



The History of Ewyas Lacy

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B. RECORD CARD FOR SECULAR MONUMENTS.
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1. Name and situation of Monument (with owner's Name and Address). *Oldcourt House*
1 3/4 miles N.N.E of Clodock Church.

2. General appearance: (a) No. of storeys. *1 rattle main house. Wings 2 storeys.*
(b) Building materials. *Stone rubble.*
(c) Roofs. *Stone slates.*

3. Historical development (with dates and small sketch plan).
* *A late 14th c. house of half-H plan. In the 16th c. some re-modelling was done & two wings were extended to the E & W. Some minor alterations were effected during the 17th c.*

4. Special features (if any). when possibly (see continuation card)
Medieval roof, portini gables, & a towered medieval window with transome & trefoil headed lights.

5. Elevations: (Beginning with the main front, and mentioning, in the following order:—(a) Walls; (b) Gables; (c) Doors; (d) Windows; (e) Chimneys; (f) Rainwater heads and pipes.)
South Elev. Stone rubble. Two projecting wings with roofs hipped at their inner angles. A modern lean-to has been built against W wing. There is a dormer window to main house. Doors round & modern.
North Elev. Stone rubble. Gable at E end with rectangular outside stack with modern brick shaft. West of stack is the hall window consisting of two lights with trefoil heads within a two centred arch & chamfered transome, mullion & cill of ash. The two centred arch head, mullion, transome & cill are all of red sandstone, while the joints are chamfered of rough ashlar of same kind as rubble walls (see also 'internal arrangements'). West of this again is an old battened door hung on strap hinges to a modern frame.

6. Grounds: (a) Gardens; (b) Outbuildings; (c) Statuary, sundials, etc. (see continuation card)
House used as cart shed, the Barn, & the Church see separate cards.
* *after measuring & some subsequent examination from it would appear that the original 14th c. house was probably rectangular with possibly a wing now incorporated into the late 16th c. dairy or W.*

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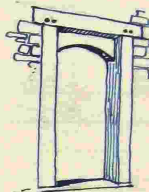
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Fittings:	
(Reminder list).	
(1) Ceilings.	The original house consisted of a central hall with open roof. To west was screen shuttering & to east the solar, both of these being projected to form with the hall a half H plan. The hall as already stated had a floor inserted to form rattle above the beams supporting this floor an exposed but have been papered over. The stone transomed window on N side - already described - has the projecting beaded fillet curved outwards towards top of window light is pierced with a hole which presumably held an iron bar for the pining in place of some form of shutter.
(2) Cupboards (fixed).	From hall on W side access is obtained to buttery or what is now the kitchen by doorway with oak door with mullioned window on top hinges. Kitchen immediately against chimney breast on the exposed feet of one of the roof crutches & between these is a tie which would appear to have been formed the head of the screen. The underside of this tie shows the mortise holes of the uprights & in two places it has been cut to form ogee & arches which formed the heads of the doorways. The ceiling of this room has exposed stop chamfered beams & exposed joists. In the projecting portion of this wing is an entrance passage & stone stairs up to 1st floor of house & dairy wing. In W wall of kitchen is a pointed arched chamfered stone doorway with steps going down to the 16th c. wing now used as a dairy, which has exposed ceiling beams but nothing else of interest.
(3) Doors and Overdoors.	
(4) Fireplaces and Mantel-pieces.	
(5) Glass.	
(6) Paintings.	
(7) Panelling.	
(8) Parquetry and floors.	
(9) Plasterwork on internal walls.	
(10) Roofs and beams (internal).	
(11) Screens.	
(12) Tapestries.	
(13) Miscellaneous (e.g., carving, ironwork, locks, &c.).	
8. Condition:	Fair.
9. Visited by (with dates):	J.T. Phillips. Sept. 1927.
10. Bibliography:	
11. No. of Ordnance Sheet (6-in.):	XLIV. N.W.
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hall try projected can ited ing this over.  phips. roof red seven ie holes n the room ad an ov of in romay in ding ring into s p panels y with tin cord	<u>Historical Development (contd)</u> The central stacks of floor of hall were inserted. In the 18th century some re-modelling took place in the original 14th c. E wing. A few minor alterations have taken place in modern times. <u>Elevations</u> <u>North Elev (contd)</u>. East wing has on ground floor 3 light windows with ^{wood} transoms, head, mullion, & panels of section → + splayed eill. There is a blocked door with heavy wood joints & head + segmental arch beneath head. There is also a 2 light window with wood frame to stairs. West wing The windows to this wing have been modernised.  <u>East Elev</u>. Stone rubble. On both ground floor & 1st floor is a 4 light window with chamfered & fluted mullions & frame uniform with windows already described on N side of E. wing but there is no transome. The wing is gabled & has on 1st floor a blocked window on ground floor a 5 light transomed window uniform in type with that on N. side. In E side of W wing is a square headed single light black window with stone chamf. joints, eill & head. <u>West Elev</u>. Main house has a hipped gable while wing is gabled & has a square stone stack which has been re-built. <u>Interior (contd)</u> The room to S of passage has a panelled partition with small plain square headed panels. All the doors on ground floor of this wing are 8 panelled with plain framing. At E end of passage steps lead upwards whence a half landing gives access to the 16th c. 'Cider store' & thence to the 1st floor wing. The Cider store has exposed chamfered ceiling beams with 'spur' stops & exposed joists. <u>1st Floor</u> On 1st floor there is an 8 panelled door similar to those already mentioned. There is nothing else of note of on this floor except the ^{crutch} roof trusses to the old hall. These are three in number. The most easterly one forms a partition	County. Parish. Sub-Commission. No. of Monument.
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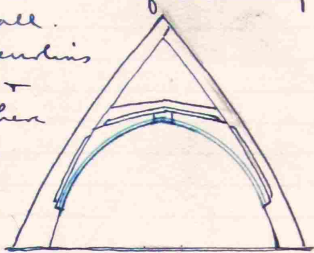
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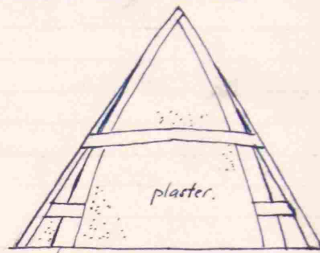
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ris of form shown below. The middle truss was exposed & has a cambered rafter chamfered collar, chamfered arched braces & the underside of rafter itself is also stop chamfered. The easternmost truss is very similar in form to the one probably prior to the insertion of chimney stacks was also a partition wall.

