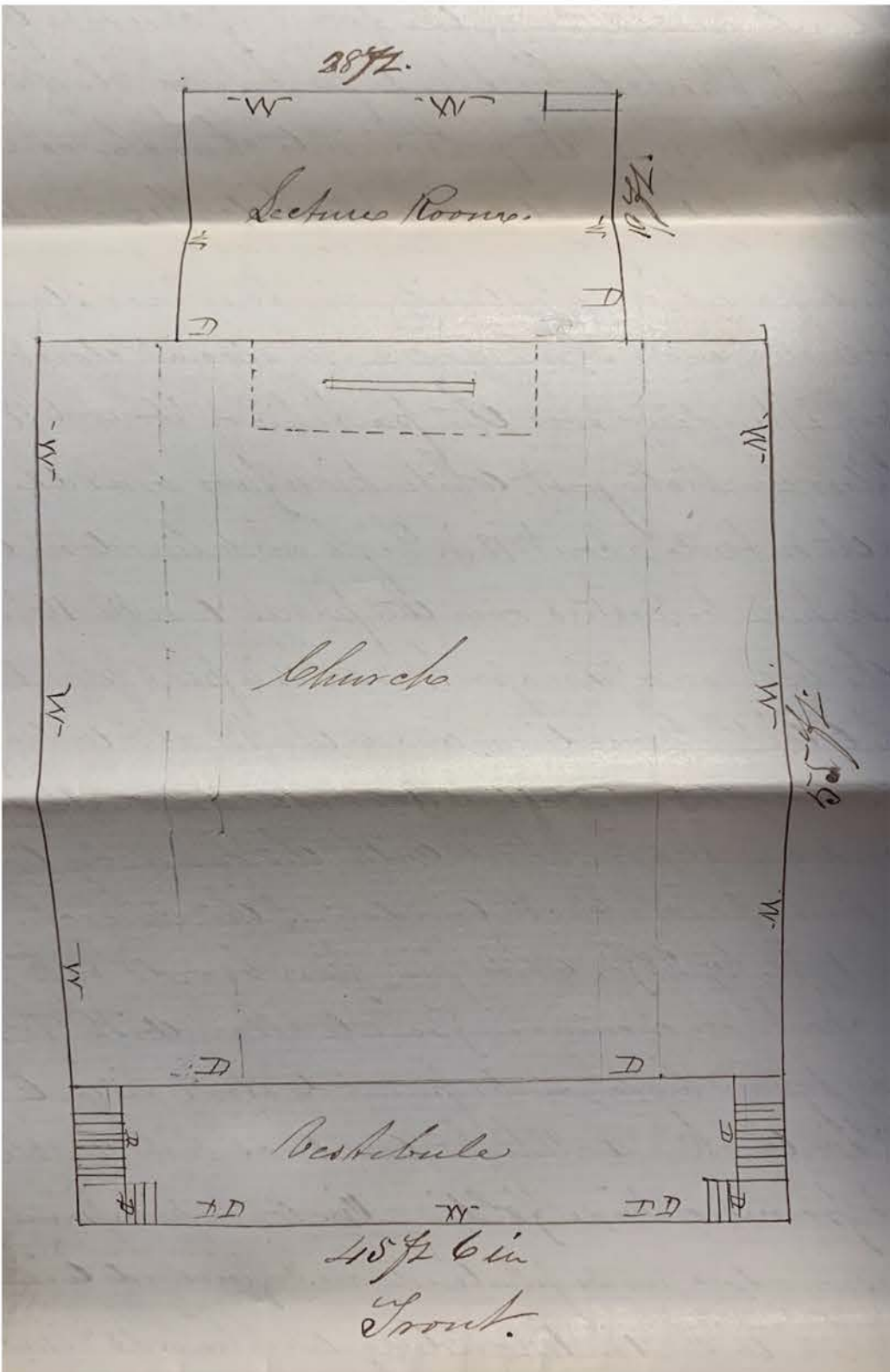
Plan of a house owned by John Levering



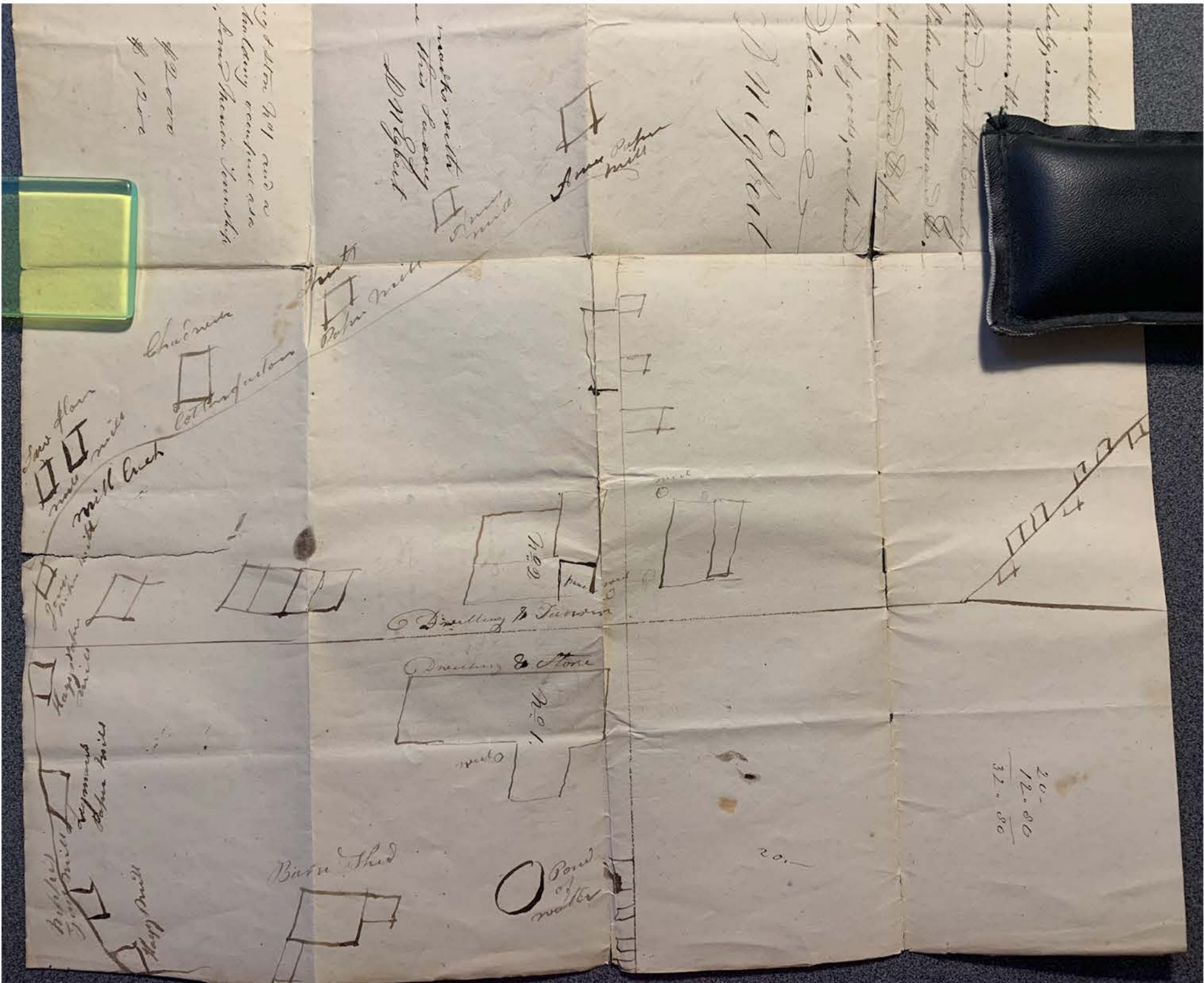
