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4 BEACH AVE.

Built for

ELIZA J. LOW wife of Daniel Low, jeweler

in 1883

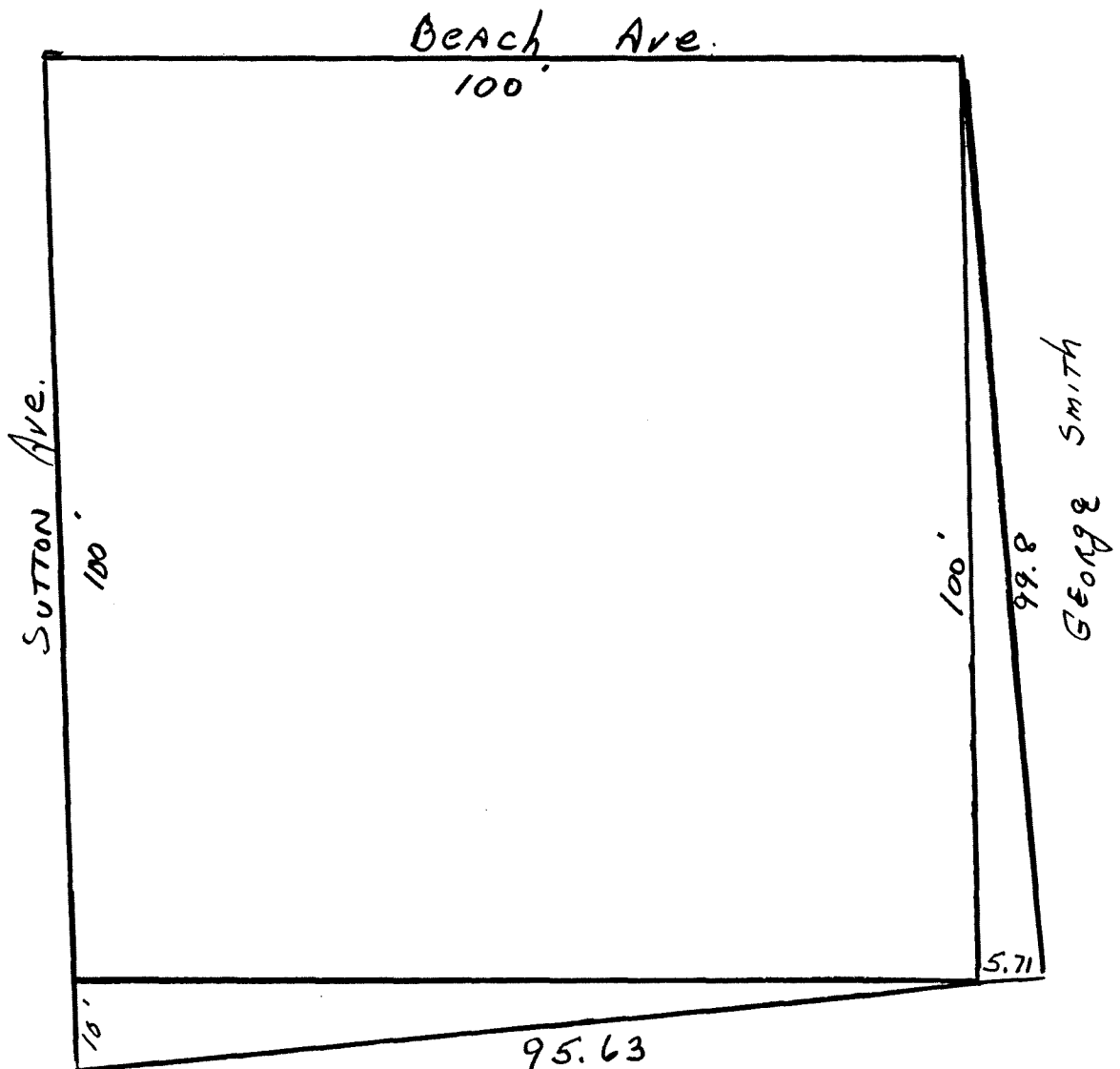
Research by,
Joyce King
February 1988

"to preserve Historic Sites, Buildings and objects,
and to work for the education of the community
in the true value of the same."