Then are three purlins on either side & in bay of roof where chimney stacks comes an exposed curved wind brace.



Feet cut away below floor.
Central Truss.



Feet concealed in wall below floor.
East Truss.



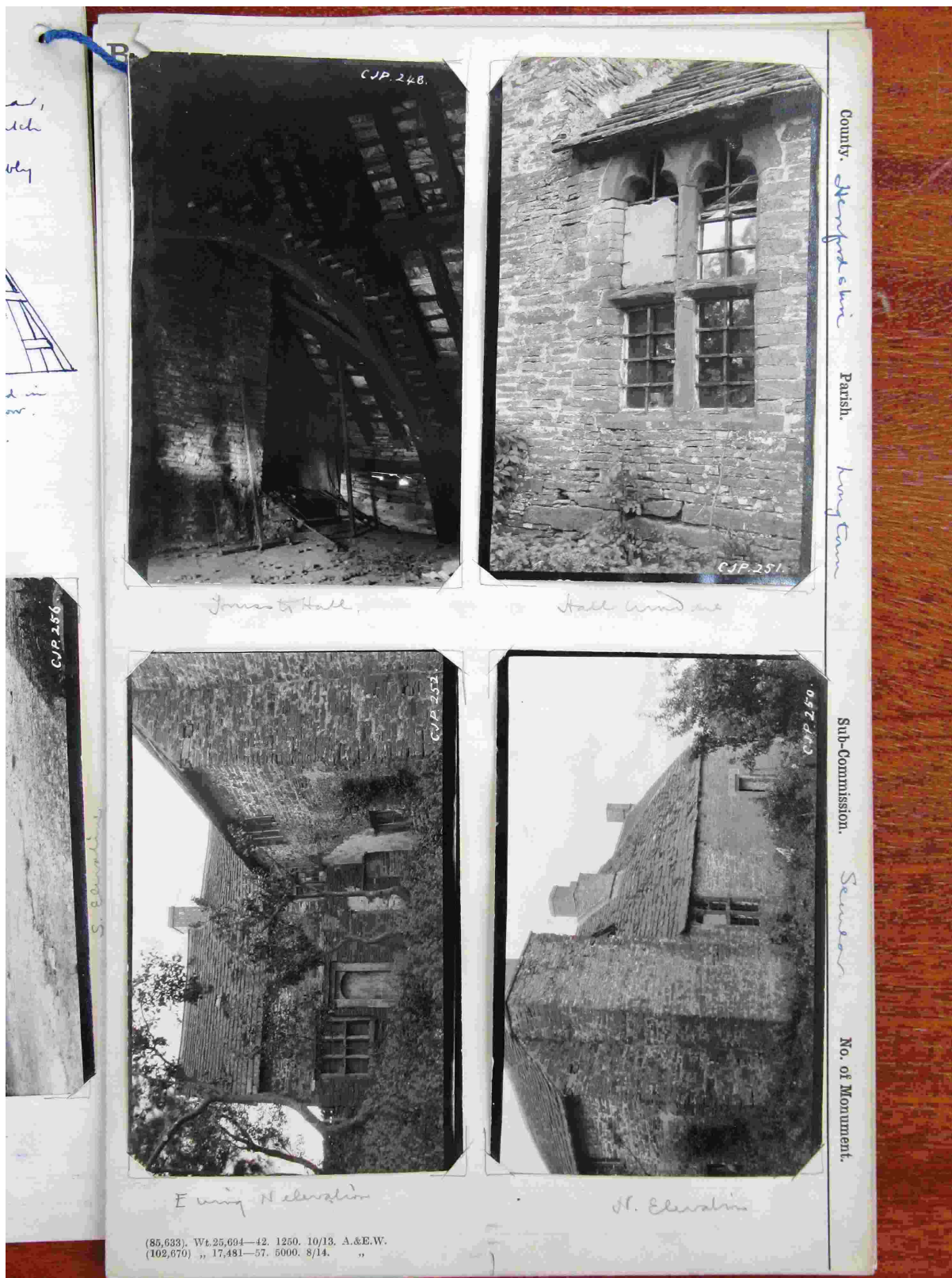
General view showing the two trusses



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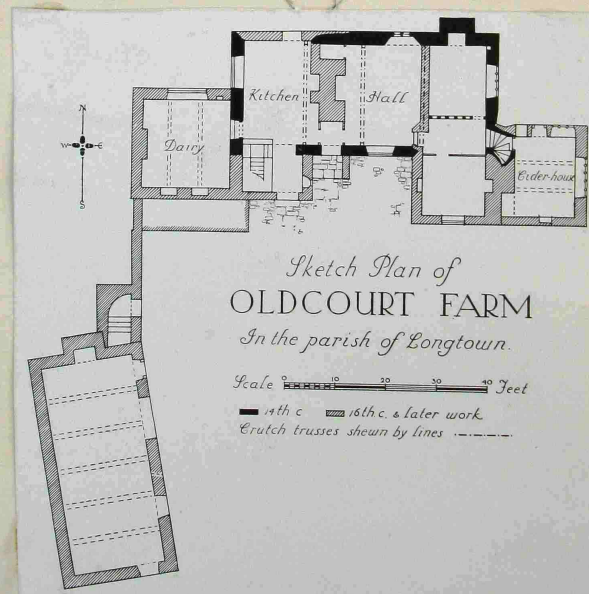


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South Elevation



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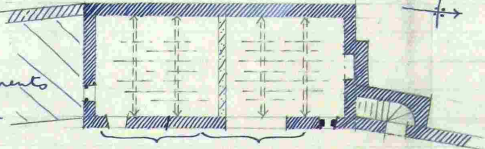
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RECORD CARD FOR SECULAR MONUMENTS.
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1. **Name and situation of Monument** (with owner's Name and Address). *House (?) now used as Cartshed & Barn at Old Court Farm—15 yds S.W. of Farmhouse*

2. **General appearance:** (a) No. of storeys. *1 + attic*
(b) Building materials. *Stone rubble.*
(c) Roofs. *Stone slates.*

3. **Historical development** (with dates and small sketch plan).
a late 16th c. building. In modern times the ground floor has been divided into 2 compartments by a mod. partition wall & opening made on E side to allow access as cart shed.



4. **Special features** (if any).

5. **Elevations:** (Beginning with the main front, and mentioning, in the following order:—(a) Walls; (b) Gables; (c) Doors; (d) Windows; (e) Chimneys; (f) Rainwater heads and pipes.)

