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**Interesting maps and info to assist your inquiry into Williams Hill Rd-Palmer Rd**

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Hello,

I live at [1272 Williams Hill Rd](#). I am in favor of a non-motorized trail on the Town right of way to Palmer Road to allow for people to travel on bikes, skis and on foot.

A neighbor on Palmer Rd., who is also in favor of the connector trail, sent this to me as we were discussing the history of the area.

Though focused on the Palmer Road area, It's a fascinating report and contains maps and information that may helpful in your work documenting the road.

I look forward to your presentation and the site walk.

Best,  
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**ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES ASSESSMENT  
FOR THE PROPOSED GILBERT 4-LOT SUBDIVISION PROJECT  
RICHMOND, CHITTENDEN COUNTY, VERMONT**



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## INTRODUCTION

This Archaeological Resources Assessment (ARA) was prepared by the University of Vermont Consulting Archaeology Program (UVM CAP) in reference to the 47.5 acre Gilbert 4-Lot Subdivision Project in Richmond, Chittenden County, Vermont, as part of the Vermont Act 250 permitting process (Figures 1 and 2). Scott Dillon, field archaeologist for the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation (VDHP), visited the project area and identified a single cellar hole within the limits of proposed Lot #3, which is now owned by Erin C. Allan of Tucson, Arizona (Richmond Land Records [RLR] 239:263). Ms. Patricia Gilbert, with the assistance of Lamoureux and Dickinson, propose a 4-lot subdivision at the end of Palmer Road in Richmond, Vermont. The project parcel covers 57.35 acres, although the proposed lots only cover a 47.5 acres of this parcel.

The goal of this ARA is to provide sufficient information to gauge the potential significance of the historic archaeological resources within the proposed subdivision parcels, particularly Lot #3, and recommend whether or not further archaeological studies may be required as the project proceeds. A wide variety of archival sources were used in the preparation of this report including: historic maps, published town histories, land records, probate records, family genealogies, property surveys, newspapers, military pension records, town lotting plans, aerial photographs, town highway surveys, and census records. In addition, a field visit was made to the site on Monday, December 11, 2017.

## SITE DESCRIPTION

The cellar hole on Lot #3 of the Gilbert 4-Lot Subdivision Project is located just west of the northern end of Beatty Lane, a shared right-of-way within the proposed development, as far as it is presently completed (Figure 3). The site is situated about 349 m (1145 ft) east of Johnnie Brook<sup>i</sup> on a long west facing slight to moderate slope. The cellar hole is at about 281.9 m (925 ft) above mean sea level and 38.1 m (125 ft) above the level of Johnnie Brook. A small incised east to west flowing intermittent drainage (a minor tributary to Johnnie Brook) runs just north of the cellar hole at about 2 m (6.6 ft) below the level of the cellar. The cellar hole is roughly 7-8 m (23-26.4 ft) square. It has dry-laid fieldstone wall along its interior margin and is minimally 1 to 1.5 m (3.5 to 5 ft) deep (Figure 4). There is a possible chimney related feature (e.g. chimney base or collapsed material<sup>ii</sup>) within the cellar hole and, possibly, a small well located at the northwest corner of the cellar. However, these elements would need to be cleaned of leaf liter to be confirmed. According to the NRCS, the soils in the area of the cellar hole belong to the Lyman-Marlow complex (5-30% slopes). This group of soils consists of relatively shallow, somewhat excessively drained, stony loamy till common to glaciated uplands. In an earlier reconnaissance level soil survey of Vermont made in 1930, the soil in this area was classified as Woodbridge Loam (Stony Phase). According to the authors of that report, “the outstanding feature of this soil is the compact substratum, which retards the movement of water and root penetration. The 2-foot layer above the substratum is fairly well drained. Woodbridge loam occupies gently sloping hillsides which in most places receive a certain amount of seepage water from higher ground. This land is excellent for grass, but not particularly suited to other crops” (Latimer, Perkins, Lesh, Smith, and Goodman 1930:59-60). The ‘stony phase’ of this soil was reportedly “divided about equally between forest and pasture. It furnishes about the same quality of pasture as the typical soil, which may be considered good. It also includes a large acreage devoted to sugar maples” (Latimer, Perkins, Lesh, Smith, and Goodman 1930:60).

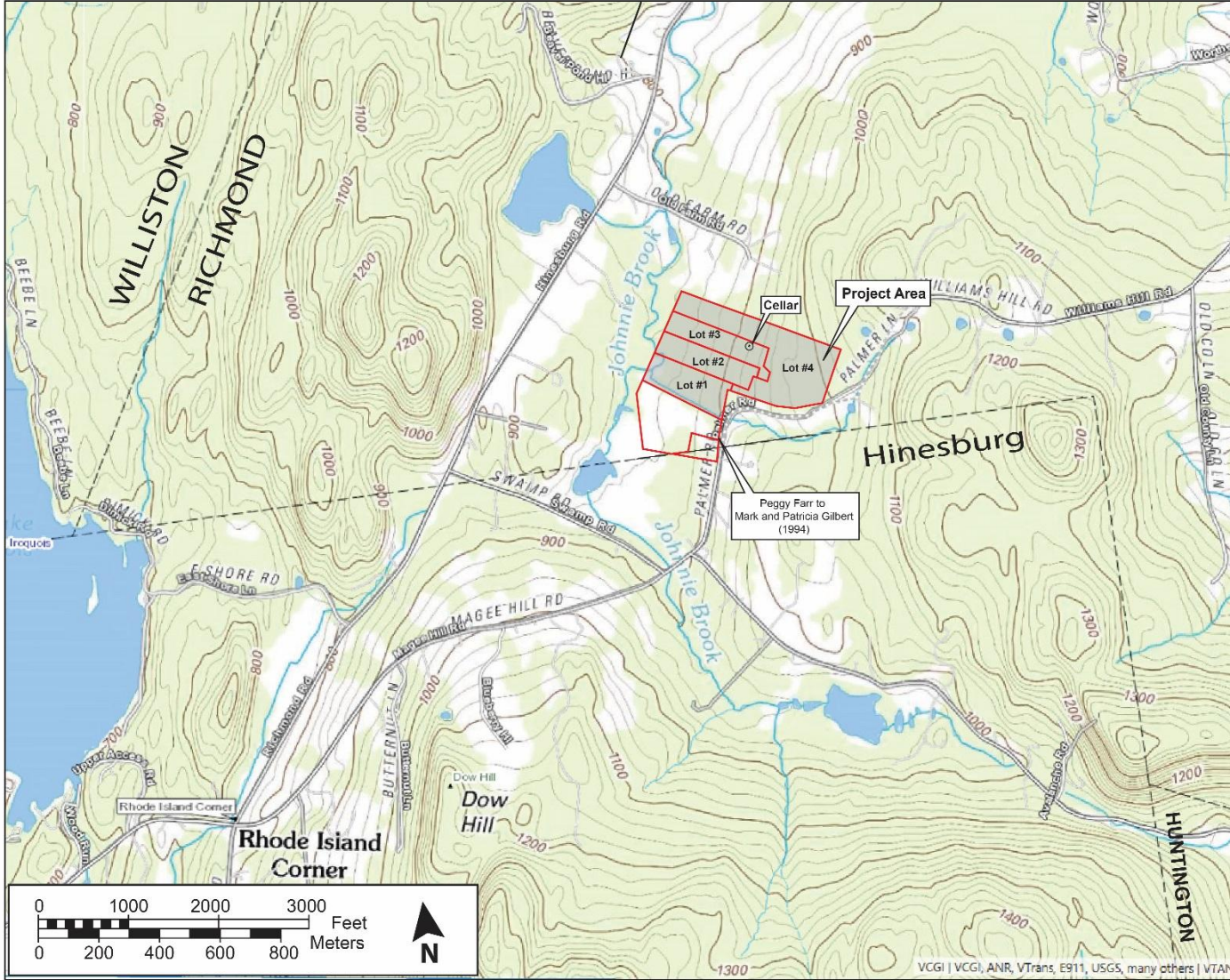


Figure 1. Location of the Gilbert 4-Lot Subdivision Project in Richmond, Chittenden County, Vermont.

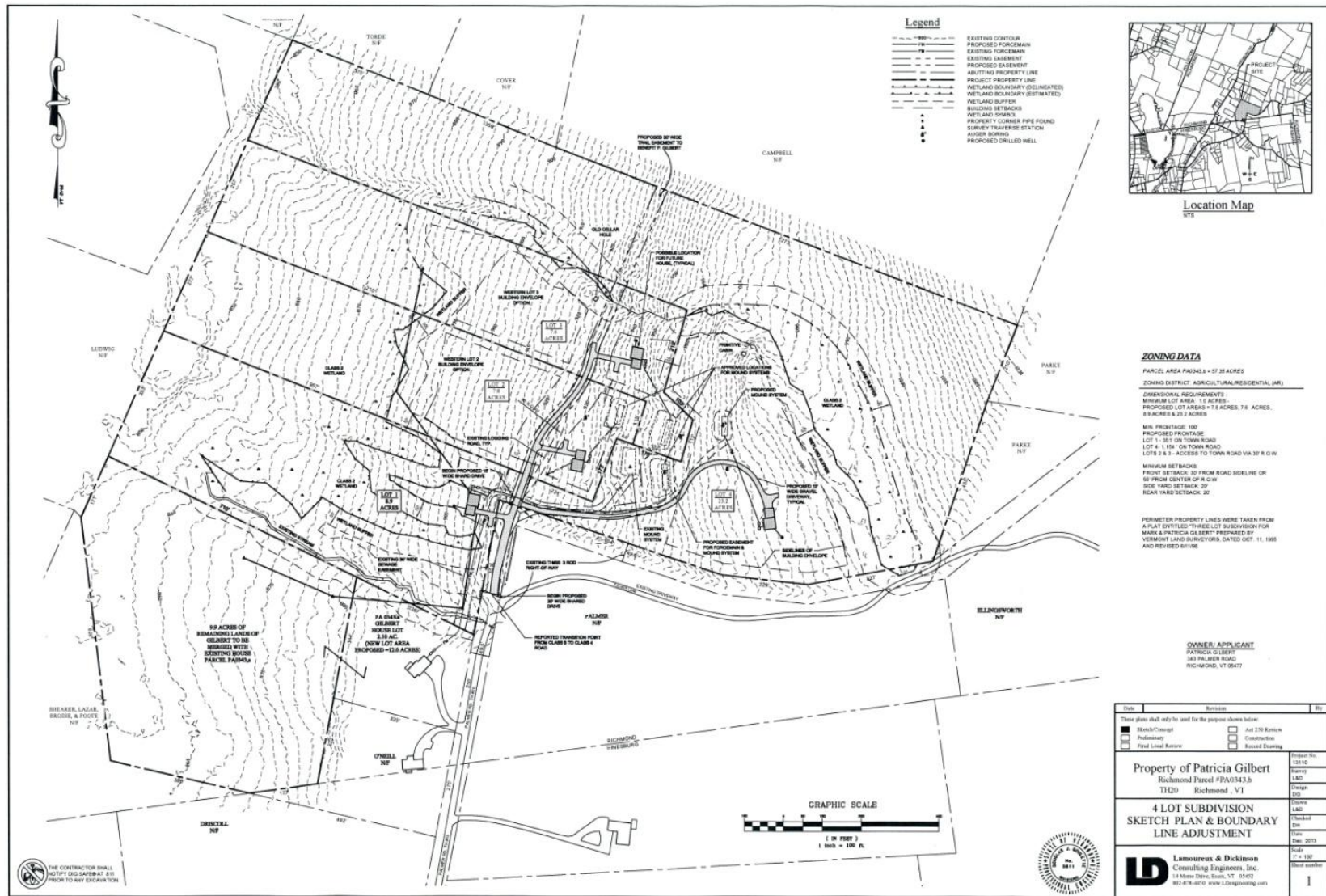


Figure 2. Project plans for the Gilbert 4-Lot Subdivision Project in Richmond, Chittenden County, Vermont (Goulette 2013).

