

BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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GENERAL

HISTORIC NAME: Gerrit, Haring House

COMMON NAME: The Lamplighter (antiques)

LOCATION: 224 Old Tappan Road.
(Lot-63, Block-2)

MUNICIPALITY: Old Tappan

OWNERSHIP: Public Private

OWNER/ADDRESS: Robert & Dolores McLaughlin
(same)

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:

- Erskine (1778-80)
- Hopkins-Corey (1861) J. Denarest
- Walker's Atlas (1876) Mrs. Meyers
- Bromley (1912) Wm. W. Phelps Est.
- Other

RECOGNITION:

- National Register
- BHCS Marker
- HABS #6-459
- Bailey
- Other N.J. Inventory

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: Due south

IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Residential
- Commercial
- Agricultural
- Open Space
- Other

COMMENTS:

USE

ORIGINAL: Residence

PRESENT: Residence

THREATS TO STRUCTURE:

- Roads
- Development
- Zoning
- Deterioration
- Other
- No Threat,

COMMENTS:

CONDITION

CONDITION:

- Excellent
- Fair
- Good
- Deteriorated

STATUS:

- Occupied
- Unoccupied
- Work in Progress

ACCESSIBLE:

- Yes, Restricted
- Yes, Unrestricted
- No

This house still has an ancient feeling with open beams and low door heads. A new wing has been added on the east and the old harness room removed from the rear since HABS. The large fireplace in the living room was at one time a jambless type. There may have been a fireplace on the west end as well.

PHOTO



MAP



CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:

1751 & later; addition 1762/HABS

BUILDER:

Gerrit J. Haring

FORM/PLAN TYPE:

"A" 2 door, 2 room w/ fireplace on
gable end wall (35'4" x 22'1")

FRAMING SYSTEM:

- Intermediate Summer Beam
 Intermediate Bearing Wall
 Clear Span
 Other

EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:

Main: Front is coursed red sandstone.
 Sides are uncoursed rubble and carry
 beyond eave of gable end. Wing: Front
 and rear are frame.

FENESTRATION:

2'7" x 5'0" sash (12/12) and 2'2" x 3'5"
 sash (12/12).

ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:

2 doors on south front are Dutch split
 leaf style (3'0" x 6'0") w/ transom
 above.

NUMBER OF STORIES: 1-1/2

- CELLAR: Yes
 No.

CHIMNEY FOUNDATION: Cemented

- Stone Arch
 Brick Arch, Stone Foundation
 Other

FLOOR JOISTS: Main: 8-12" x 7-9"
 deep @ 35-39" o.c. Wing: 6-7"
 x 8" deep, 46-50" apart.

FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:

Main: 8'2 1/2". Wing: 7'8".

FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:

18-19"

GARRET FLOOR JOISTS: 6-7" x 6-9"

deep @ 38-42" o.c.

GARRET:

- Unfinished Space
 Finished Space

ROOF:

- Gable
 Gambrel
 Curb
 Other

EAVE TREATMENT:

- Sweeping Overhang (front)
 Supported Overhang
 No Overhang (rear)
 Boxed Gutter
 Other

This house is significant for its architecture and its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County, New Jersey area. It is a reasonably well preserved example of the Form/Plan Type as shown and more fully described herein. As such, it is included in the Thematic Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Early Stone Houses of Bergen County, New Jersey.



Gerrit J. Haring, second son of Jan Cosyn Haring (plate 89), undoubtedly felt the need of a house of his own when he married about 1751. He built on a part of his grandfather Cosyn's lands, but erected a less pretentious house, consisting of only two rooms, each with its separate outside door, and very little attic space for storage purposes. Gerrit J. Haring, b. April 25, 1725 in the old house (plate 89), married Cornelia Lent about 1751 and raised many children in his new home: Jan, Abraham, Aeltje, Petrus, Frederick, Kobus, Catherine and Elizabeth. The house was inherited by his son Frederick G. Haring, b. Aug. 8, 1762, married April 6, 1786 Maria Smith. At his death in 1834, his large farm was divided into five portions, each with hill and meadowland, for his five daughters: Letty Zabriskie, Mrs. Gardinier, Margaret wife of Joost Demarest, Mary Eckerson, and Cornelia wife of Albert Bogart. The house stood on portion No. 1 allotted to Lettie Zabriskie and was probably sold by her. In 1876 it was owned by Mrs. Myers, and in 1912 by the W. W. Phelps estate....