East Elev. Stone rubble. No gables each gable contains a window opening with modern frame inserted above same a blocked window. On ground floor is an unusually small doorway with heavy wood chamfered joints & segmental headed frame. In staircase projection is the old chamfered frame of window.

North Elev. Gabled raftered timbers. The external chimney stack is rectangular in plan with projecting one course cap & 2 detached diagonal shafts with 2 course projecting caps. The staircase is gable & has exposed timbers.

South Elev. Gabled raftered timbers. Shuttered opening on ground floor.

West Elev. Stone rubble. There is an opening to left.

6. **Grounds:** (a) Gardens; (b) Outbuildings; (c) Statuary, sundials, etc.

Connecting staircase to Farmhouse is a stone wall.

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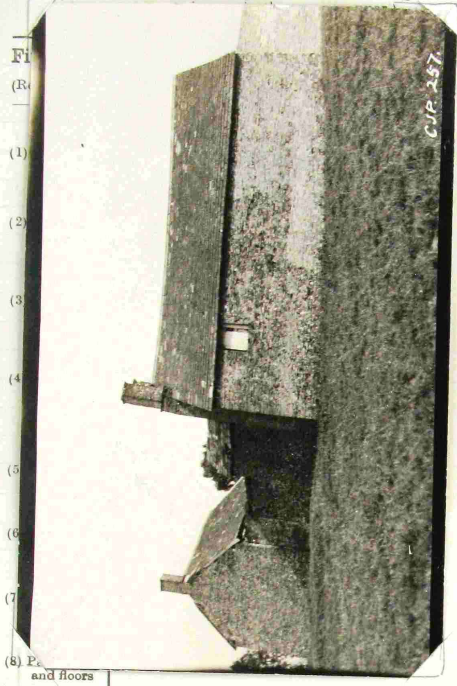
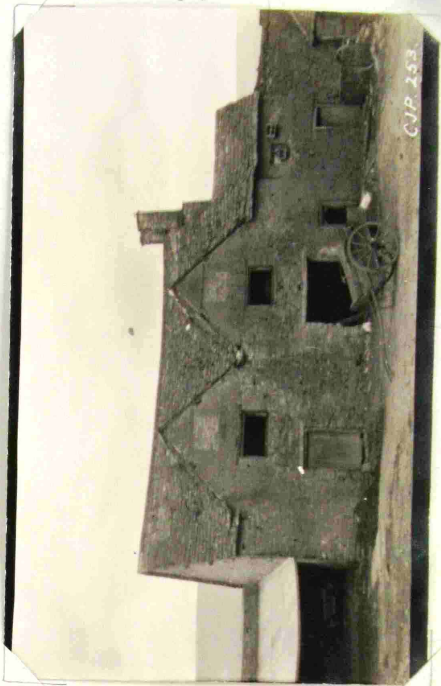
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7. Interior: (Disposition of rooms, if original, giving fittings as they occur (see list), beginning with the ground floor, following with the basement, and working up to the attics:

(8) Plasterwork on internal walls.

(9) Roofs and beams (internal).

(10) Screens.

(11) Tapestries.

(12) Miscellaneous (e.g., carving, ironwork, locks, &c.).

Ceiling of ground floor has exposed chamfered beams with spur stops & exposed joists.