Plan of a spring house at Harriton Farm



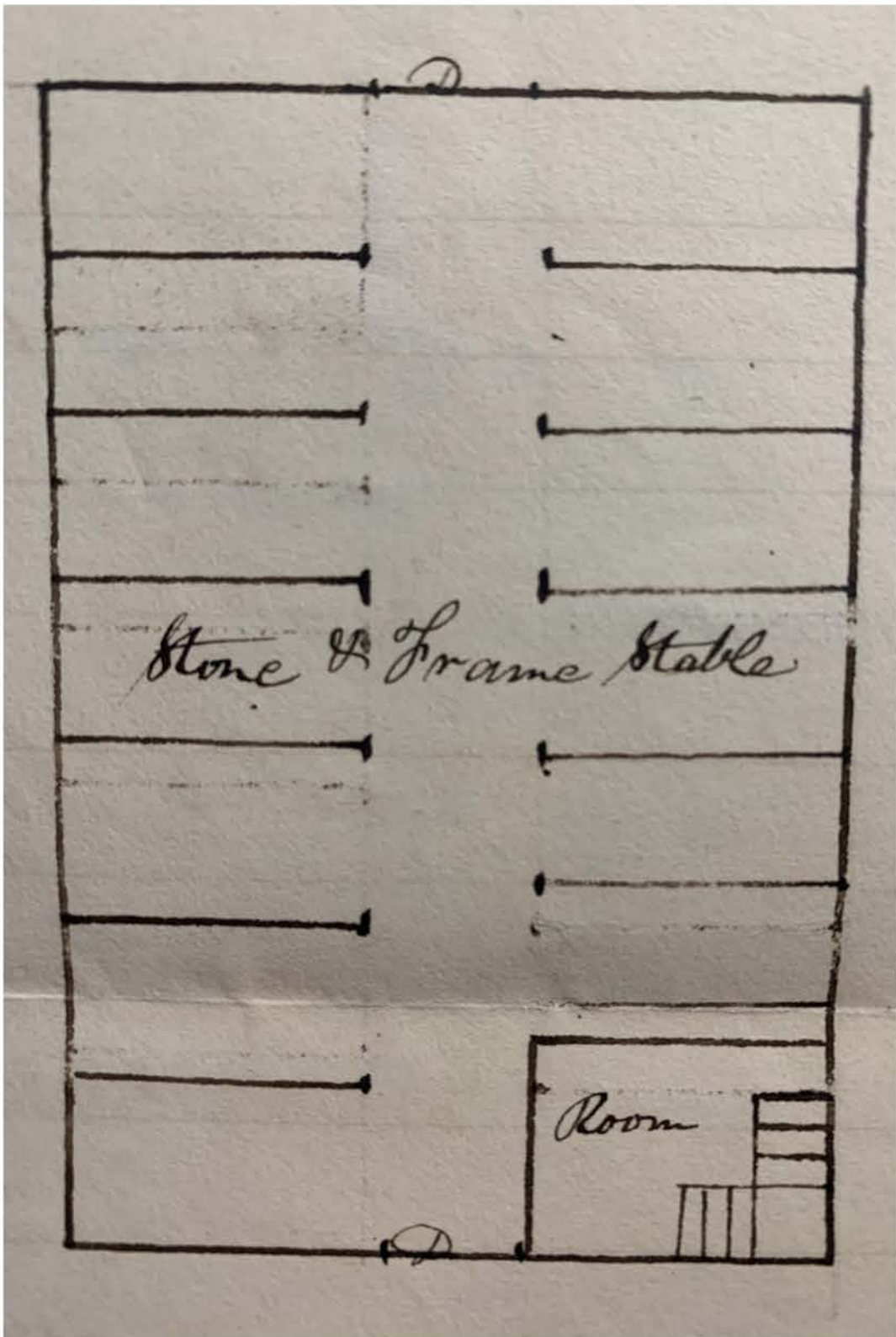
Plan of a tenant house at Harriton Farm



Plan of the Baptist Church in Bryn Mawr



Sketch of several buildings in Merion Square (now Gladwyne) owned by D. N. Egbert



Plan of the stables at Whitehall Inn