4 BEACH AVE.

BOOK 5350 PAGE412

DATE - April 1, 1966
CONSIDERATION - None listed
GRANTOR (seller) - Olive C. and Shirley C. Shepard
GRANTEE (buyer) - Leo O. and Joan M. Pelletier
DESCRIPTION - Land and buildings
PREVIOUS REFERENCE - Being the same premises conveyed by deed of Melville Rowand on October 31, 1960, as recorded in book 4717 page 69.



BOOK 4717 PAGE 69

DATE - October 31, 1960

CONSIDERATION - None listed (mortgage \$16,000)

GRANTOR (seller) - Melville and Melba C. Rowand of
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

GRANTEE (buyer) - Olive C. and Shirley Shepard

DESCRIPTION - Land and buildings

PREVIOUS REFERENCE - Being the same premises conveyed by
deed of Paul N. Tardiff on July 8,
1940 and recorded in book 3222
page 551.

BOOK 3222 PAGE 551

DATE - July 8, 1940

CONSIDERATION - None listed (mortgage \$6,000)

GRANTOR (seller) - Paul N. and Blanch M. Tardiff

GRANTEE (buyer) - Melville and Melba C. Rowand

DESCRIPTION - Land and buildings

PREVIOUS REFERENCE - The same conveyed to us by Salem
Co op Bank on December 11, 1936 as
recorded in book 3096 page 56. Being
lots #27, #28 and part of #50 on plan
recorded in Plan book 1, plan 30
(enclosed in this report).

BOOK 3096 PAGE 56

DATE - December 11, 1936

CONSIDERATION - \$6,550

GRANTOR (seller) - Salem Co op Bank holder of a mortgage
from George W. and Mary L. Carr
recorded in book 2878 page 278 and
foreclosed for default

GRANTEE (buyer) - Paul N. and Blanche Tardiff

DESCRIPTION - Land and buildings

BOOK 2878 PAGE 277

DATE - April 14, 1931

CONSIDERATION - None listed

GRANTOR (seller) - Ida A. Smith

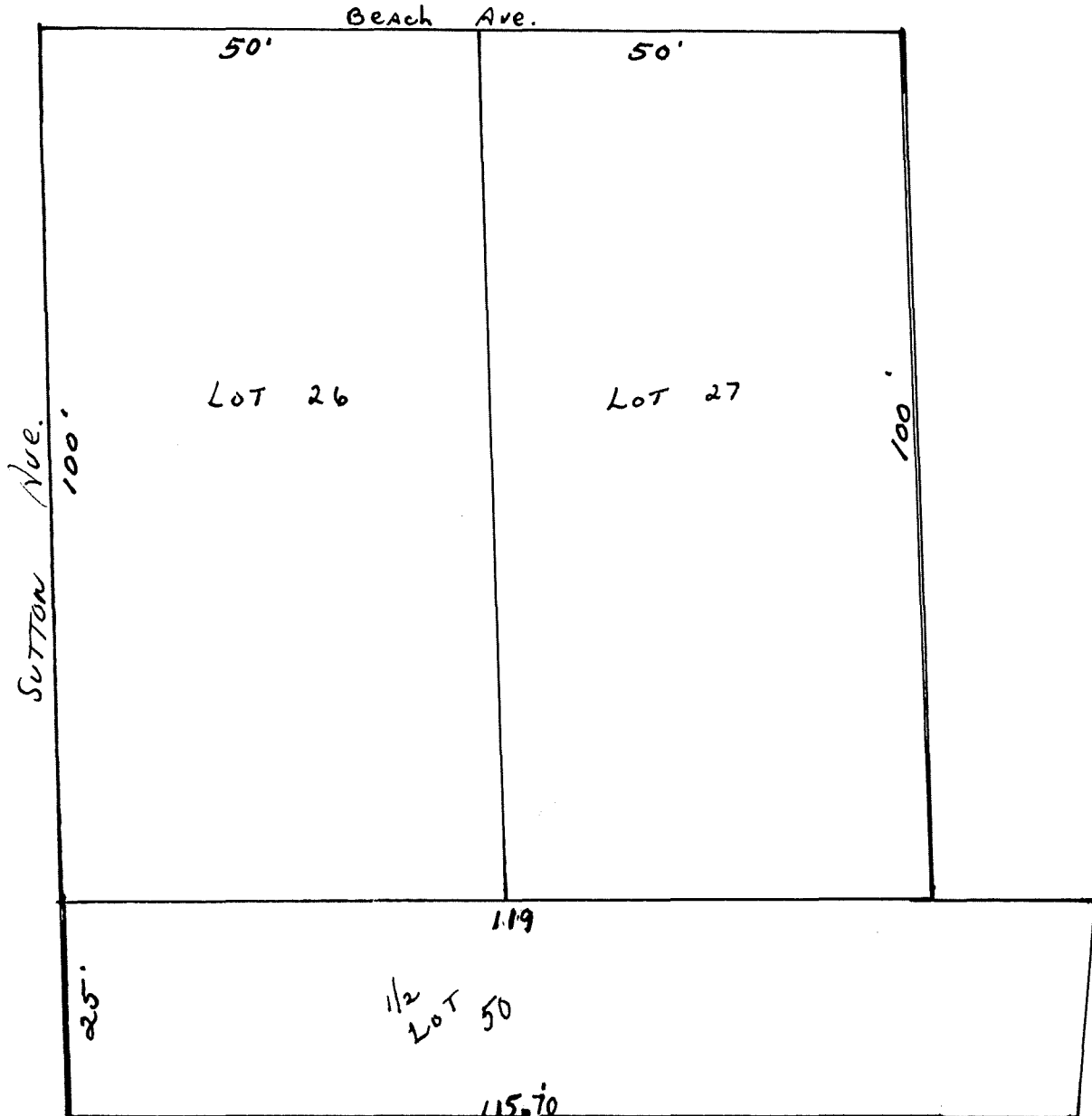
GRANTEE (buyer) - George W. and Mary Carr