8. Condition: *Poor.*

9. Visited by (with dates): *A.T. Phillips Sept. 1927.*

10. Bibliography:

11. No. of Ordnance Sheet (6-in.): *XLIV. N.W.*

12. Signature of Investigator: *A.T. Phillips*

1. Name: *Jan*

2. General: (b) Building (c) Room

3. Historical:

4. Special:

5. Elevations:

6. Ground:

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1. Name and situation of Monument (with owner's Name and Address). *Barn at Oldcourt Farm 40 yds. S of farmhouse.*

2. General appearance: (a) No. of storeys. *1*
(b) Building materials. *Stone rubble & timber frame on stone plinth*
(c) Roofs. *Stone slates*

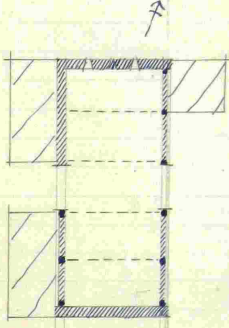
3. Historical development (with dates and small sketch plan).
Built late in 17th or early in 18th c. In modern times 'lean-to' additions have been added on both E & W sides.

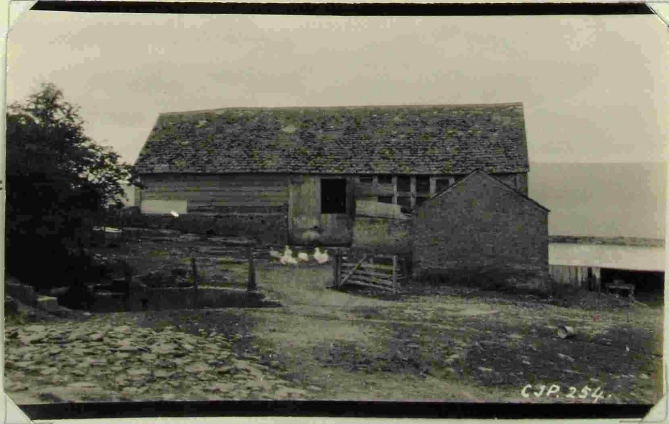
4. Special features (if any)

5. Elevations: (Beginning with the main front, and mentioning, in the following order:—(a) Walls; (b) Gables; (c) Doors; (d) Windows; (e) Chimneys; (f) Rainwater heads and pipes.)

E. Elev. Timber frame, covered with modern boarding, on stone plinth
W. Elev. As E but N half had had stone wall built up to eaves level to replace timber framing. Actually except for doorway the whole of this elevation is concealed by modern 'lean-to' roofed additions.
S. Elev. Gabled. Re-built stone rubble.
N. Elev. Gabled. Stone rubble, 3 slit windows, two gabled on or ground floor level. Some re-building to this elevation.

6. Grounds:





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7. Interior: (Disposition of rooms, if original, giving fittings as they occur (see list), beginning with the ground floor, following with the basement, and working up to the attic; staircases in the same manner.)

Fittings:
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(1) Cellings
(2) Cupboards (Shelf)
(3) Doors and Overdoors
(4) Fireplaces and Mantel pieces
(5) Glass
(6) Paintings
(7) Tapestries
(8) Furniture and Decor

Internally the barn is divided into 5 bays by four timbers of type →



8. Condition: Fair

9. Visited by (with dates): J.T. Phillip Sept. 1927

10. Bibliography:

11. No. of Ordnance Sheet (6-in.): XLV. NW

12. Signature of Investigator: J.T. Phillip

RECORD CARD FOR SECULAR MONUMENTS.
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1. Name and situation of Monument (with owner's Name and Address): Cow-barn at Oldent Farm 20 yds. E of farmhouse.

2. General appearance: (a) No. of storeys: 1 r/oft.
(b) Building materials: Stone rubble
(c) Roofs: Stone & slate.

3. Historical development (with dates and small sketch plan):
A late 17th building. In modern times minor alterations have been effected.



4. Special features (if any):

5. Elevations: (Beginning with the main front, and mentioning, in the following order:—(a) Walls; (b) Gables; (c) Doors; (d) Windows; (e) Chimneys; (f) Rainwater heads and pipes.)

North Elevation: Stone rubble. Gabled. Both ground floor & 1st floor have a slight diamond mullioned window.

East Elevation: Stone rubble. On ground floor, a small opening over a well, and two windows, the higher has an old wood frame.

South Elevation: Stone rubble. Gabled. Two slit windows on ground floor.

West Elevation: Stone rubble. There is a small opening over a well, and a blocked opening.



Grounds

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with the ground floor, following with the basement, and working up to the attic, in the same manner.)

Fittings:
(Reminder list.)

(1) Ceilings. *loft being filled with hay the number of trusses could not be counted; but they are of 'queen-post' type similar to those in large barn.*

(2) Cupboards (fixed).

(3) Doors and Overdoors.

(4) Fireplaces and Mantel-pieces.

(5) Glass.

(6) Paintings.

(7) Carquest and fl.

(8) Ironwork.

(9) Roofs and beams (internal).

(10) Screens.

(11) Tapestries.

(12) Miscellanea (e.g., carving, ironwork, locks, &c.).