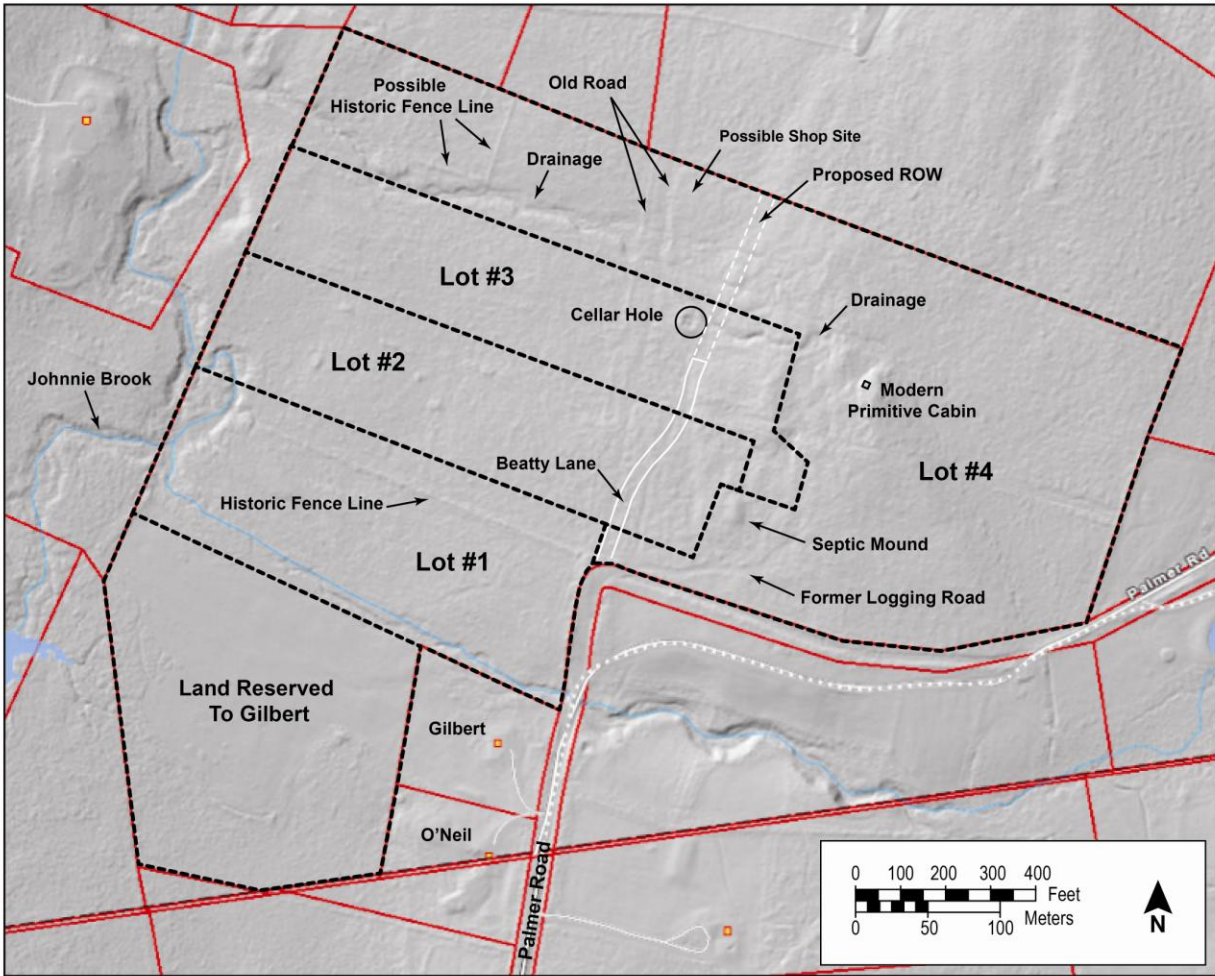


Figure 3. Hillshade LIDAR image showing the Gilbert 4-Lot Subdivision Project in Richmond, Chittenden County, Vermont (Base Map: Hillshade LIDAR image from VCGI:2017; additional information from Goulette 2013; Henson 2014a). Note that the southernmost “Historic Fence Line” labeled on this image was the dividing line between the Artemas Flagg farm and the Daniel/Rufus Bishop farm. This was also the location of a proposed ca. 1840 east-west road that would have connected the old north-south with the Hinesburg Road (County Road). This short road was discontinued in 1841. It is possible that Jonnie Brook proved to be too much of an obstacle.



Figure 4. View of the cellar hole on Lot #3 of the Gilbert 4-Lot Subdivision Project in Richmond, Chittenden County, Vermont, looking southwest (2017).

### HISTORIC BACKGROUND

The Vermont Legislature created the town of Richmond from the pre-existing towns of Williston, Huntington, and Jericho<sup>iii</sup> on October 27, 1794 (Riggs 2007:18). The current project area is located in the part of Richmond that was originally part of Williston. The immediate area was settled in the late 1700s and early 1800s by several families including those of Stephen Squires, Daniel Bishop, Henry Fay, and Ebenezer Flagg. Initially, the main north-south road leading from Fays Corners in Richmond to the north line of Hinesburg ran through this area (*Burlington Free Press* August 15, 1913; Richmond Town Records Vol. 2:162). The short north-south section of road, now called Palmer Road, is the only remnant of the old route still in use within the town of Richmond. Much of the old road was discontinued in the summer of 1841, after the north-south orientated Hinesburg Road (formerly called the County or Stage Road) was opened off to the west<sup>iv</sup> (Richmond Town Records Vol. 2:162; Walling 1857).

The research undertaken for this report indicates that the cellar hole on Lot #3 of the Gilbert 4-Lot Subdivision Project was related to the residence of Stephen Squires,<sup>v</sup> which was built ca. 1809-1812. According one of his daughters, Stephen Squires (1761-1813), moved to Clarendon, Rutland County, Vermont, with his parents<sup>vi</sup> early in his life (U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853). As a teenager during the Revolutionary War, he served in various state militia units<sup>vii</sup> from that town (Compiled Revolutionary War Service Records 1894-1912; U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853). In 1784, Stephen Squires worked a “chopping” job in the town of Salisbury, Vermont,

for Capt. Thomas Sawyer of Clarendon (U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853). Stephen Squires then moved to the Williston / Richmond / Huntington area prior to ca. 1788, and settled “about 1789 or 1790” in Sherman Hollow (possibly on a pitch) in what is today Huntington, but which was then still part of Williston<sup>viii</sup> (Hemenway 1867:814; Rann 1886:616; U.S. Census 1790).

In the fall of 1788 “or in the forepart of the winter” of 1788-1789, Stephen Squires married Bethiah<sup>ix</sup> (Bishop) Kellogg (1760-1860), the young widow of Ezekiel Kellogg, at the home of her brother, Daniel B. Bishop Jr. (1764-1844)<sup>x</sup> (Gravestone, Hill Cemetery, Richmond, Vermont; Hayden, Stevens, Wilbur, and Barnum 1916:392; New Hampshire Marriage and Divorce Records 1659-1947; U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853). Bethiah Bishop was a daughter of Daniel Bishop (1735-1821),<sup>xi</sup> and his wife, Betty Bowen (1736-1815), who were married in Rehohoth, Massachusetts, in 1759, and appear to have lived in Connecticut, and Swanzey, New Hampshire, before moving to “the south part of Richmond” in March of 1788 (Gravestone, Richmond Village Cemetery, Richmond, Vermont; Hayden, Stevens, Wilbur, and Barnum 1916:391-392; Massachusetts Compiled Marriages 1633-1850; Rann 1886:826; U.S. Census 1790, 1850; Vermont Secretary of State; Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908). While the family was in Swanzey, Bethiah Bishop married Ezekiel Kellogg (1750-1787) of Clarendon, Vermont, on November 6, 1783 (New Hampshire, Marriage and Divorce Records 1659-1947; Reed 1892:293). They had two children: Saul Kellogg (1784) and Jonathan Kellogg (1786)<sup>xii</sup> (U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853). After the death of her first husband at her father’s house in Swanzey, she moved to Richmond with her parents and at least a brother, Daniel jr., and a sister, Tamer (U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853). In addition to her two sons from her previous marriage, Stephen and Bethiah Squires had five children of their own including: Reuben (1790);<sup>xiii</sup> Betsey (1792); Ezekiel (1793/1794);<sup>xiv</sup> Eunice (1797);<sup>xv</sup> and Bethiah (1801)<sup>xvi</sup> (U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853).

In 1790 and 1791, Stephen Squires purchased land on Lots #196 and #198 in Sherman Hollow in the small corner of Williston that later became part of Huntington (sometimes referred to as the ‘Williston leg’) (Beers 1869; Rann 1886:616; RLR 1:15; WLR 1:80; 1:97; 1:104; 1:105; 2:16; 3:108; Williston Proprietors Records ca. 1804:148, 156, 159). In 1790, Stephen Squires’ household included three males under 16 years of age [Reuben Squires, infant; Jonathan Kellogg, 4; Saul Kellogg, 6]; one male over 16 [Stephen Squires, 29]; and one female over 16 [Bethiah Squires, 30] (U.S. Census 1790). In 1800, Stephen Squires’ household consisted of eight individuals, including one male under 10 [Ezekiel Squires, 6]; two males 10-15 [Reuben Squires, 10; Jonathan Kellogg, 14]; one male 16-25 [Saul Kellogg 16]; one male 26-44 [Stephen Squires, 39]; two females under 10 [Eunice Squires, 3; Betsey Squires, 8]; and one female 26-44 [Bethiah Squires, 40] (U.S. Census 1800).