(The above is quoted from Rosalie Fellows Bailey's Pre-Revolutionary Dutch Houses and Families in Northern New Jersey and Southern New York. New York: Dover Publications, Inc., 1968.)

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

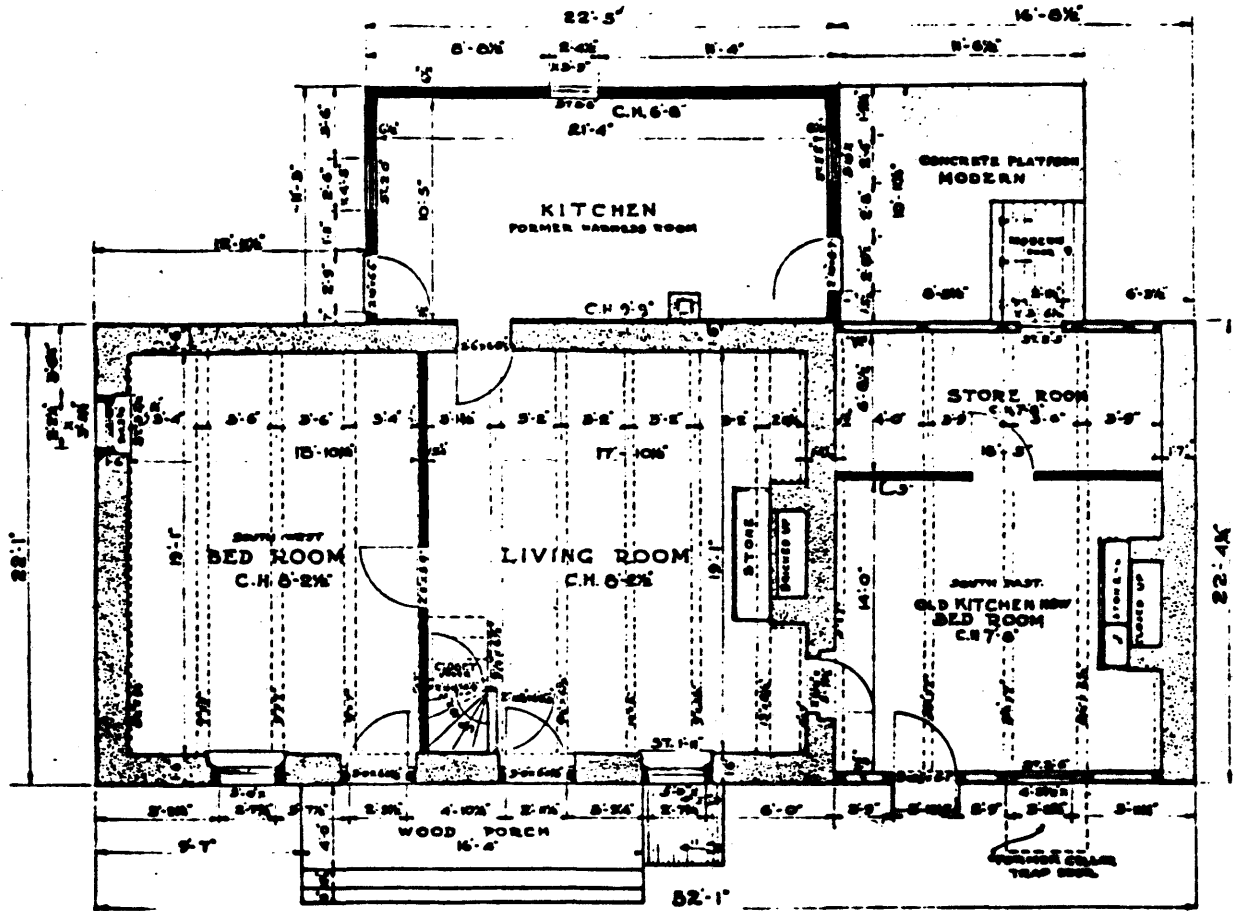
Block 2, Lot 63 - Old Tappan Tax Map

5.521 acres

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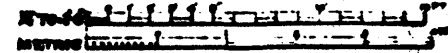


• FIRST FLOOR PLAN •

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NAME OF STRUCTURE
• THE GERRIT J. HARING HOUSE •
• WEST OLD TAPPAN ROAD - BORO. OF OLD TAPPAN - NEW JERSEY •



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HISTORIC AMERICAN
BUILDINGS SURVEY
NO. 2 OF 19 SHEETS

DENVER COUNTY CIVIL ENGINEER
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