DESCRIPTION - Land and buildings

PREVIOUS REFERENCE - Being a portion of the premises
devised to me by my husband
J. C. B. Smith. No book or page
reference given for previous deed.

BOOK 1423 PAGE 99

DATE - September 24, 1894
CONSIDERATION - \$1 and other valuable consideration
GRANTOR (seller) - Daniel and Eliza J. Low
GRANTEE (buyer) - J. C. B. Smith
DESCRIPTION - Lots of land 26, 27 and 1/2 of lot 50
as appear on plan of house lots
Juniper Point on Salem Neck
PREVIOUS REFERENCE - Lots 26 and 27 were conveyed to
Eliza J. Low by deed recorded in
book 1110 page 233. Half of lot
50 was conveyed by Charles Symonds
on June 27, 1883 and recorded in
book 1110 page 254.



BOOK 1110 PAGE 233

DATE - June 25, 1883

CONSIDERATION - \$12,000

GRANTOR (seller) - Eunice Richards

GRANTEE (buyer) - Eliza J. Low

DESCRIPTION - Lots of land being #26 and #27

PREVIOUS REFERENCE - Conveyed to me by James Evans as
recorded in book 1089 page 7

Reference to book and page are deed books at the Registry of Deeds. Probate numbers are cases at Probate Court. All plans in this report are for illustrative purposes and are not meant to be exact.

NOTES AND DATE DOCUMENTATION:

JUNIPER POINT COTTAGES

"Adjacent to the Willows, Salem's historic seaside park and amusement area, is the oldest residential section of Salem Neck, known as Juniper Point. Early in the city's history this rocky promontory contained fortifications, but it was later developed for farming by the Allen, Dustin, and other families.

In the 1850s and 1860s the point served as a recreational "tenting ground." In 1870 the owner Daniel B. Gardner subdivided the area (approximately thirty acres) into house lots, and the point quickly developed into a desirable summer resort. For many years a large wooden hotel, the "Ocean House" (1879), was maintained here looking out onto Massachusetts Bay and its many islands.

The majority of the cottages on Juniper Point were built between 1870 and 1910, and although they were planned with an eye to economy, many are architecturally noteworthy. Of wood-frame construction and one-and-one-half or two stories tall, the best of these combine features usually associated with the Queen Anne, Stick, and Shingle styles. Today Juniper Point is almost exclusively a year-round residential community, and virtually all of the cottages have been winterized." Architecture in Salem by Bryant F. Tolles Jr. with Carolyn Tolles (1983)

4 BEACH AVE.

The house at 4 Beach Ave. was built as a summer house for Eliza J. Low in 1883. A permit was issued to "E. J. Low", whose residence was listed as 10 Summer St., on April 12, 1883. This was to build a wooden dwelling house 31' X 29' - 2 story - pitch roof- on Juniper Point Salem Neck. (It was common practice, for businessmen, to have real estate registered in the name of their spouse to avoid total loss in case of legal actions.)