In ca. 1809-1812, Stephen Squires acquired<sup>xvii</sup> a new 100 acre home farm<sup>xviii</sup> in Richmond near his brother-in-law's place from Selah Murray Esq. (1777-1847) of Williston (Figure 5) (Gravestone, Thomas Chittenden Cemetery, Williston, Vermont; Huntington Land Records 3:58; 4:132; Murray 1957:11, 39).<sup>xix</sup> This property included the current project area. The land was then known as the 'Murray Lot'<sup>xx</sup> and consisted of two adjacent parcels. The first piece was described as: beginning at a stake and stones in the west line of Lot #116; then N28R 67 rods (1105.5 ft) to the northwest corner of the lot; then S62E 200 rods (3300 ft)<sup>xxi</sup> to the northeast corner of Lot #130; then S28W 52 rods (858 ft); then N49W 32 rods (528 ft); then N65W 20 rods (330 ft); then N73W 20 rods (330 ft); then N68.5W 14 rods (231 ft); then N56W 14 rods (231 ft); then N61W 18 rods (297 ft); then N51W 14 rods (231 ft); then N67W 20 rods (330 ft); then N62'30"W 20 rods (330 ft); then on a right line to first mentioned bounds for a total of 65 acres (RLR 3:132). The second parcel was described as: beginning at the southeast corner of Lot #129 then running northerly on the east line of the lot 24 rods<sup>xxii</sup> (396 ft); then westerly to the west line of Lot #117 to a point 24 rods (396 ft) from the southwest corner of the lot for a total of 35 acres in Lots #117 and #129 (RLR 3:132).<sup>xxiii</sup>

In 1810, Stephen Squires' household included seven people: three young men<sup>xxiv</sup> [Ezekiel Squires, 17; Reuben Squires, 20; Jonathan Kellogg, 24], one male over 45 [Stephen Squires, 49], one female 10-15 [Eunice Squires, 13]; one female 16-25 [Betsey Squires, 18] and one female over 45 [Bethiah Squires, 50] (U.S. Census 1810). Stephen Squires died on March 19, 1813, at fifty-two years of age and was buried in the Hill Cemetery in Richmond (Gravestone, Hill Cemetery, Richmond, Vermont; U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853; Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908). His estate inventory showed that he owned three pieces of land at the time of his death (see Appendix 1). This included the 100 acre former Murray Lot in Richmond on which his buildings stood and on which his family lived valued at between \$700 to \$916 (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814; RLR 3:225); a 75-acre parcel in Hinesburg (being parts of Lots #127 and #128 in that town) on which he had twelve acres of winter wheat growing and a 25-acre lot also located in Hinesburg (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814; U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853). The 75-acre parcel in Hinesburg was sold at auction to cover Squires' debts in January of 1814 (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814). The 25 acres in Hinesburg was under a mortgage to Edward Allen (1763-1839) (a former comrade in arms of Stephen Squires) and was "given up" and "did not bring any reward" to the estate (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814; Gravestone, Hill Cemetery, Richmond, Vermont; U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853).

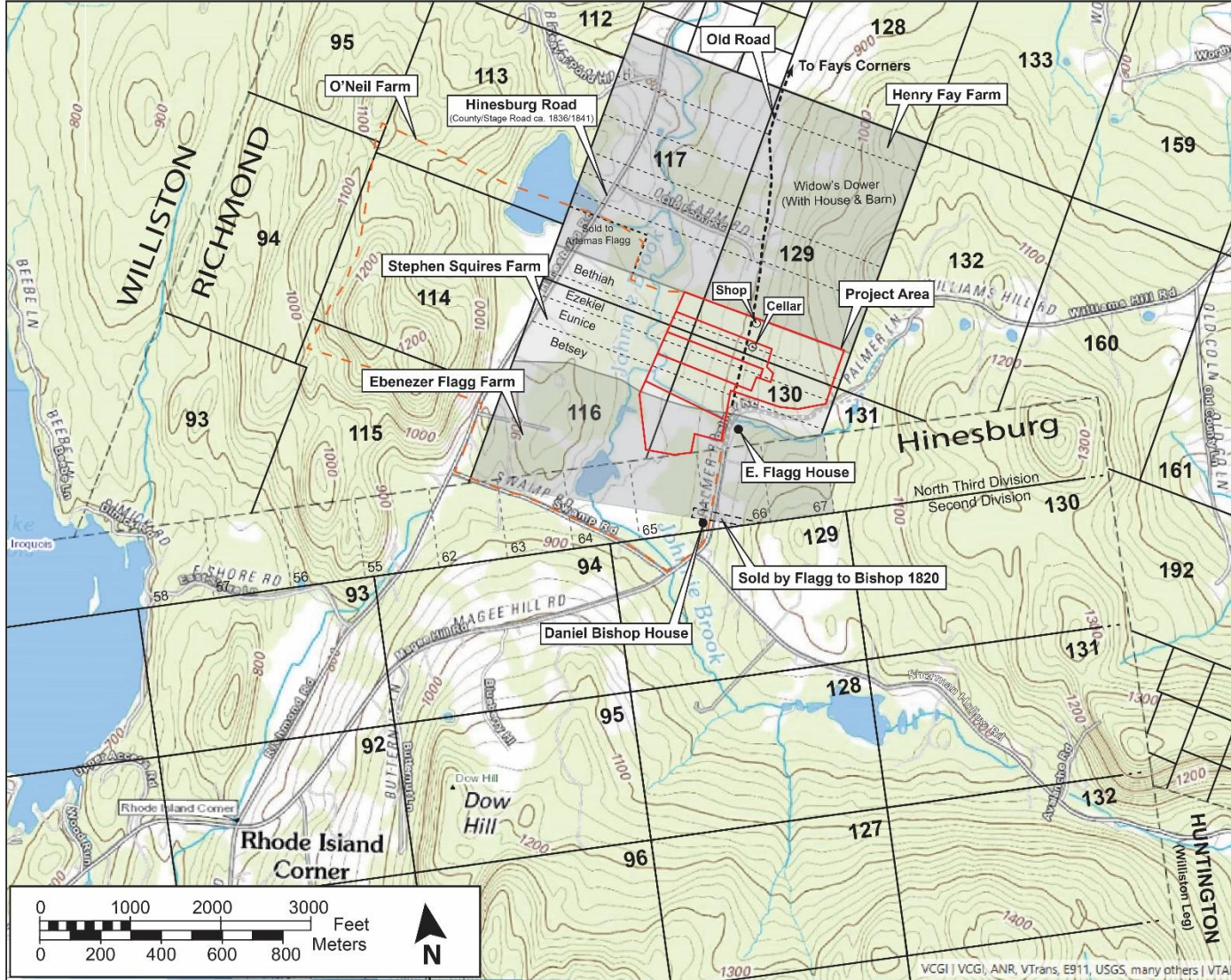


Figure 5. Reconstructed lotting plan for the area of the Richmond-Hinesburg town line near the current project area showing the farms of Stephen Squires, Henry Fay, and Ebenezer Flagg.

Stephen Squires' probate records also reveal several important aspects about his farm and his activities at the current project area. For example, the probate records indicate that Stephen Squires owned a number of cattle; including five cows (probably for cheese production<sup>xxv</sup>), five steers and six heifers (probably for beef); thirty-two sheep (probably for wool<sup>xxvi</sup>), ten pigs,<sup>xxvii</sup> and nine hens (probably for egg production) (see Appendix 1). He also raised crops including: rye, flax, corn, peas, wheat, potatoes, and hay (RLR 3:225). Furthermore, Stephen Squires owned four oxen (cattle trained to be draft animals) and a few axes/chains this may suggest that he did some 'wood chopping' on the side. Meanwhile, the "large wheel" or "great wheel," which was a hand turned device used for spinning fibers (e.g. flax or wool) or into yarn or thread; the two "foot wheels" or "treadle wheels," which were used for the same purpose as the large wheel, but which were powered by foot; a clock reel, a mechanical yarn measuring device, the loom; a quill wheel; and two reeds, suggest that cloth production was an important part of the family income.

After Stephen Squires' death, the family continued to live on the (new) home farm for a few more years. On January 6, 1814, John Fay, then the administrator of Stephen Squires' estate, completed the purchase of the 100 acres on which the family lived from Selah Murray for \$800

Ebenezer Flagg's eldest son, Artemas Flagg, was born on February 17, 1789, in Orwell, and moved with his family to Richmond in 1799 (Figure 6) (Flagg and Flagg 1907:36, 41). In 1812, while he was in his early 20s, Artemas Flagg bought fifty-three acres on Lot #137 in Richmond (RLR 3:70). He, however, sold his property a few years later in two sections, one in 1813 and the other in 1816 (RLR 3:288; 3:289). On September 6, 1817, Artemas Flagg married Betsey Squires (1792-1866), a daughter of Stephen and Bethiah Squires (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1828; Flagg and Flagg 1907:41). On June 1, 1819, Artemas Flagg and his wife, Betsey, sold the land that she had inherited from her father to his father, Ebenezer Flagg, for \$150 (RLR 4:283). On August 30, 1820, Artemas and Betsey Flagg bought the 74 acres (with the house) formerly owned by Stephen Squires from Ruben Squires and established their household (RLR 4:143; U.S. Census 1820).



Figure 6. Artemas Flagg (1789-1874) (Flagg and Flagg 1907:40/41).

Artemas and Betsey Flagg had five children including: Lucius H. (1818-1878); Azariah C. (1820-1897); Mary J. (1822-1883); Caroline E. (1823-1900); and Gershom H. (1825-1879)<sup>xxviii</sup> (Flagg and Flagg 1907:41-43). It was said that “the five children of Artemas Flagg were all noted singers, especially the eldest son, Lucius H. Flagg, "who is said by Boston people to be one of the best bass singers in New England<sup>xxix</sup>” (Flagg and Flagg 1907:41-42). Reportedly, Lucius, Gershom, Caroline and Mary gave concerts, often temperance orientated, in the towns around Richmond (Flagg and Flagg 1907:41-42). In addition to his children, Artemas Flagg’s mother-in-law lived with him, almost continuously,<sup>xxx</sup> from ca. 1821 until her death in 1860 at the advanced age of 100 years, 3 months, and 11 days (U.S. Census 1840, 1850, 1860; U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853; Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908).

On May 18 1822, Aretmas Flagg bought an additional ten acres adjoining his farm to the north from Betsey Fay and James Talcott, the administrator of Henry Fay’s estate, for \$60 (see Figure 5) (RLR 4:378). This land was described as being in Richmond, beginning at a stake and stones at the southwest corner of the Henry Fay farm (on which deceased formerly lived); then S62E 56 rods (924 ft); then N28E 28 rods (462 ft); then [N]62W 56 rods; then [southerly] to the first mentioned bounds (see Figure 5) (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1819; RLR 4:378). On November 14, 1826, Ebenezer and Artemas Flagg bought the hilly 100 acre “Galusha Lot” (Lot #114) from Truman Galusha (1786-1859) of Jericho<sup>xxxi</sup> (Gravestone, Pleasant View Cemetery, Jericho, Vermont; RLR 4:433). On May 31, 1827, Ebenezer and Artemas Flagg split this lot in half with Ebenezer getting the south half and Artemas getting the north half (RLR 5:499; 4:500). In ca. 1828, Artemas Flagg inherited the south half of Lot #114 from his father’s estate (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1828; RLR 5:8). Together, these parcels were Artemas Flagg’s home farm for many years<sup>xxxii</sup> (Figure 7). Deeds for an adjacent property indicate that Artemas Flagg had a “shop” near the north line of his farm on the east side of the old road<sup>xxxiii</sup> (see Figures 3, 5 and 7) (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1819; RLR 4:653). It is also likely that he had barns and other outbuildings on the property, though none are mentioned specifically in the sources used in this report.

