



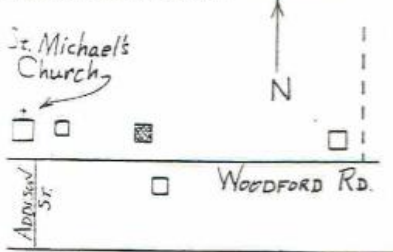
OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY

1. No. ERI-1739		4. Present Name(s) Harry Pearson Residence		1. No. ERI-1739
2. County Erie		5. Other Name(s) John May / Thomas May House		
3. Location of Negatives O.H.S.				
Specific Location First house east of St. Michael's Church on the north side of Woodford Rd.		16. Thematic Category Industry, ethnic		2. County Erie
City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity Kelleys Island		17. Date(s) or Period c.1862		
18. Style or Design		28. No. of Stories 2		4. Present Name(s) Harry Pearson Residence
19. Architect or Engineer		29. Basement? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
20. Contractor or Builder		30. Foundation Material lm. stn. rubble		
21. Original Use, if apparent Residence		31. Wall Construction Wood frame		
22. Present Use Residence		32. Roof Type & Material Gable/asph shingle		
23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		33. No. of Bays Front Side		
24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Harry Pearson		34. Wall Treatment Beveled board		
25. Open to Public? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		35. Plan Shape "T"		
26. Local Contact Person or Organization Kevin Pape: KI Hist Survey		36. Changes (Explain in #42) Addition <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>		
27. Other Surveys in Which Included N/A		37. Condition Interior Exterior good		
28. Preservation Underway? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
29. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		40. Distance from and Frontage on Road 20		
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Further Description of Important Features (Continue on reverse if necessary)		Photo		5. Other Name(s) John May / Tom May House
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Site Plan with North Arrow



T.M. Reference
3 5 8 0 2 0 | 4 6 0 6 1 3 0

Easting Northing
Site Structure
Building Object

Is it on National Register? Yes
No 12. Is it Eligible? Yes
No

Part of Estab. Yes
Hist. Dist.? No 14. District Potent? Yes
No

Name of Established District
N/A

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House Type No. Code No. Name _____	53. Farmstead Plan <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Historic Outbuildings and Dependencies Barn Type(s) Code No. Type _____ _____ _____
Corn Crib or Shed <input type="checkbox"/> Smoke House <input type="checkbox"/> Privy <input type="checkbox"/> Silo <input type="checkbox"/> Spring House Carriage House <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Kitchen <input type="checkbox"/> or Ice House
Other _____
Archaeological Site on Property? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Basis for Information Owner Collection <input type="checkbox"/> Above Ground Earthworks or Mound <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Materials Noted <input type="checkbox"/> QAI No. _____	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
	54. Photo Roll No. _____ Picture No(s). _____

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the house was built by John May between 1860 and 1865 on 6 ac. of land. John and his wife, Ann, had emigrated from Ireland in 1852, coming to the island soon thereafter. They lived first on Water St. near the Norman Kelley & Co. quarries for whom John worked. By 1865, as indicated by the Nunan Map he had built this home on Woodford Rd. He continued working for the quarry probably until he reached retirement age, but the 1880 Census lists him, at age 60, as a farmer.

His son, Anthony, (born 1859) became a captain on a lake steamer, and in 1917 went with the steamer "Lakeside" to New York. John's younger son, Thomas, (born 1869) followed his father into quarry work, becoming a master mechanic for the KIL&T Co.'s west quarry shop (ER-337). The house was always the homestead for John's children. Daughter Mary and Tom lived on after their father's death, c.1905, and when Tom married Carrie Hipp Haag, widow of Frank Haag (See Hipp ERI- i524), he brought her and her son, Frank, Jr., to this house. Later, the widowed Emma May Hauser also returned to live. It was probably upon his marriage that Tom added the large front wing.

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wall, about 250' north of the house.