8. Condition: *Good.*

9. Visited by (with dates): *A.T. Phillips. Sept. 1927.*

10. Bibliography:

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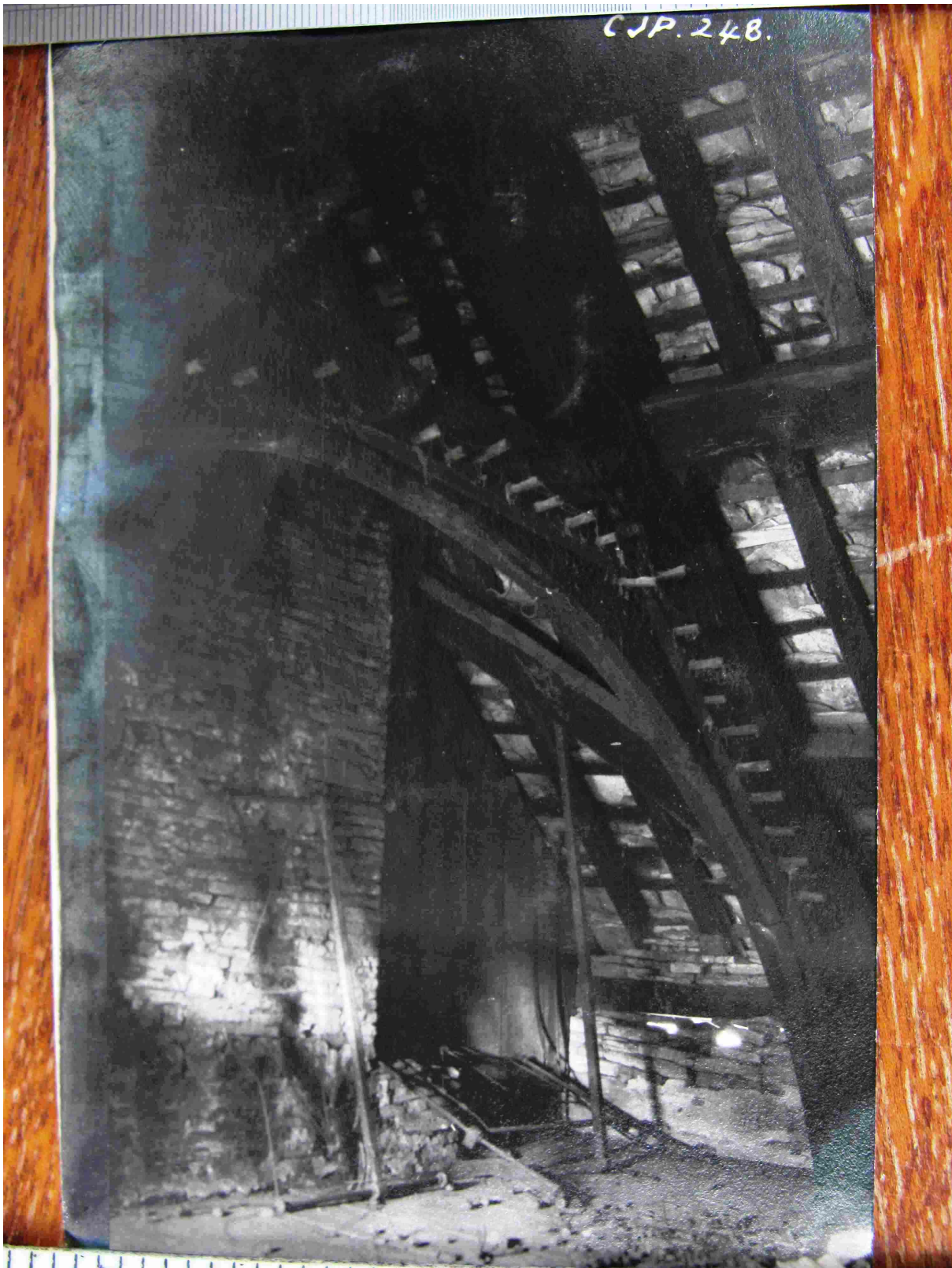
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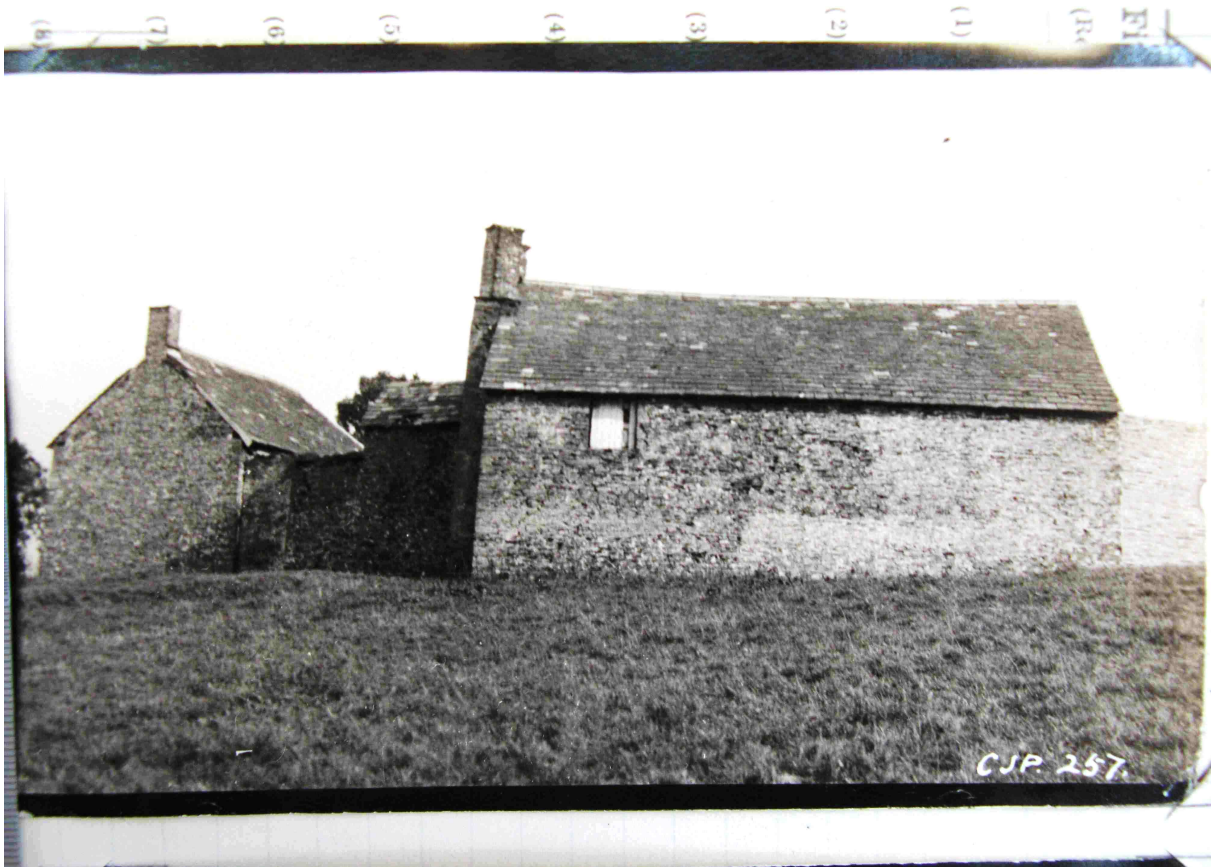
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1. Name and situation of Monument (with owner's Name and Address). *Try-mawr*
1100 yds. S.S.W. of Clodock Church.