Artemas Flagg was a farmer all his life (Flagg and Flagg 1907:41). He, however, also had a strong sense of civic duty. For example, he served as sergeant of militia during the War of 1812 (Flagg and Flagg 1907:41). Furthermore, his son, Gershom H. Flagg, later noted that: “there was not a year, during the active part of Father’s life, but what he held office of some kind, by election or appointment,--selectman, assessor, road commissioner, Justice of the Peace, and administrator in settling estates” and even served Richmond in the Vermont legislature in 1836-1837 (Flagg and Flagg 1907:41).

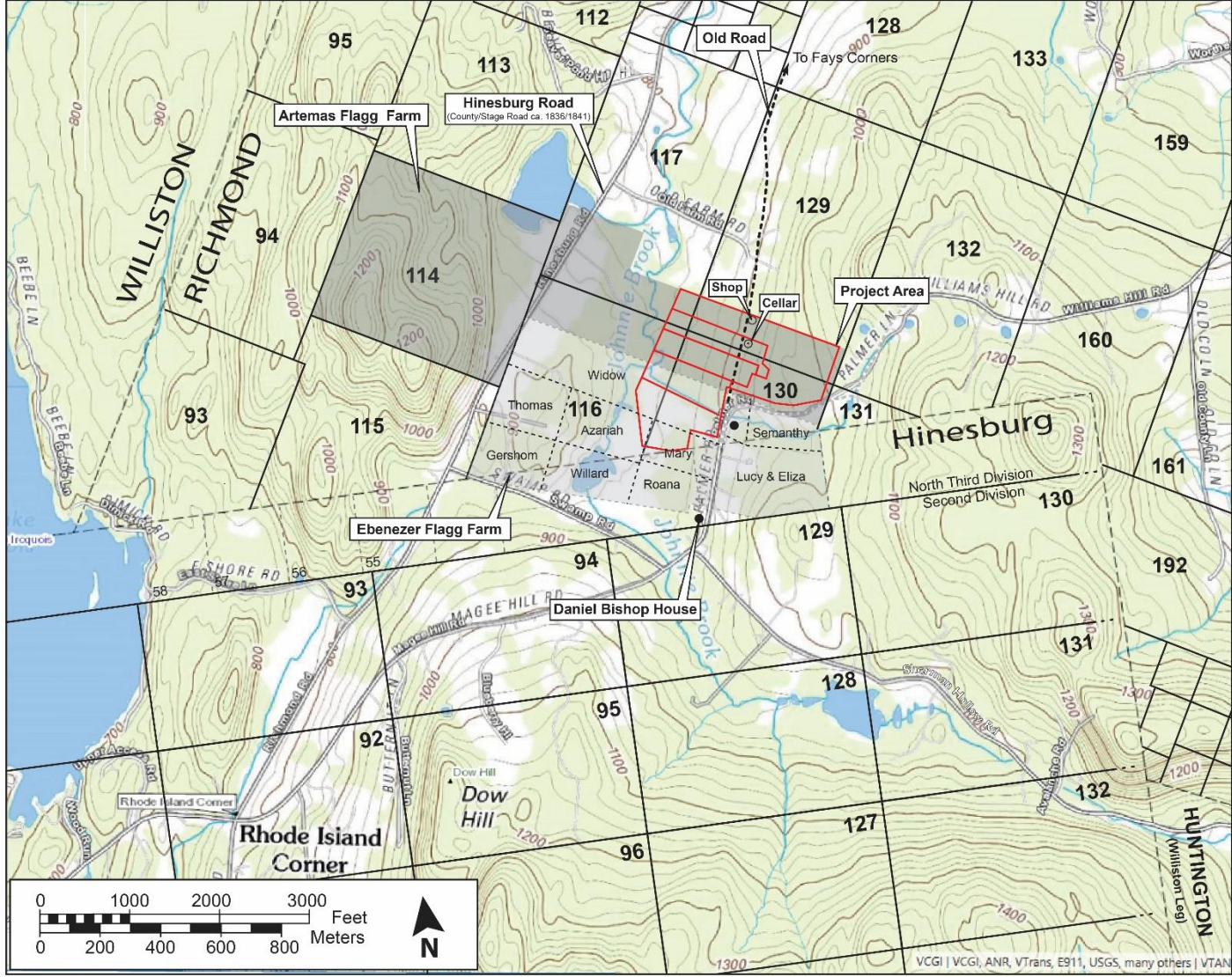


Figure 7. Reconstructed lotting plan for the area of the Richmond-Hinesburg town line near the current project area showing the farm of Artemas Flagg and the farm of Ebenezer Flagg ca. 1828.

It appears that Artemas Flagg built a new house/farmstead on the “new main road” (the County/Stage Road now called Hinesburg Road) in the 1840s (Figures 8 and 9) (Beers 1869; Walling 1857). In December of 1840, the selectmen of the Town of Richmond laid out a three rod wide road on the south line of Artemas Flagg’s farm (between Artemas Flagg’s farm and Rufus Bishop’s farm) beginning in the center of the ‘old road’ leading from Artemas Flagg’s to Hinesburg and running N60W 38 chains and 32 links (2529.3 ft) to the ‘county road’ leading from Richmond to Hinesburg (Richmond Town Records Volume 2:153) (see Figure 3). This road, however, was discontinued on July 12, 1841, along with the section of “the old road leading from what is called Fays Corner to Hinesburg” that started “at the bridge at the foot of the hill south of A. B. Murray’s house” and ran to “the dwelling house of Artemas Flagg” (Richmond Town Records Volume 2:162). By the time that H.F. Walling’s *Map of Chittenden County, Vermont* (1857), was surveyed only the County Road to Hinesburg was in regular use and no residential structures were indicated in the current project area (see Figures 8 and 9) (Walling 1857).

On March 1, 1873, Artemas Flagg sold his farm to Irish immigrants George Finley Sr. (1813-1897) and his wife, Mary (McKim) Finley (1817-1899), and his son, Thomas J. Finley<sup>xxxiv</sup> (Gravestones, Hinesburg Village Cemetery, Hinesburg, Vermont; RLR 11:408; U.S. Census 1880; Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Death Records 1909-2008). According to a family history, Artemas Flagg moved in with his son, Azariah C. Flagg, in “his latter years”<sup>xxxv</sup> and died on August 14, 1874, in Richmond (Flagg and Flagg 1907:41-42; Gravestone, Richmond Village Cemetery, Richmond, Vermont). On September 13, 1895, George and Mary Finley sold their half interest in the farm to their son, Thomas Finley (RLR 13:570). On June 25, 1910, Thomas Finley sold the farm to William and Mary McKee of Lawrence, New York (RLR 16:7). On July 9, 1910, just a few days after selling his farm, the single 60-year-old Thomas Finley, described as “a well-to-do farmer living on the road to Hinesburg,” apparently drowned himself “in a brook near his home” in a fit of insanity (*Burlington Free Press* July 11, 1910; U.S. Census 1880; Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Death Records 1909-2008). On September 2, 1910, William and Mary McKee transferred the farm to Thomas Finley’s brother, George R. Finley (1853-1910) (Gravestone, Hinesburg Village Cemetery, Hinesburg, Vermont; RLR 16:8; Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Death Records 1909-2008). George R. Finley immediately sold the farm to Arthur L. Johnson of Richmond on September 10, 1910 (RLR 16:11). Johnson used the farm as a rental property. One known tenant was Thomas Green who was there ca. 1913-1915 (*Burlington Free Press* August 15, 1913; RLR 16:152).

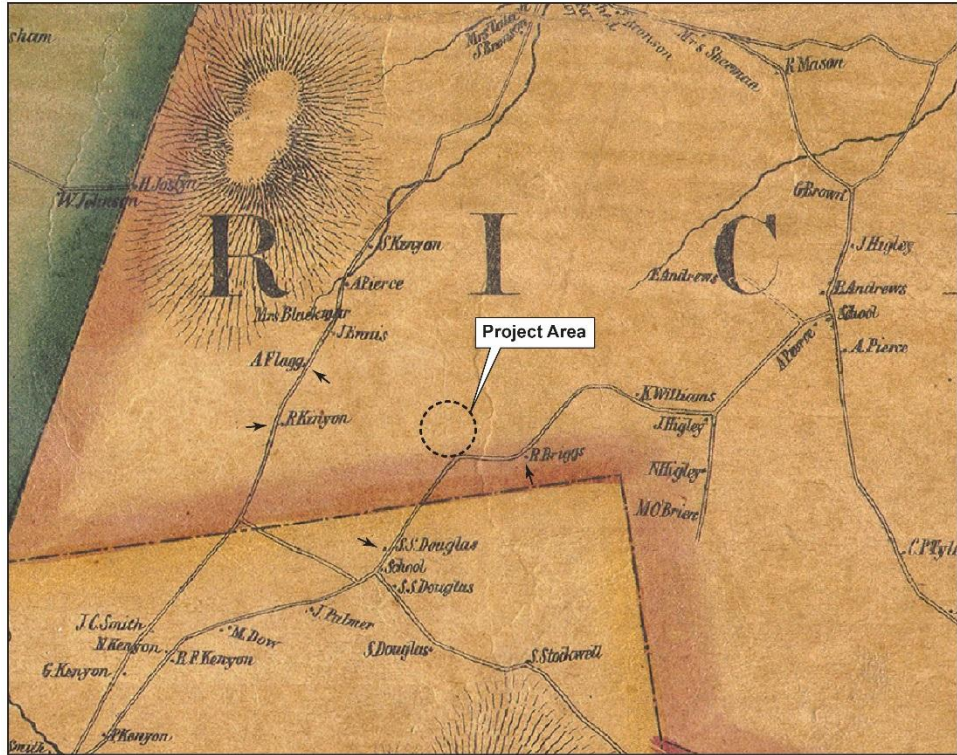


Figure 8. Detail of H.F. Walling's *Map of Chittenden County, Vermont* (1857).

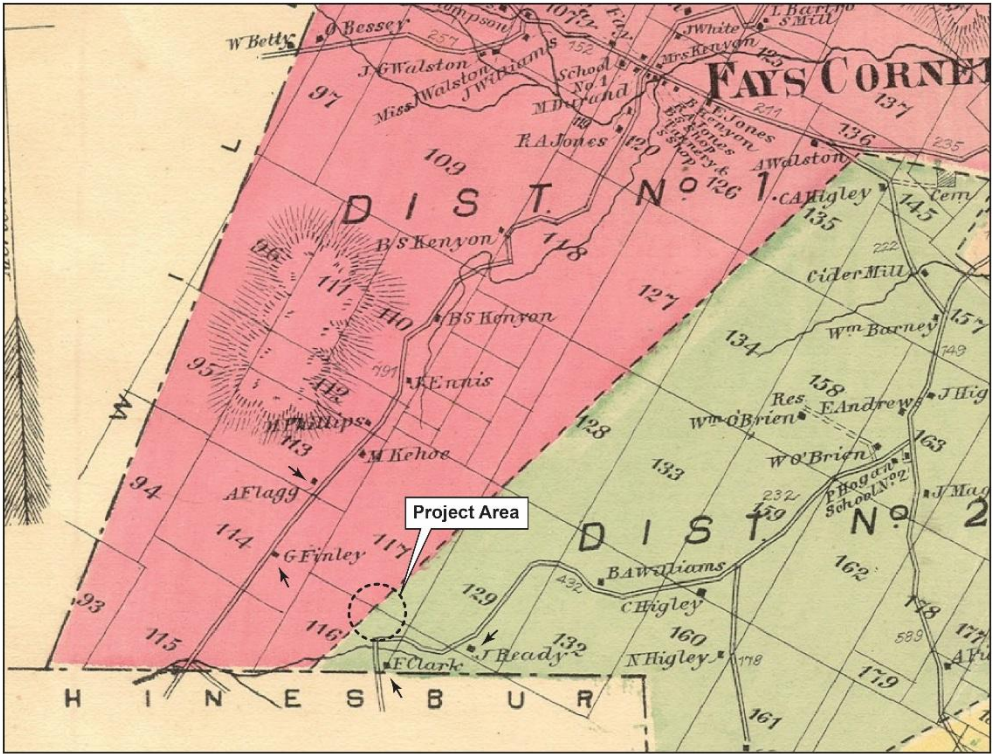


Figure 9. Detail of the map of "Richmond" from F.W. Beers' *Atlas of Chittenden County, Vermont* (1869). Note that the lot lines depicted on this map are not entirely accurate.