The 1880 Federal Census shows the Low family living at 10 Summer Street:

Low Daniel	age 38, jeweller, born Mass.
Eliza J.	age 37, wife, keeping house, born Maine
Seth	age 12, at school, born Mass.
Henry	age 9, at school, born Mass.
Florence	age 4, at school, born Mass.
Newhall Maria	age 21, servant, born Vermont
Sullivan Bridget	age 22, servant, born Ireland

The Salem Evening News

1917 December 10

WIDOW OF NOTED JEWELLER IS DEAD

Mrs. Eliza J. widow of Daniel Low died at her home, 365 Essex Street, this morning in her 69th year. She was born in Maine on October 7, 1842. She had been an invalid a long time. She is survived by Seth F. Low, Mrs. Harlan Kelsey of Salem, and Dr. Henry C. Low of Boston and 6 grandchildren.

SUDDEN DEATH OF DANIEL LOW IN HIS STORE YESTERDAY

WELL KNOWN BUSINESS MAN

HEAD OF THE BIG MAIL ORDER JEWELRY AND SILVERWARE FIRM EXPIRED SUDDENLY; HAD DEVELOPED ENORMOUS TRADE ALL OVER THE WORLD FROM A SMALL STORE AT THE CORNER OF ESSEX AND WASHINGTON STREETS.

The announcement in the last editions of The News yesterday afternoon of the death of Daniel Low came to thousands of citizens as a flash of lightning out of a clear sky, and expressions of the great loss sustained by the city in the death of one of her most active business men and

Mr. Low had been ailing for some time and his condition was well known to himself and his family, but it had also become so pronounced of late that it was apparent to his business associates. Even yesterday afternoon, a prominent business man remarked, after Mr. Low had left him, that "Mr. Low looks poorly, and I am afraid that he needs to be watched."

He came from his home in a carriage in the forenoon and attended to business as usual, visiting several places and attending a meeting of the directors of the Merchants' bank, as was his custom. About 1 o'clock in the afternoon, while dictating correspondence to his stenographer, Miss Coughlin, he complained of not feeling well. He took a pill which he had for such attacks, but he seemed

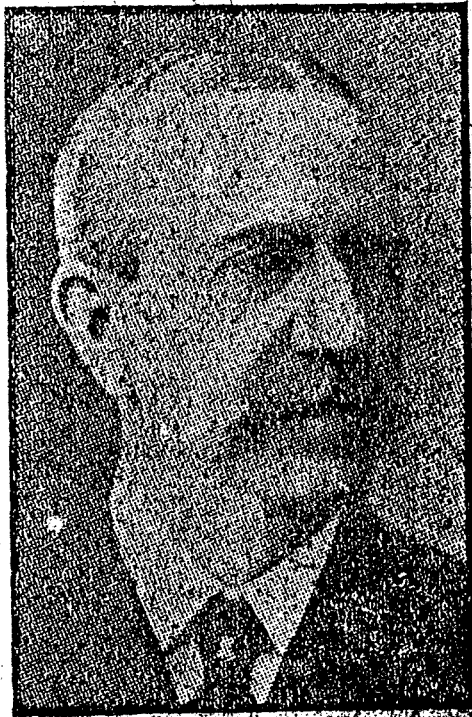
To Grow Steadily Worse

although he did not say very much about it.

In fact he talked with his son, S. Fred Low, and Henry Mitchell, the business manager, but in a few minutes it was apparent that the attack which up to that time was similar to those to which he had been subject was growing worse and word was instantly dispatched by telephone and messenger for three doctors, Fred Felson, Sargent and Ferguson, who responded.

Mr. Low expressed the belief to Mr. Mitchell, that he guessed that this attack would be fatal and lapsed into unconsciousness from which he never rallied in spite of the efforts of the doctors, and he breathed his last before 2 o'clock.