2. General appearance: (a) No. of storeys. *House 2 attic. Kitchen + stable 1 attic. Barn 1*
(b) Building materials. *Rubble stone.*
(c) Roofs. *Stone slates.*

3. Historical development (with dates and small sketch plan). *Late 16th early 17th c.*
A late 14th c. house. There was some re-modelling to S.W. wing + S.N.E. end the latter possibly being re-built on site of an earlier larger wing. In modern times minor alterations have been effected + a lean-to added on S.E. side.

4. Special features (if any) *S.E. side*

5. Elevations: (Beginning with the main front, and mentioning, in the following order:—(a) Walls; (b) Gables; (c) Doors; (d) Windows; (e) Chimneys; (f) Rainwater heads and pipes.)

S.W. Elevation. Stone rubble walls. There is a stone gabled dormer window with 2 light wood casement + slab label above same. Other windows in 3 on ground floor + 2 on 1st floor are modern insertions in the original openings.

N.W. Elevation. Stone rubble. The house is gabled + has an outside chimney stack which is corbelled at 1st floor level + contains a slit window. At the N.E. corner is a rectangular projection which is walled up internally - possibly some form of garde-robe. The shaft of chimney stack which is square + has been re-built. There is on both ground + 1st floors a modern window inserted in original openings.

There is a 2 light casement with mullion + transom to Kitchen. The barn has a wide double door with head above eaves level + lean-to roof + same, a slit window + a stop chamfered lintel over small door. The stable is gabled + has exposed timbers, the attic having two openings in, one above the other both with stop chamfered wood frames, while the lower opening has a slab label.

6. Grounds: (a) Gardens; (b) Outbuildings; (c) Statuary, sundials, etc.

N.E. Elev. Stone rubble. There is a stone gabled dormer similar to that on S.W. + a 2 light casement on 1st floor. The other windows in are on ground floor + one on 1st. There is a projecting bay for staircase with lean-to roof which abuts on the projecting wing up the P.T.O.

(continued on continuation card)

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7. Interior: (Disposition of rooms, if original, giving fittings as they occur (see list), beginning with the ground floor, following with the basement, and working up to the attics: staircases in the same manner.)

Fittings:

(Reminder list).

- (1) Ceilings
- (2) Cupboards (fixed).
- (3) Doors and Overdoors.
- (4) Fireplaces and Mantel-pieces.
- (5) Glass.
- (6) Paintings.
- (7) Panelling.
- (8) Parquetry and floors.
- (9) Plasterwork on internal walls.
- (10) Roofs and beams (internal).
- (11) Screens.
- (12) Tapestries.
- (13) Miscellaneous (e.g., carving, ironwork, locks, &c.).

The house would appear to have originally consisted of a hall with open endch. roof with arch braces beneath the collar removed and braces. This hall is now the Barn. At the S.W. end of this what is now the farmhouse was possibly the solar wing & at the opposite end the kitchen would appear to have been replaced by 17th c. stable.