On September 7, 1915, Arthur Johnson sold the farm to J. E. Hunt, a real estate agent from Essex (*Burlington Clipper* February 28, 1903; RLR 16:152). On February 6, 1920, Hunt sold the farm to deputy sheriff Lee W. Ravlin and his wife, Sarah, of Colchester (RLR 17:104; U.S. Census 1920). The Ravlins made a deal with the Vermont Box Company for the “sale of standing timber on a portion of the land” on October 7, 1920 (see RLR 17:222). The Vermont Box Company, which was headquartered in Bristol, made boxes for the ‘Gillette Safety Razor Company’ around this time (*Burlington Free Press* February 12, 1921). On March 2, 1921, the Ravlins sold the property to George Chapin, a farm manager from South Burlington, and his wife, Bertha Chapin (RLR 17:152; U.S. Census 1920). On September 23, 1921, they sold it to Abraham M. Allen, a Syrian born grocer, from Burlington (RLR 17:177 U.S. Census 1920, 1930). On July 31, 1922, Allen sold the farm to Walter Tupper and Benjamin White both also of Burlington (RLR 17:206).

On May 17, 1923, Tupper and White sold the property to E. Perley Blondin and his wife, Elsie (RLR 17:222). They sold the farm to Joseph and Clara Dumas of Winooski on June 26, 1929 (RLR 19:91). Dumas sold the same property to two couples, Julius & Anna Murray and Harry & Mary Murray of Westford on October 7, 1931 (RLR 19:151; see also RLR 19:137 and 19:138). They sold the farm to Edward and Florence Murray on September 13, 1935 (RLR 20:36). Edward and Florence Murray lost the farm through a mortgage to the Capitol Savings & Trust Company on August 8, 1941 (RLR 21:83, 21:153). The farm was then bought by Willis E. (“Red”) Torrey (1884-1974), a native of Ferrisburg, and his wife, Edna Wiedenbacker, on October 20, 1942 (*Burlington Free Press* August 16, 1948 and June 4, 1974; RLR 21:260).

On November 20, 1943, Willis Torrey bought an additional “50-75 acres” of land bounded south by Swamp Road, west by the main road (Hinesburg Road), north by Willis Torrey’s own farm, and east by a short section of road leading north from Sherman Hollow Road (now known as Palmer Road) from Edward Reid<sup>xxxvi</sup> (see Appendix 2) (RLR 21:411). In January of 1953, Willis Torrey’s house on the Richmond-Hinesburg Road was destroyed by fire “after a stove pipe and chimney became overheated” (*Burlington Free Press* January 27, 1953 and February 6, 1953). This may have been the residence built by Artemas Flagg in the 1840s.

When they retired from farming, Willis and Edna Torrey sold their, now, 325 acre farm in Richmond and Hinesburg to James O’Neil on January 30, 1956 (*Burlington Free Press* June 4, 1974; RLR 24:8). James and Beatrice O’Neil sold their farm to Sumner F. and Peggy M. Farr on August 23, 1965 (RLR 25:441). On August 30, 1994, Peggy Farr sold approximately 61.87 acres<sup>xxxvii</sup> to Mark and Patricia Gilbert (see Figure 1) (Montrone 1993, 1994; RLR 91:257; Ward 1995). Mark Gilbert transferred his interest in this property to Patricia Gilbert on July 18, 2002 (RLR 131:509). Patricia Gilbert reserved some of the land for herself, then further subdivided the property for residential housing, including the present 4-lot project (Burke 2004; Goulette 2013; Henson 2014a, b). On February 9, 2017, Patricia Gilbert sold Lot #1 (8.9 acres RLR 239:263) and Lot #3 (7.65 acres) to Erin C. Allan of Tucson, Arizona, the latter being the one with the cellar hole on it (Goulette 2013; RLR 239:263). In examining the available 20<sup>th</sup> century USGS maps (USGS 1906, 1948, 1972, 1987) and aerial photographs (Air Mapping Corp. 1942; AreoGraphics Corp., 1974; Geotechnics & Resources Inc., 1962), no structures or major disturbances (excepting some possible logging activity) were identified in the project area (Figure 10). The area near the cellar hole was still semi-open in 1962/1974 and the present forest



has largely developed since then (AreoGraphics Corp. 1974; Geotechnics & Resources Inc. 1962).



Figure 10. Close-up view of an aerial photograph showing the project area in 1942 (Air Mapping Corp., 1942).

## **CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

The cellar hole identified on Lot #3 of the proposed Gilbert 4-Lot Subdivision Project in Richmond, Vermont was probably occupied between ca. 1809/1812 and ca. 1841. Stephen Squires built the house and lived there until 1813. It was occupied by his widow and children from 1813 to 1820, and it was then owned and occupied by his son-in-law, Artemas Flagg from 1820 to ca. 1841. This is an early 1800s residential site, which was essentially occupied by one family. It may have some important construction features and has been subjected to little post-occupational disturbances. Stones noted on the ground surface in the area just west of the cellar hole may or may not represent a barn site (e.g. an English style barn having no cellar). In addition to the above, there may be a “shop” associated with Artemas Flagg’s ownership of the property on Lot #4 of the Gilbert 4-Lot Subdivision Project. Although no clear aboveground evidence for this potential feature was observed during the field visit, it may be identifiable through a metal detector survey and/or limited subsurface testing.

Due to the antiquity of the Squires cellar hole and the continuity of the residence that it represents, this archaeological features is considered potentially significant. As a result, if the sites described above cannot be avoided by the proposed development (including the construction of houses, the installation of underground services, and/or any landscaping or driveway construction or by the extension of Beatty Lane northwards from its current position), then it is recommended that an Archaeological Phase I site identification survey be conducted. This work should include a general site clearance to expose any additional site elements, detailed mapping (using a total station and/or photogrammetry), and some subsurface testing (enough to provide sufficient data to evaluate the date and range of material present and to understand the general site formation process). However, if the site can be avoided, then it is recommended that at a minimum, the site, and general environs around the cellar hole, be surveyed and mapped as described above to document its existing condition and then to establish an appropriate and clear construction buffer. All this is recommended as part of the ACT 250 permitting process.

## Appendix 1

Inventory for the Estate of Stephen Squires of Richmond, Vermont (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814; RLR 3:225). The items in italics were listed in the distribution of the estate, but were not listed in the probate inventory.

<b>Group</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b><i>Land</i></b>	100 Acres with Buildings in Richmond (Bonded to Selah Murray)	\$700.00
	75 Acres In Hinesburg with 12 Acres of Winter Wheat growing on it (Mortgaged to Daniel Bennet)	\$300.00
	25 Acres in Hinesburg (Mortgaged to Edward Allen)	\$125.00
<b><i>Livestock</i></b>	One Yoke Oxen	\$65.00
	One Yoke 4-yr Old Oxen	\$47.50
	One Red Cow (with a white spot under her chops)	\$16.00
	One Red Cow [Dry?]	\$12.00
	One Red Cow (with a [?] on her horns)	\$16.00
	One Red Lineback Cow	\$13.00
	One Black & White Gray Cow	\$16.50
	One Yoke 3-yr Old Steer	\$5.50
	One White Faced 2-yr Old Steer	\$7.00
	One Brindle 2-yr Old Steer	\$5.50
	One 1-yr Old Steer	\$4.00
	One 1-yr Old Heifer Black & White Gray	\$3.00
	One Black 1-yr Old Steer	\$3.55
	One Black 3-yr Old Heifer	\$13.00
	One Red 3-yr Old Heifer	\$10.00
	One Red Lineback 3-yr Old Heifer	\$13.00
	One 3-yr Old Heifer	\$10.00
	One Lineback 3-yr Old Heifer	\$9.00
	One Gray Mare with Foal	\$30.00
	One Black Mare	\$30.00
	One Year-Old Colt	\$18.00
	Ten Hogs	\$45.00
	Nine Hens	\$1.12
	Thirty-Two Sheep @ \$1.25 ea.	\$40.00
	<i>One Brown Mare</i>	\$25.50
	<i>One Calf</i>	\$4.00
<b><i>Farm Equipment</i></b>	One Chain with Small Hook	\$2.00
	One Chain	\$2.00
	One Ox Yoke with Yoke Irons	\$2.50
	One Set Yoke Irons	\$1.17
	One Ax	\$1.00
	One Ax	\$0.50
	Two Axes @ \$0.12.5 ea.	\$0.25
	One Small Yoke with Staple	\$0.50
	One Set of Whiffletrees	\$0.75
	One Ox Sled	\$0.50
	One Plow	\$3.30
	One Cleavy and Pin	\$0.50
	One Horse Sled	\$1.50
	One Evener (with two small cleavy & pins)	\$1.00
	One Cleavy and Pin	\$0.75
	One Ox Drag	\$4.00

	One Scythe Snath [?] & Scythe	\$1.25
	One Scythe Snath [?] & Scythe	\$1.50
	One Grind Stone & Crank	\$3.50
	Three Pitchforks @ \$0.25 ea.	\$0.75
	Two Iron Wedges	\$1.00
	One Sickle	\$0.25
	One Half Inch Auger	\$0.25
	One Pair Sheep Shears	\$0.50
	One Old Scythe	\$0.25
	Three Pails	\$0.75
	One Inch & Half Auger	\$0.75
	<i>One Harrow</i>	\$4.25
	<i>One Small Auger</i>	\$0.30
<b><i>Kitchen</i></b>	Tongs	\$1.00
	One Pair of Andirons	\$2.00
	One Crane with the Hooks	\$2.00
	One Pair Steelyards	\$0.75
	One Tea Kettle	\$0.50
	One Small Pot	\$1.00
	One Spider	\$1.00
	One Small Spider	\$0.50
	One Pair Flatirons	\$1.00
	One Dish Kettle	\$1.00
	Two Candlesticks @ \$0.10 ea.	\$0.20
	One [?] Iron Kettle Old	\$1.00
	One Dish Kettle	\$1.00
	One Pot	\$1.00
	Eleven Milk Pans & One Cream Pot (Earthen) @ \$0.20 ea	\$2.40
	Seven Pewter Plates	\$1.50
	Two Pewter Platters @ \$0.50 ea.	\$1.00
	Two Pewter Basons [sic]	\$1.25
	One Block Tin Teapot	\$0.75
	One Stone Cream Pot	\$0.34
	One Earthen Cream Pot	\$0.20
	Nine Table Plates	\$0.75
	Three Bowls	\$0.25
	One Cream Pitcher	\$0.06
	One Black Cream Pitcher	\$0.08
	One Sugar Bowl	\$0.12
	One Jappaned Coffee Pot	\$0.20
	One Jappaned Coffee Pot	\$0.34
	One Jappaned Tumbler	\$0.06
	One Jappaned Tea Pot	\$0.50
	Quart Tin Cup	\$0.12
	Tin Plate with a cover	\$0.25
	Tin Canister	\$0.34
	Six Table Spoons	\$0.36
	One Quart Jappaned Cup	\$0.50
	One Jappaned Bread Pan	\$0.25
	One Tin Tumbler	\$0.25
	Two Tin Bason [sic]	\$0.18
	One Tin Cullender [sic]	\$0.20
	One Large Chain	\$0.25