Mr. Low had been at work all the forenoon, attending particularly to the details of the operation which was going on in the store. He appeared as well as usual until just before 1 o'clock when he was attacked

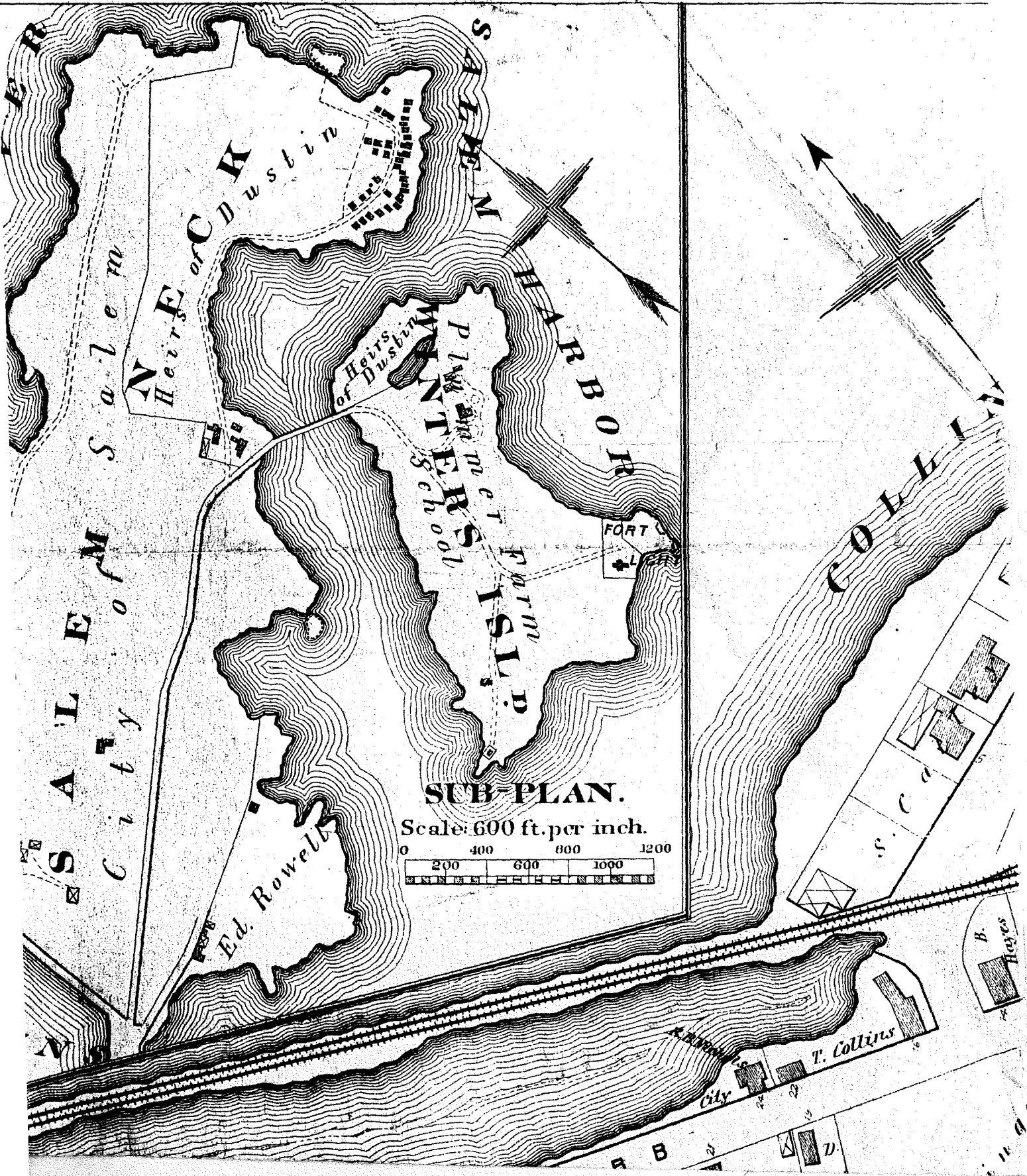


DANIEL LOW

foremost citizens were heard of every side. As the old merchants of Salem by their trade with their ships sent the name of Salem to all parts of the civilized world, so the firm of Daniel Low & Co. by its tremendous business kept the fame of the old city familiar to the people of the present in the remotest parts of the world.