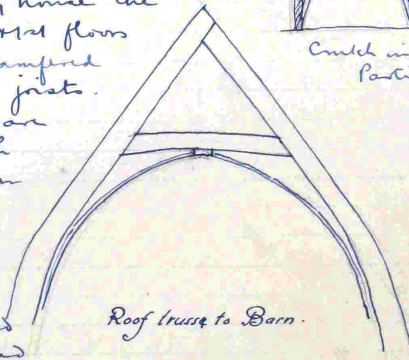
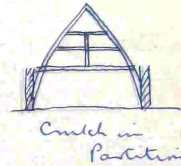
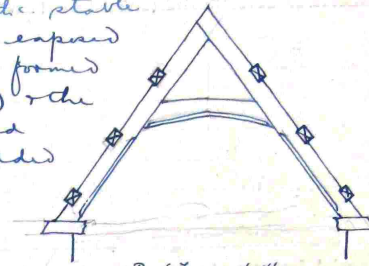
In the Barn (Hall) are 4 exposed endchies two of which were formed partitions (see sketch below) & the central endch was exposed & had arch & carved moulded braces, other exposed panelling round braces.

During the re-modelling of the S.W. wing a rubble stone wall was inserted under the tie beam of end S.W. endch & in it is a 4 centred chamfered stone arched doorway - now blocked.

In the present dwelling house the ceilings of both ground & 1st floors have exposed stop chamfered beams & stop chamfered joists.

In house on both floors are paneled partitions with panels in one length from floor to ceiling with stop chamfered posts, ^{head} & collars.

In attic are exposed collar beam stop chamfered trusses which formerly had tie beams but which were cut away when present ceiling of 1st floor rooms was inserted.



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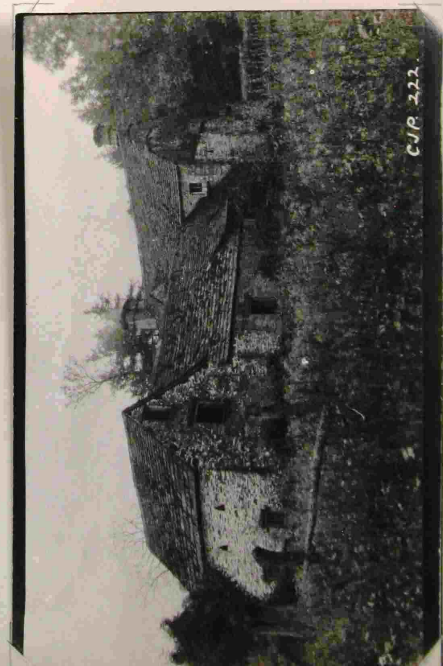
containing Kitchen, Barn, & Stable, which projects from centre of this N.E. Elevation. The Stable end gable has on ground floor level two 4 light diamond mullioned windows & above same, ventilating the loft, an 3 triangular shaped openings.

S.E. Elevation. Stable is gabled & has exposed timbers. On ground floor is a doorway with modern door & a slit window, while at loft level is an opening with timber frame & battened shutters with, above this again, a slit window. The barn has three doorways the two more N.E. which have old chamfered frames, the middle one also having an old battened door. These doorways have flag stone labels. There is also an opening formerly a window but now minus a frame.

The house itself is gabled & has an external rectangular stone chimney stack with weathered sides & 2 square stone shafts with projecting cap & string. The shafts have undergone some repair. The doorway contains an old battened door with exposed nail heads & modern frame & sash. On ground floor & 1st floor is a modern window in the old opening.