	Two Wooden Bowls	\$0.50
	A Half Bushel	\$0.25
	One Wash Tub	\$0.25
	One Meal Chest [to store flour or grain]	\$0.75
	<i>Three Barrels</i>	\$3.00
<b>Home Manufactures</b>	One Foot Wheel	\$2.50
	One Large Foot Wheel	\$2.00
	One Clock Reel	\$0.50
	One Quill Wheel	\$0.50
	One Large Wheel	\$2.00
	One Loom	\$3.00
	Two Reeds	\$2.00
	69 lbs Sheeps Wool @ \$0.34 per. lb.	\$23.16
	One Cow Hide	\$2.00
	Three Sheep Skins	\$3.75
	Three Sheep Skins	\$3.00
	One Sheep Skin	\$2.50
	One Half Sheep Skin	\$1.25
	Three Sides of Sole Leather	\$0.75
	One Cow Hide	\$2.00
<b>Furniture</b>	One Chest	\$0.50
	One Chest	\$0.25
	One Chest	\$1.00
	One Bedstead	\$0.50
	One Bedstead	\$0.50
	One Bedstead	\$1.50
	One Bedstead	\$1.00
	One Bedstead	\$1.00
	One Chest of High Drawers	\$8.00
	Seven Chairs @ \$0.40 ea.	\$2.80
	One Cherry Table	\$1.00
	One Table	\$0.50
	One Large Clothes Basket	\$0.50
	One Feather bed bolster & pillows with under bed tick	\$10.00
	One Feather bed bolster & pillows with under bed tick	\$8.00
	One Feather Bed Bolster & Pillows & Straw Tick	\$10.00
	One Feather Bed Bolster & Pillows	\$10.00
<b>Personal</b>	One Book : ["Law on . . [Illegible]	\$0.50
	One Book: "An Appeal to Facts" [Religious Volume]	\$0.50
<b>Transportation</b>	One Sleigh (with the box)	\$9.00
	One Sleigh Harness with the Neck Yoke	\$27.00
	Old Sleigh Harness	\$2.00
	One Man's Saddle	\$4.00
	One Man's Saddle	\$2.00
	One Man's Saddle	\$2.50
	One Woman's Saddle	\$12.00
	One Bridle	\$0.75
	<i>Leading Lines</i>	\$5.00
	<i>One Harness</i>	\$2.50
<b>Provisions &amp; Crops</b>	Flour of Eleven Bushels of Wheat & Two Bushels of Rye	\$25.00
	Twelve Bushels of Wheat @ \$2.00 ea.	\$24.00
	Five Bushels of Corn @ \$1.50 ea.	\$7.50
	One Bushel of Seed Corn & Four Bushels of Rye @ \$1.50 ea.	\$7.50

	Seven Bushels of Peas & Two and a Half Bushel of Flax @ \$1.50 ea.	\$14.25
	Twelve Bushels of Salt @ \$2.50 ea.	\$30.00
	100 cwt of Hams	\$12.50
	One Barrel of Pork	\$20.00
	Half Barrel of Pork	\$8.00
	Fifty Bushels of Potatoes @ \$0.50 ea.	\$25.00
	160 lbs Cheese @ \$0.08 ea.	\$12.80
	Fifty Pounds of Flax @\$0.17 ea.	\$8.34
	<i>Ten Tons of Barn Hay</i>	\$60.00
	<i>Seven and a Half Tons of Stack Hay</i>	\$30.00
	<i>One Half Barrel Pork</i>	\$8.75
<b>Home Goods</b>	Four Linen Sheets @ \$0.75 ea.	\$3.00
	Four Checked and Wool Blankets	\$4.00
	One Calico Quilt	\$1.50
	One [Flannel?] Blanket	\$3.00
	One Cotton & Wool Coverlid [ <i>Rose Coverlid</i> ]	\$4.00
	One Red & Yellow Blanket	\$2.50
	One Checked Woolen Blanket	\$1.00
	Eight Woolen Sheets @ \$1.25 ea.	\$10.00
	Two Old Woolen Sheets	\$1.50
	One Checked Tow & Wool Blanket	\$3.00
	One [Flannel?] Blanket	\$4.00
	Eight Linen Sheets	\$8.00
	Four Linen Sheets	\$3.00
	Two Linen Sheets	\$1.50
	One Checked Woolen Blanket	\$5.00
	One Tow & Wool Blanket	\$0.75
	Nine Pairs Pillow Cases	\$2.25
	One Diaper Table Cloth	\$0.50
	Four Towells [sic] @ \$0.25 ea.	\$1.00
<b>Clothing</b>	One Loose Coat ( <i>Great Coat?</i> )	\$10.00
	One Short Bodied Coat	\$8.00
	One Short Bodied Coat	\$2.00
	One Waistcoat	\$1.00
	One Waistcoat	\$1.00
	Two Checked Woolen Shirts	\$2.00
	One Pair Striped Overhalls [sic]	\$1.00
	Two Linen Shirts	\$2.00
	One Hat	\$0.50
	One Pair of Boots	\$4.00
	<i>One Pair Linen Pantaloons</i>	\$1.25
	<i>One Pair Woolen Pantaloons</i>	\$2.50
<b>Notes Due to Estate</b>	Note of Enoch Noble	\$20.60
	Note of John Martin	\$8.00
	Note of Sylvester Russell	\$46.44
	Note of Ameriah Curtis	\$3.60
	Note of Aaron Warner	\$6.10
	Note of J. N. Barrows	\$1.00
	Note of Thomas Kimball	\$5.00
	Note of Moses Dow	\$4.45
	<i>Book Account vs. Allen Carpenter</i>	\$4.62
	<i>Book Account vs. J. Ellis</i>	\$1.00
<b>Illegible</b>	[S----]	\$0.50

	Large [T?]	\$0.50
	[C----]	\$0.75
	One [C---]	\$0.75

## Appendix 2: The Ebenezer Flagg Farm

In 1913, it was noted that: “Ebenezer Flagg . . . came from Orwell and located on the old road whose path can yet be seen, leading to Hinesburg about midway between the Ready place, on one side, and the Finley place [meaning the house of Artemas Flagg on Hinesburg Road], now occupied by Thomas Green. The old cellar is very distinct and big Lombardy [poplar trees] marks the site” (see Figure 9) (*Burlington Free Press* August 15, 1913). According to one great-grandson, Ralph E. Jones, “there used to be on the old road, two large trees that were shade for the old Flagg homestead, and the cellar was there for years; I used to visit the place when I was a youngster” (Flagg and Flagg 1907:37). Another grandson, Gershom H. Flagg, noted that “the old Flagg homestead (at Richmond, Vt) was partially cleared when Grandfather bought it; the building he put up himself, also the orchard; it is nearly gone (1875), a few trees are bearing yet. The house has been taken down and built over, the barn is still standing, the well is good. The land owned by Grandmother is now owned by an Irishman named Clarck [sic],<sup>xxxviii</sup> and the farm has all gone out of our name” (Flagg and Flagg 1907:37).

In his estate inventory, it was recorded that Ebenezer Flagg owned “187 acres of land and the buildings thereon standing” at the time of his death (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1828; Flagg and Flagg 1907:38). After his death, Ebenezer Flagg’s farm was divided into several small units among his widow and children (see Figure 7) (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1828; RLR 5:8). His widow, Elizabeth Flagg, received 40 acres “together with the two west rooms of the house with equal privileges of chamber & cellar and one equal third of the barn, house and barn both standing on said premises” (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1828; RLR 5:8). Artemas Flagg received 50 acres; Gershom Flagg 13 acres; Thomas Wait Flagg 13 acres; Willard Flagg 13 acres; Azariah Flagg 13 acres; Roana 13 acres; Mary 8  $\frac{3}{4}$  acres; Semanthy 5.5 acres and one half of house and  $\frac{2}{3}$ rds of the barn; and Lucy and Eliza 26  $\frac{3}{4}$  acres (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1828; RLR 5:8).

On August 2, 1830, Willard Flagg sold his 13 acres, located in both Richmond and Hinesburg, to the neighbor to the south, Daniel Bishop for \$100 (HLR 8:474; RLR 5:5). Also on August 2, 1830, Gershom Flagg sold his 13 acre share to Daniel Bishop for \$100 (RLR 4:670). On October 23, 1830, Thomas B. Wait Flagg (a minor) sold his 13 acre share of his father’s estate to Daniel Bishop through his guardian, Artemas Flagg, for \$100 (RLR 4:682). On March 11, 1831, Harley and Roana (Flagg) Pierce of Orwell sold her share of Ebenezer Flagg’s estate to Daniel Bishop for \$117<sup>xxxix</sup> (RLR 5:38). On September 12, 1836, Mary Flagg sold her share (8 $\frac{3}{4}$  acres) to her brother, Azariah C. Flagg of Albany, New York (RLR 6:61). Samantha (Flagg) Hoadley, and her husband, Enoch Hoadley, sold her six acre parcel to the neighbor to the east, Royal Briggs, on March 10, 1837<sup>xl</sup> (RLR 6:63).

By this time, Daniel Bishop (Jr)<sup>xli</sup> already owned a farm immediately south of Ebenezer Flagg’s farm. On December 26, 1831, Daniel Bishop sold his farm to his son, Rufus Bishop (1799-1872) (Gravestone, Pleasant View Cemetery, Jericho, Vermont; Hayden, Stevens, Wilbur, and Barnum 1916:393; RLR 5:373). On September 1, 1838, Artemas Flagg, Gershom Flagg, Samantha (Hoadley), Azariah Flagg, Thomas Wait Flagg, Lucy (Buell), Eliza (Liscum), Roanne (Pierce), and Mary Flagg all quit their claim to all of the the land set to the widow as her dower and to all the land that was set to Azariah and Mary, to Rufus Bishop (on the condition that he sell some of it to Royal Briggs)<sup>xlii</sup> (RLR 6:232). On January 3, 1839, Willard P. Flagg of LaSalle



County, Illinois, sold any residual claim he had to the estate Ebenezer Flagg to Rufus Bishop of Hinesburg (RLR 6:231). Although Rufus Bishop moved to Jericho in 1839, his father, Daniel remained on the farm on the Richmond-Hinesburg line (Hayden, Stevens, Wilbur, and Barnum 1916:393; RLR 6:375).