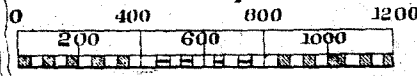
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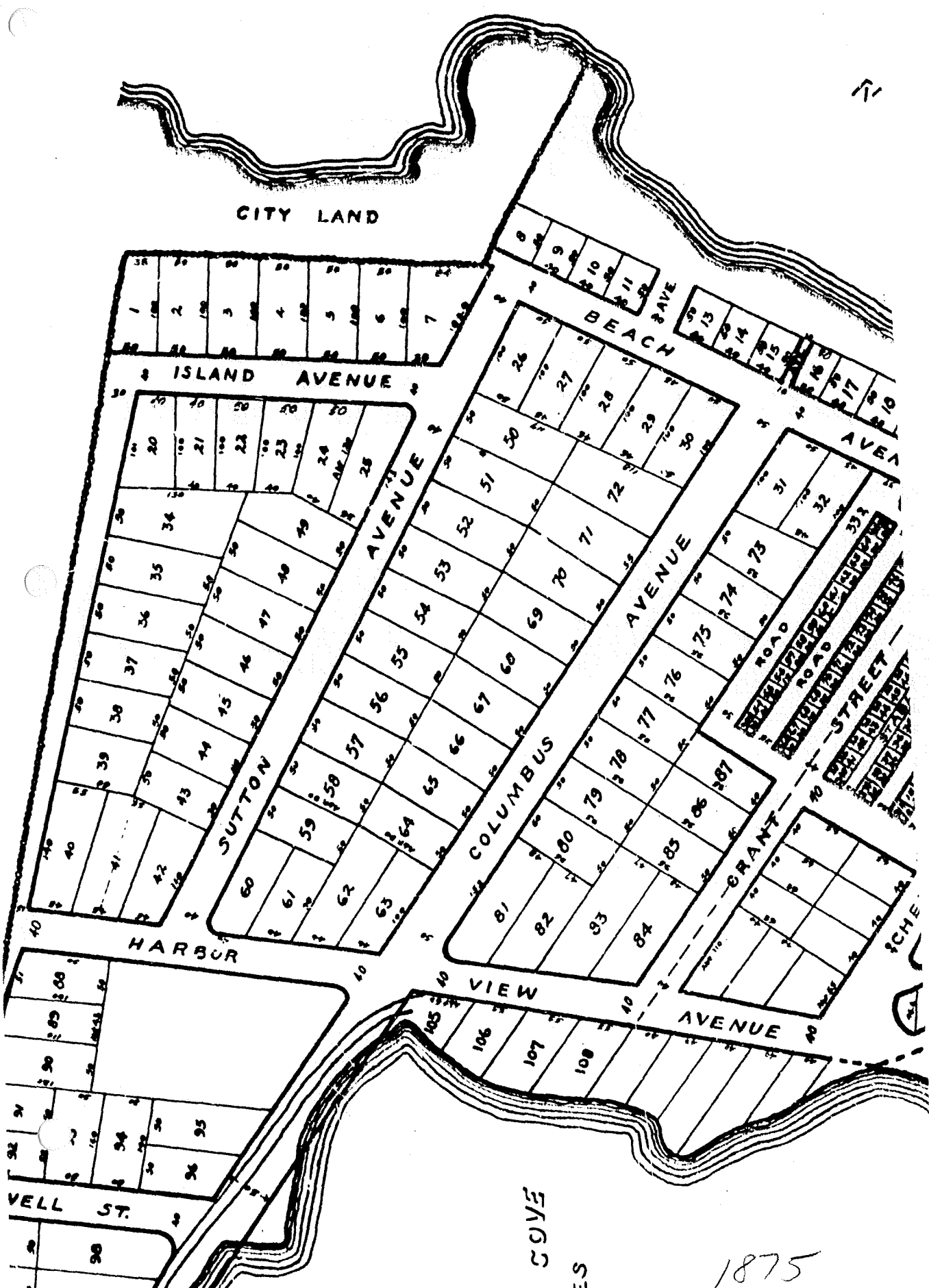
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SUB-PLAN.

Scale: 600 ft. per inch.