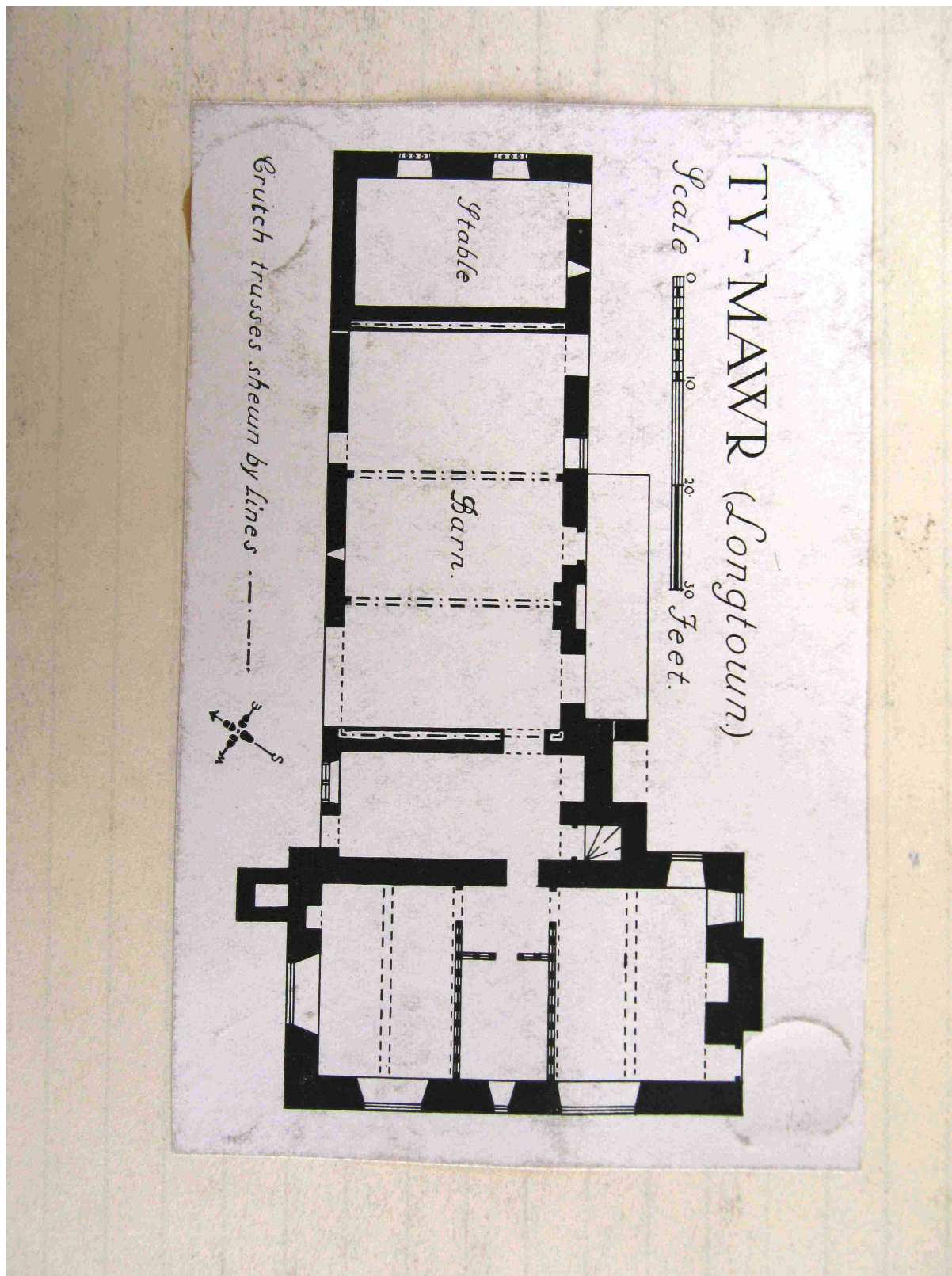
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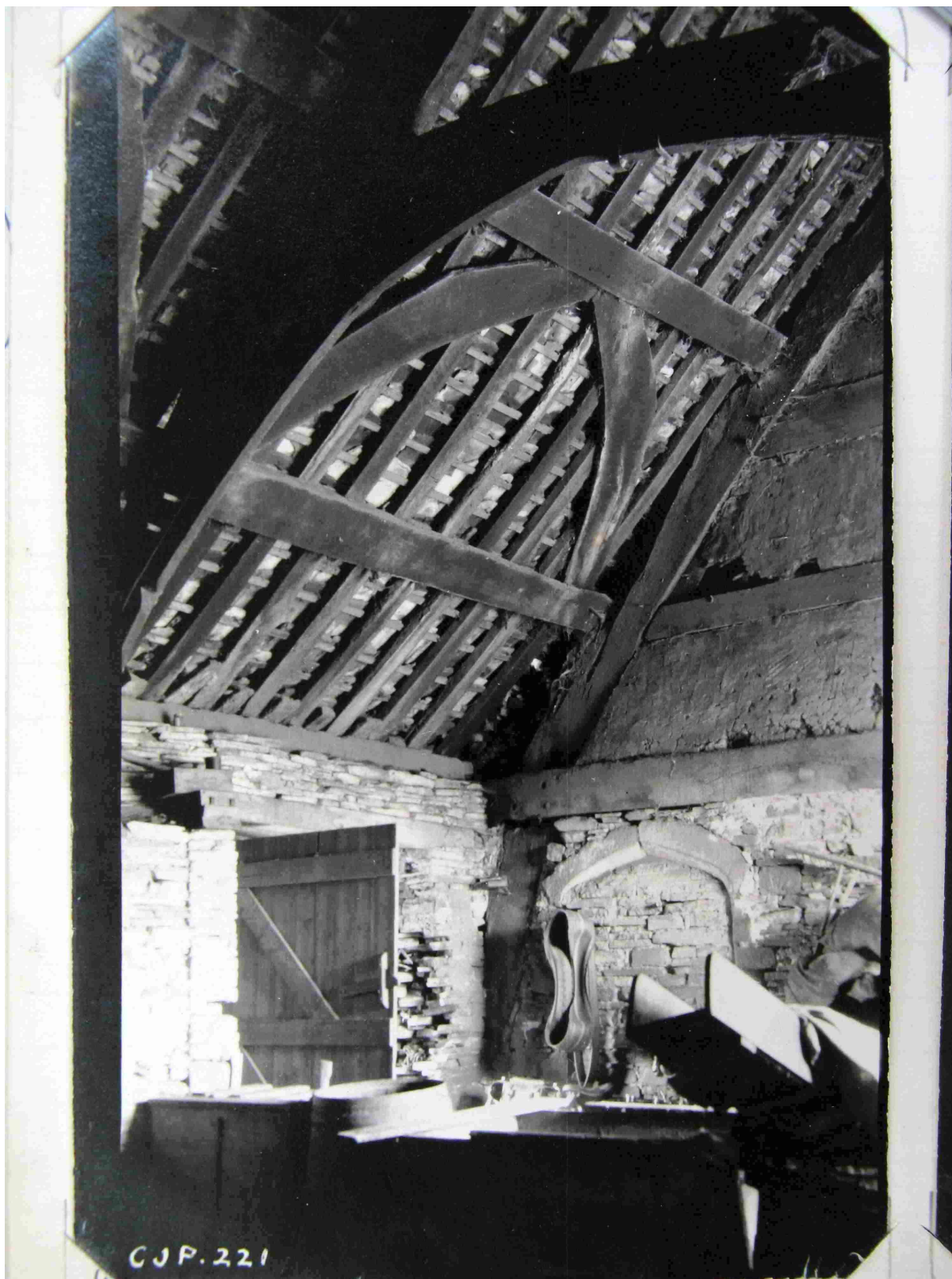
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