On October 19, 1841, Rufus Bishop sold the 300 acre farm on the Richmond–Hinesburg line, being “the farm I own where my father Daniel Bishop [Jr.] now lives,” to Seth L. Douglass (RLR 6:375). On March 26, 1859, Seth Douglass sold the land that he bought from Rufus Bishop, along with some additional land in Hinesburg that he bought from Orren Petton on February 12, 1849 (see HLR 13:11), to Edward Kehoe (ca. 1834-1894), formerly of Wexford, Ireland, for \$10,000 (Gravestone, Saint Mary Cemetery, Richmond, Vermont; RLR 9:270; Vermont State and Federal Naturalization Records 1790-1954). The now approximately 500 acre Bishop / Kehoe Farm was made up of land in Hinesburg including 50 acres from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Lot #126, the whole 100 acres of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Lot #127, the whole 100 acres of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Lot #128, the whole 100 acres of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Lot #129; 25 acres of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Lot #133; and 90 acres of the “north third division” in Hinesburg; along with a parcel of land in Richmond, “which is contiguous to the foregoing which for many years have been recognized and regarded as part of said farm” (RLR 21:92, 21:201). The last mentioned two parcels include the majority of the old Ebenezer Flagg farm.

Upon his death, Edward Kehoe’s property passed to a sister, Mary Kehoe, and a niece, Lizzie Kehoe (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1894). On January 9, 1902, Mary and Lizzie Kehoe sold this farm to Frank and Lottie Andrews (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1894; RLR 14:201). On January 20, 1913, Frank and Lottie Andrews (of Shelburne) sold the property to Alexander Miner (RLR 16:80). On October 22, 1917, Alexander and Mary Miner sold the property to Abraham Wortheim (RLR 17:19). On October 27, 1919, Abraham Wortheim sold the farm to William and Sarah Cubbitt & Neil Cubbitt (RLR 17:86). On July 7, 1924, the farm was sold back to Abraham Wortheim (RLR 18:160; see also 19:236). On February 8, 1927, Abraham Wortheim sold the same property to Peter and Grace Bolio of Burlington (RLR 19:18). The 1920 census indicates that Peter Bolio (43) was a laborer in the woolen mills in Colchester (U.S. Census 1820). On December 3, 1927, Peter and Grace Bolio sold the farm (with the buildings on Sherman Hollow) to Harley W. and Margaret Chittenden of South Burlington (RLR 19:295). Harley Chittenden was a WWI veteran who once ran for States Attorney of Chittenden County (*Burlington Free Press* September 9, 1930).

On March 30, 1928, Harley W. and Margaret Chittenden sold the farm to two couples John and Emma Forms & Perley and Corrine DeForge (RLR 19:55). On June 12, 1928, the farm was sold to E.P. and Nora Tucker (RLR 19:67). On May 2, 1931, the Tuckers sold the farm to George W. and Maddie [sic] Currier of Duxbury (RLR 20:13). On May 15, 1935, the Curriers sold the property to Edward H. Reid and M. W. Hinsdale (RLR 20:15; see also 19:265; 20:8). On November 26, 1935, Hinsdale sold his interest in the property to Edward H. Reid (1877-1966), a native of Hinesburg who was later a resident of Burlington where he was a “funeral director and businessman” (*Burlington Free Press* September 15, 1966; RLR 20:77).

In February of 1937, Edward Reid sold the property to Joseph Palmer (ca. 1885-1941) a native of Ferrisburg, but then a resident of Hinesburg (*Burlington Free Press* November 4, 1941;

RLR 20:78). At the time, the land and buildings was locally known as the "Kehoe farm," and was bounded north by the Eddie Murray Farm (formerly the Squire/Flagg/Finley Farm) (RLR 20:78). On December 7, 1940, Joseph and Ethel Palmer sold this property to Katherine P. Tedford (RLR 21:70; see also 21:92). Tedford sold the property to Edward Reid in October of 1941 (RLR 21:201). On November 20, 1943, Edward Reid sold 50-75 acres of this farm to Raymond Torrey (RLR 21:411). The part of Reid's farm that was sold included no buildings and was bounded south by Swamp Road; north by Willis Torrey's farm, east by Sherman Hollow Road and by a lane that heads north of Sherman Hollow (RLR 21:411).

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<sup>iii</sup> Additional land was added to the east side of Richmond from the town of Bolton in 1804 (Riggs 2007:18, 22-23).

<sup>iv</sup> The County or Stage Road running through Richmond between Jericho and Hinesburg, which is now, in part, known as Hinesburg Road, was surveyed a committee appointed by the Vermont Supreme Court ca. 1836-1837 (Richmond Town Records Vol.2:81, 88, 129; Riggs 2007:249). However, the town of Richmond had great difficulty in opening the road as ordered and it took until ca. 1841 for the whole route to be completed. Discussions on funding the construction of this road occurred at town meetings in 1837, 1838, 1839, 1840, and 1841 (Richmond Town Records Vol.2:81, 88, 103, 104, 111, 114, 123, 124, 129, 144, 153). The town was even fined \$300 in 1839 for its failure to open the road in a timely manner (Richmond Town Records Vol.2:111;124).

<sup>v</sup> Also spelled “Squire” in some historical records, but it is “Squires” on his gravestone (Gravestone, Hill Cemetery, Richmond, Vermont).

<sup>vi</sup> As of the writing of this report, little is known of Stephen Squires’ parents. He *may* have been related to Reuben/Rubin, Ebenezer, or John or Squires. Reuben/Rubin Squires of Clarendon signed petitions sent to the state legislature in both 1777 and 1778 (MsVSP [Manuscript Vermont State Papers] Vol. 37:63; Vol. 37:100). John Squires was in Clarendon by the 1780s and may have served in a Revolutionary War unit from that town (Fisher and Fisher 1992:464; Vermont Compiled Census and Census Substitutes Index 1790-1860). An Ebenezer Squires served in a Revolutionary War unit from Clarendon (Fisher and Fisher 1992:464). According to the pension application made by Stephen Squires’ widow, her husband at least had one sister, Elizabeth Squires, who married a man named Martin and moved to Middlebury, Vermont, and a nephew named Eli Squires (U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853).

<sup>vii</sup> Reportedly, his service included time in Capt. Thomas Sawyer’s company of Gideon Warren’s 15<sup>th</sup> Regiment in 1778 and 1781; in Capt. Tahan Noble’s company in Ira Allen’s Regiment in 1779; and in Lt. Everts Company of Rangers (Compiled Revolutionary War Service Records; U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853).

<sup>viii</sup> A Richard Squires also appears to have settled a pitch in Williston around this same time (MsVSP Vol. 20:363).

<sup>ix</sup> Sometimes spelled “Bethia.”

<sup>x</sup> Daniel Bishop Jr. is listed in 1800, 1810 and 1820 in Hinesburg (U.S. Census 1800, 1810, 1820).

<sup>xi</sup> Daniel Bishop Sr.’s children included, but may not have been limited to: Berthia (1760); Betsey (1768); Daniel (1764); Tamer (d. young); Comfort (1769); Mary (1767); Benjamin (1773); Tamer (1767); Abeleana (1775); and Amos (1762) (Rann 1886:826).

<sup>xii</sup> Jonathan Kellogg moved to Huntington ca. 1812, where he owned a part of Stephen Squires’ old farm in that town in partnership with his step-brother, Reuben Squires (Huntington Land Records 4:132; U.S. Census 1810). Jonathan Kellogg married Betsey Brand (ca. 1790-1863) in Huntington on November 29, 1814 (Gravestone, Maplewood Cemetery, Huntington, Vermont; Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908). They had one daughter, Bethia Kellogg (b. ca. 1814), who later married Wilson Phillips of Huntington (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1815; Gravestone, Maplewood Cemetery, Huntington, Vermont). Jonathan Kellogg died in Huntington ca. 1815 (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1815; Huntington Land Records 5:328; 5:329). Betsey Kellogg subsequently married Israel Sheldon of Huntington (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1815; Gravestone [for Betsey (Brand) Sheldon], Maplewood Cemetery, Huntington, Vermont).

<sup>xiii</sup> The 1820 census indicates that Reuben Squires then lived in Richmond, Vermont, and he is recorded in a land sale as a resident of Richmond in 1827 (RLR 4:579; U.S. Census 1820). After this, however, his whereabouts is not known as of the writing of this report.

<sup>xiv</sup> Ezekiel Squires (1793/1794-1864) married Persis Hoadley (1802-1884); they lived in Huntington in 1820, but moved to Wisconsin prior to 1850 (Gravestone, Rock Hill Cemetery, West Baraboo, Wisconsin; Trowbridge 1894:209; U.S. Census 1820, 1850). Persis Hoadley was a daughter of Jonathan Hoadley (1775-1861), a cooper, and his wife, Lydia Jaquith (?-1848) (Trowbridge 1894:208-209). Jonathan Hoadley, was born “near Boston” and lived in Hartland, Vermont, Willsboro, New York, Charlotte, Vermont, Hinesburg, Vermont, and Westville Center, New York (Trowbridge 1894:208-209). Her brother, Enoch Hoadley (1800-1882), married Semantha Flagg, daughter of Ebenezer Flagg, of Richmond, in 1799 (Trowbridge 1894:209).

<sup>xv</sup> Eunice Squires (1797-1881) married John Snyder (1794-1878) on November 18, 1818, in Richmond (Gravestones, East Cemetery, Williston, Vermont; Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908). They have lived in Huntington in the 1830s and 1840s, but eventually moved to Williston where they owned a farm for many years (U.S. Census 1830, 1840, 1850, 1870).

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<sup>xvi</sup> Bethiah Squires (b. ca. 1801) is listed as a child born to Stephen and Bethiah Squires in her widow's military pension application, but the child was not included in the 1810 census and was not mentioned in her father's probate records of ca. 1814 (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814; U.S. Census 1810; U.S. Pension Bureau ca. 1853).

<sup>xvii</sup> More specifically, Stephen Squires had apparently received a bond for deed from Selah Murray (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814). A "bond for deed" is a contract (not a deed) to sell property in which the set purchase price is paid by the buyer to the seller in installments and in which the seller, after receiving payment of a stipulated sum, agrees to deliver title to the buyer. This arrangement allows the seller to retain title of the property until payment is made. In this case, the price was set at \$800 and Stephen Squires may have "forfeited previous" to his [Squire's] death (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814). However, Selah Murray eventually did sell the land to Squires' estate.

<sup>xviii</sup> Of Stephen Squire's land in the part of Williston that became part of Huntington, he sold 75.5 acres to Bigford Spooner on May 19, 1798 (Huntington Land Records 1:321). On November 19, 1798, he sold 50 acres to William Barrett (Huntington Land Records 2:73). On February 27, 1806, Stephen Squires issued a perpetual lease (with an option to buy) for 192 acres to William White (Huntington Land Records 3:58). White is listed in Huntington in the 1810 census; but not in the 1820 census (U.S. Census 1810, 1820). Part of the rent on this land was due in neat cattle and White was required to keep the barn in repair and had to set out a nursery of 1000 apple trees (Huntington Land Records 3:58). On October 26, 1812, Stephen Squires sold 95 acres to his son, Reuben Squire, and his step-son Jonathan Kellogg (Huntington Land Records 4:132).