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ISLAND AVENUE

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COLUMBUS AVENUE

GRANT AVENUE

VIEW AVENUE

BEACH DRIVE

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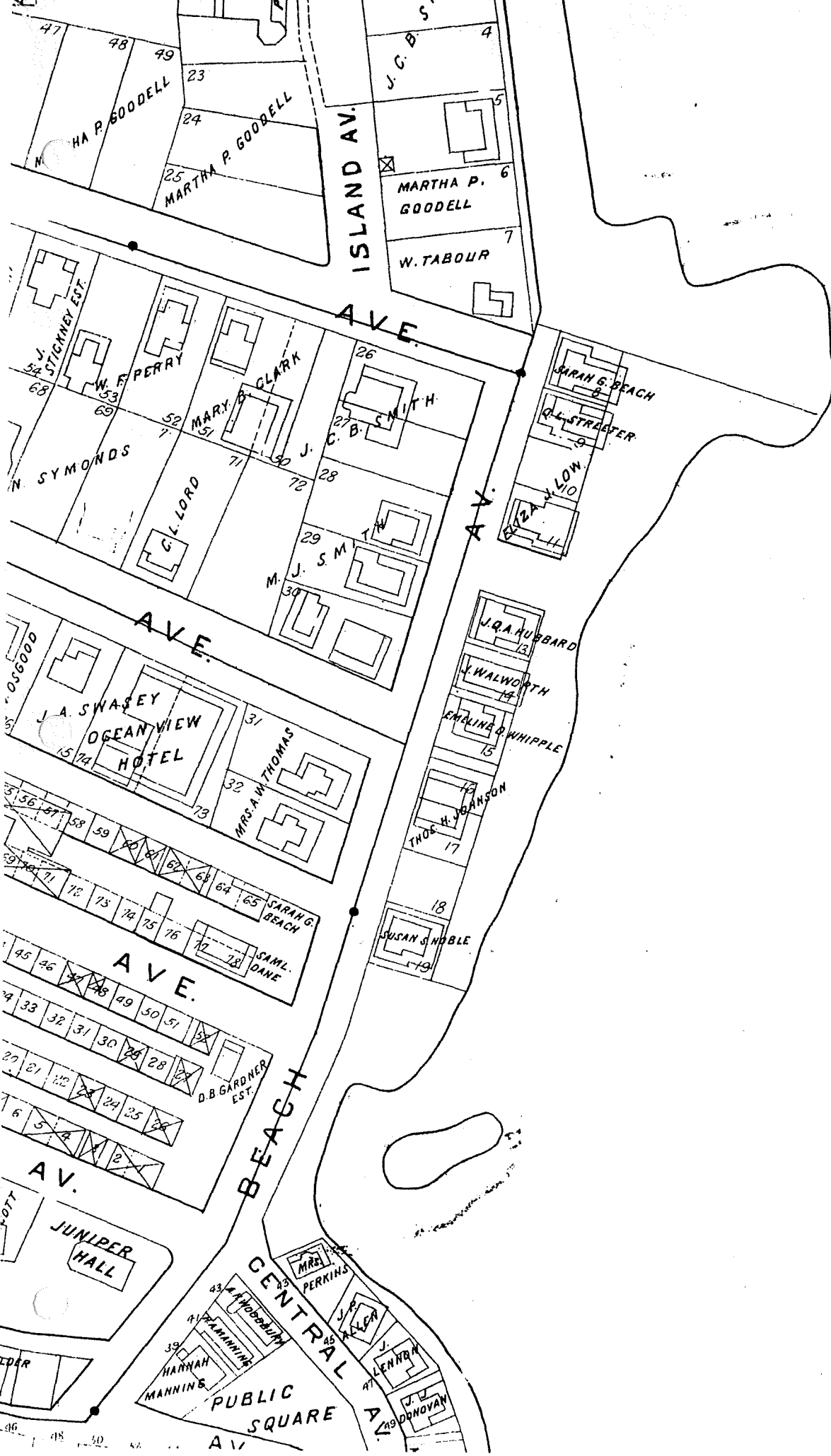
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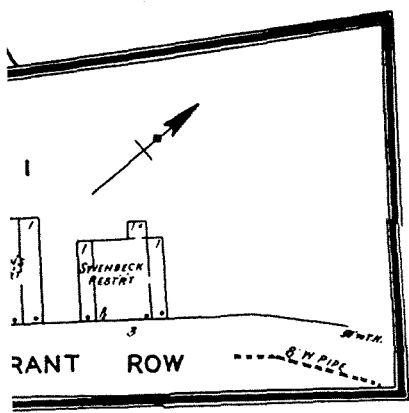
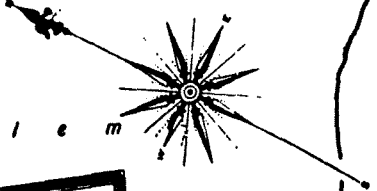


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COLUMBUS AV.

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