<sup>xix</sup> Base Map: VCGI topographic; Additional data from: Burke 2004; Chittenden County Probate Records 1814, 1819, 1828; Goulette 2013; Henson 2014a, b; Hinesburg Proprietors Records; Johnson n.d.; Montrone 1993, 1994; NEMRC GIS 2017; Ward 1995; Williston Proprietors Records ca. 1804 and many of the land records referenced in this report as well as RLR 3:294, 3:395

<sup>xx</sup> The 'Murray Lot' was created by Selah Murray's father, Beriah Murray (sometimes spelled "Murry"). Beriah Murray (1746-1820) was a native of East Guilford (now Madison), Connecticut (Murray 1957:4, 11; U.S. Sons of the American Revolution Membership Applications 1889-1970; Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908). He married Mary Meeker (1749-1824) in Durham, Connecticut, in 1764, and moved to Claremont, New Hampshire, by ca. 1768 (Murray 1957: 11; U.S. Sons of the American Revolution Membership Applications 1889-1970; Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908). During the Revolutionary War, he served twice in Col. Benjamin Bellows' New Hampshire militia regiment (Carleton 1903:717; Fowler 1866:304; Murray 1957:11). Later, he held the reputation of being "a famous hunter" (e.g. pelts) (Child 1882:256; Rann 1886:606). He also invested in Vermont land. He owned lots in Williston/Richmond (including, but not necessarily limited to, parts of Lots #64, #65, #67, #68, #117, #129, and #130) and in Hinesburg (including mill privileges) (Child 1882:207; Williston Proprietors Records ca. 1804:100,108, 107, 152, 154). Although he was in the area as early as 1784, it appears that Beriah Murray only moved from Claremont to Williston for good ca. 1791-1795 and settled "in the southern part" of the town, (possibly on Lots #64, #65, #67, being lots that remained in Williston after the creation of Richmond located north of 'Hinesburg Pond' (now known as Lake Iroquois) (Murray 1957:11; Rann 1886:707; U.S. Census 1790, 1800, 1810; WLR 1:15; 1:63; 1:64; 1:65; 1:97; 2:96; 2:99). Beriah Murray created the "Murray Lot," by buying 35 acres from Henry Fay (from the farm that Henry Fay then occupied) on August 18, 1784 (WLR 2:96) and 65 acres from Job Spafford on November 21, 1785 (WLR 1:5). Note: in these deeds, the lot numbers are different than the ones introduced in the re-survey of the town of Williston made ca. 1804, which apparently also covered the land transferred to the Town of Richmond. Beriah and Mary Murray had thirteen children including: Sabina/Sabra (ca. 1764-1807); Curtis (1767-1831); Calvin (1769-1822); Surkenath Mackenzie "Mack" (1771-? [aft. 1832]); Asabel (1773-1823); Beriah Jr. (1775-1854); Selah (1777-1847); Mary (1780-1852); Rose/Rosa (1782-1872); Warren (1784-1847); Harvey (1788-1863); Tamar (1791-1871; and Allen (1793-1855) (Gravestones, Thomas Chittenden Cemetery, Williston, Vermont; Murray 1957:11, 36-41; Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center ca. 1832; Waite 1895:318). In time, Beriah Murray gave away several pieces of land to his sons (e.g. WLR 1:15; 1:63; 1:65). On September 5, 1809, Beriah Murray gave the "Murray Lot" to his son, Selah Murray, for "the love and goodwill I have" (RLR 2:433). However, it was noted that the land was to be valued at \$400 on Selah's share of his eventual estate (RLR 2:433). No buildings were mentioned in this deed and it appears that Selah Murray had already established his own home in Williston "in the east part of the town, about half a mile south from the turnpike road," possibly on Lots #63, #69, and #71 (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1847; Rann 1886:709; U.S. Census 1810, 1820, 1830, 1840).

<sup>xxi</sup> Later deeds indicate that this measurement should have been recorded as 214 rods (3,531 ft).

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<sup>xxii</sup> In the original deed, Henry Fay sold a “28 rod” (462 ft) wide strip off his farm to Beriah Murray (WLR 2:96). However, the subsequent deeds say 24 rods.

<sup>xxiii</sup> Note that the ‘calls’ in this land description are slightly different than those listed in the previous sales of this same land (see WLR 1:5; RLR 2:433), but the above description appears to be more accurate.

<sup>xxiv</sup> The original records says three males 10-15

<sup>xxv</sup> In addition to the cows, the probate inventory also listed 160 lbs. of cheese, eleven milk pans (for separating milk), and two “dish kettles” (large multi-purpose open mouth pots having a swing bail handle that could have been used to warm a significant volume of skim milk for cheese making) (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814).

<sup>xxvi</sup> In addition to the sheep, the probate inventory also listed a pair of sheep shears and 69 lbs. of wool (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814).

<sup>xxvii</sup> In addition to the pigs, the probate inventory also listed 100 cwt of hams and 12 bushels of salt (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1814). “Ham” is the hind leg of a prime pig cured by the dry salting method or smoked.

<sup>xxviii</sup> Lucius Flagg was a blacksmith who moved to Illinois in 1850; Azariah C. Flagg was farmer and box maker who stayed in the area; Mary J. Flagg died unmarried; Caroline E. Flagg married Ransom A. Jones and was a school teacher in Burlington; Gershom H. Flagg taught music in Hinesburg and Richmond before serving in the Civil War after which he settled in New Orleans (Flagg and Flagg 1907:41-43).

<sup>xxix</sup> Lucius H. Flagg even toured with the noted ‘Peake Family’ of singers for a time (Flagg and Flagg 1907:41-42).

<sup>xxx</sup> The only known exception being when Bethiah Squires married her third husband, Abijah Brown (1755-1835), of Waitsfield, Vermont, on January 19, 1834 (Jones 1909:246). Brown was a Revolutionary War veteran and widower (Jones 1909:246). He had moved from Rutland, Massachusetts, to Swanzey, New Hampshire, in 1777, then to Fayston, Vermont, in 1828, and, finally, to Waitsfield, Vermont, in 1833 (Jones 1909:246). This marriage, however, was short lived as Abijah Brown died on January 10, 1835 (Jones 1909:246). Afterwards, Bethiah (Bishop/Squires) Brown moved back to Richmond to live with her son-in-law (Jones 1909:246; U.S. Census 1850, 1860).

<sup>xxxi</sup> Truman Galusha was a son of Jonas (1753-1834) and Mary (Chittenden) Galusha (1758-1794)<sup>xxxii</sup> of Shaftsbury, Vermont (Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908). After his service in the Revolutionary War, Jonas Galusha became a sheriff and then a judge (Rann 1886:747-148). He served on the Vermont Supreme Court 1807-1808 and then became the Governor of Vermont 1809-1812 and 1812-1819 (Rann 1886:747-148). Jonas Galusha’s first wife was a daughter of Gov. Thomas Chittenden of Williston (Rann 1886:747-148). Jonas Galusha acquired Lots #113 and #114 in Williston prior to 1804 (Williston Proprietors Records ca. 1804:98-99). On February 28, 1824, Jonas Galusha sold Lots #95, #113, and #114 (now in Richmond) to his son, Truman Galusha, for \$600 (RLR 4:233).

<sup>xxxii</sup> His farm included 74 acres of the former Stephen Squires farm, 10 acres from the Henry Fay farm, and the whole 100 acres of Lot #114. Note: on January 1, 1859, John and Eunice (Squires) Snyder issued a quit claim deed to her share of her father’s (Stephen Squires) land to Artemas Flagg (RLR 10:677). This deed may have been issued to clear a technicality.

<sup>xxxiii</sup> This would be in Lot #4 of the Gilbert Subdivision Project.

<sup>xxxiv</sup> This was his whole farm except for  $\frac{3}{4}$  acres sold to Royal Briggs in 1838 (RLR 6:158) and  $1\frac{3}{4}$  acres sold to Nathan Kenyon in 1845 (RLR 7:144). The piece sold to Royal Briggs was a corner of the Flagg farm lying south of the road to Briggs’ house (RLR 6:158). The piece sold to Kenyon was a corner of the Galusha lot bound east by E. Bishop; south by D. Kenyon and west by the County Road (see Figure 8) (RLR 7:144).

<sup>xxxv</sup> Of Azariah C. Flagg it was said that “about 1854, he bought a fine farm of 170 acres on Onion River, paying \$4500 for the place. About 1865, he exchanged this farm for Murray Fay’s, nearer his father’s home” (Flagg and Flagg 1907:43).

<sup>xxxvi</sup> Except for a 0.5 acre house lot at the intersection of the old ‘Stage Road’ (now known as Hinesburg Road) and Sherman Hollow Road, which was sold to Raymond Torrey on March 23, 1955 (RLR 23:534).

<sup>xxxvii</sup> The land was later resurveyed and found to contain a little less land than stated in this record (see Goulette 2013; Henson 2014a).

<sup>xxxviii</sup> This refers to Irish immigrant Francis Clark (1812-1889), a small scale farmer and “an esteemed citizen” of Richmond (*Burlington Free Press* October 25, 1889; Gravestone, Richmond Village Cemetery, Richmond, Vermont; U.S. Census 1870). It appears that the part of Ebenezer Flagg Farm lying east of Palmer Road was sold off at some point and was acquired by George Finley (either Sr. or Jr.?). In February of 1860, George Finley sold two acres in this area to Reuben Sawyer, who built a house on the property (referenced in RLR 9:522). Sawyer sold this house and lot to Joseph Finley on November 6, 1861 (RLR 9:552). Joseph Finley sold the same property to George Finley who then sold it to Francis Clark in July of 1866 (see Figure 9) (Beers 1869; RLR 10:566; Walling 1857). In November of 1879, it was reported that the “small dwelling house in the west part of the town [Richmond] owned

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by Francis Clark” burned down (*Burlington Free Press* November 24, 1879). Subsequently, Francis Clark moved to North Duxbury (*Burlington Free Press* October 25, 1889). Clark’s house probably stood very near the site of the old Ebenezer Flagg home.

<sup>xxxix</sup> Located at the southeast corner of this lot on the road was Daniel Bishop’s woodshed (RLR 5:38).

<sup>xl</sup> This land was later (1860) described as being in Richmond “near” Royal Brigg’s homestead (RLR 9:418). This land adjoined Brigg’s land that lay to the east (see Figure 8).

<sup>xli</sup> Daniel Bishop (Jr) first married Edeth/Edith (Steel) Bishop (1768-1836) and then a woman named Fanny [?] (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1884; Gravestone, Hill Cemetery, Richmond, Vermont). Daniel Bishop Jr’s children included: Ephraim (1791); Rufus (1799-1872); Dorothy [Pelton]; Polly [Fay]; Roxanna [Miles]; Irena [Adams]; and Betsey [McCorning] (Chittenden County Probate Records ca. 1884; Gravestone, Pleasant View Cemetery Jericho, Vermont; Vermont Secretary of State, Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908).

<sup>xlii</sup> In 1839, Rufus Bishop sold one acre east of the road running through the old Flagg farm to Royal Briggs (RLR 6:271).