# How architectural features help define integrity and historic significance

*CCHPN Spring Workshop*
*March 7, 2020*

# Overview

- What is integrity?

- Examples of local millwork

- Using integrity to inform applications

# What is Integrity?

According to Webster:

1. The state or quality of being complete, undivided, or unbroken

2. Moral soundness; honesty; uprightness

# What is Historic Integrity?

According to the National Park Service, it is the composite of seven *aspects*:

1. Location
2. Design
3. Setting
4. Materials
5. Workmanship
6. Feeling
7. Association

# Location

… the place where the historic property was constructed or the place where the historic event occurred.

# Design

… the combination of elements that create the form, plan, space, structure, and style of a property.

# Setting

… the physical environment of a historic property.

# Materials

… the physical elements that were combined or deposited during a particular period of time and in a particular pattern or configuration to form a historic property.

# Workmanship

... the physical evidence of the crafts of a particular culture or people during any given period in history or prehistory.

# Feeling

… a property's expression of the aesthetic or historic sense of a particular period of time.

# Association

… the direct link between an important historic event or person and a historic property.



Wharton Esherick Museum

# *Why is Integrity important?*

- It is the ability of a property to convey its history

- It represents authenticity in history

- It connects us with the contributions of previous generations

1. Location
2. Design
3. Setting
4. Materials
5. Workmanship
6. Feeling
7. Association

# Brinton 1704 House



1. Location
2. Design
3. Setting
4. Materials
5. Workmanship
6. Feeling
7. Association

# Does it retain integrity?
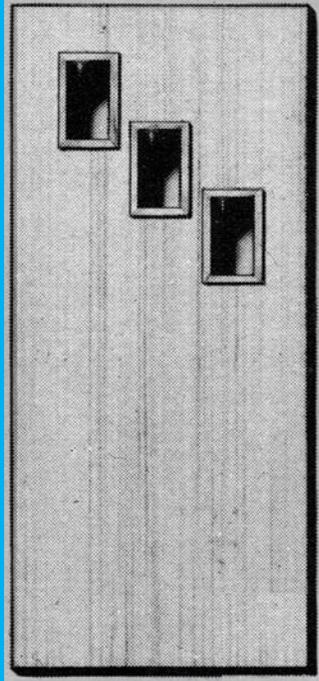


1. Location
2. Design
3. Setting
4. Materials
5. Workmanship
6. Feeling
7. Association

# Rising Lights Door
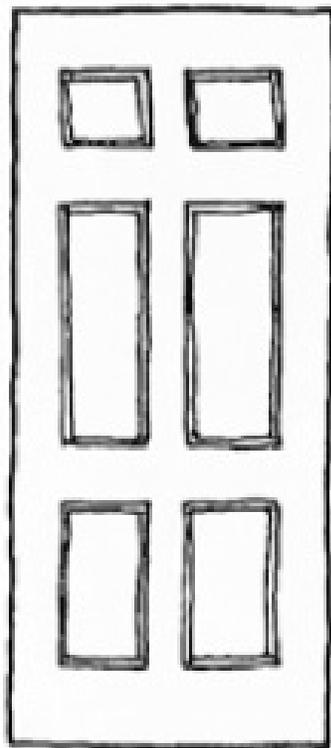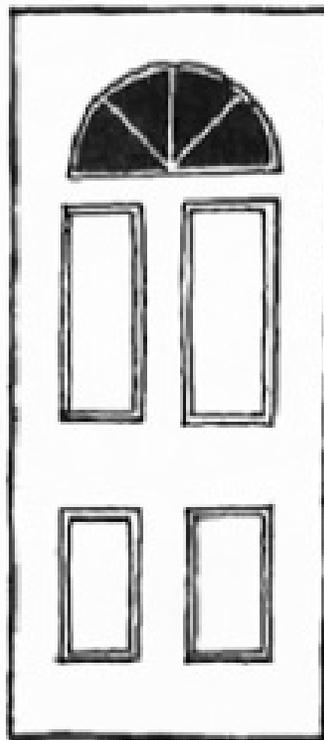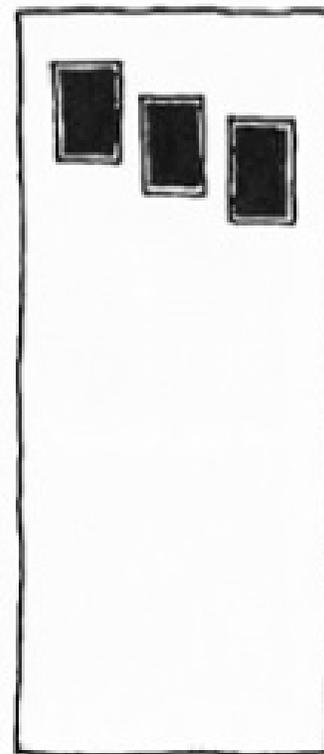


MAYBE    NO    NO

# Rising Lights Door
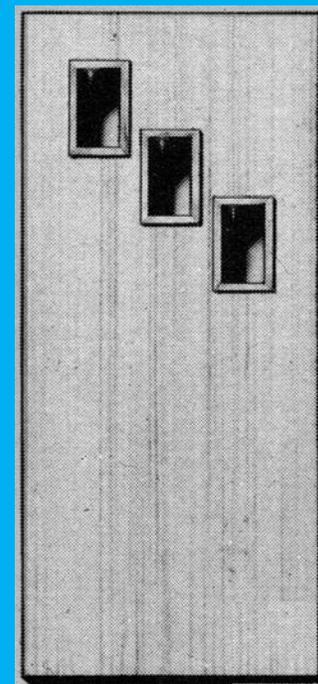


1916-1971

# Fanlight Sash Door
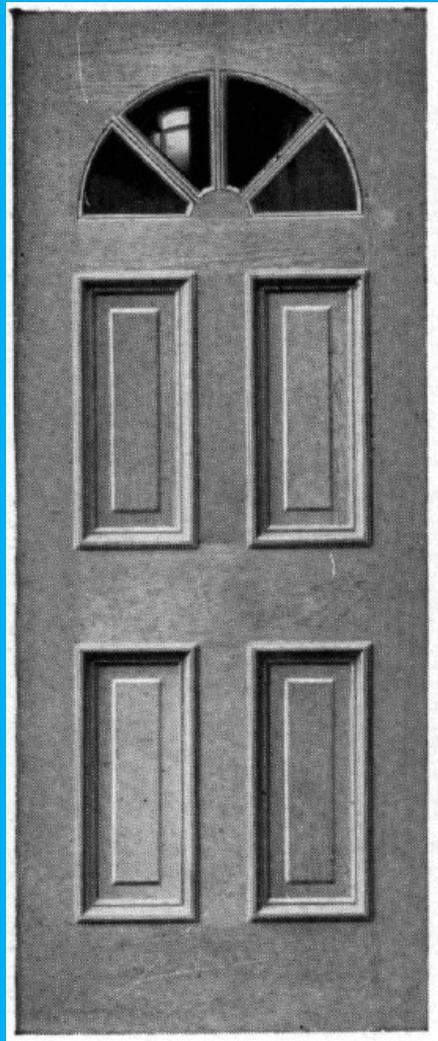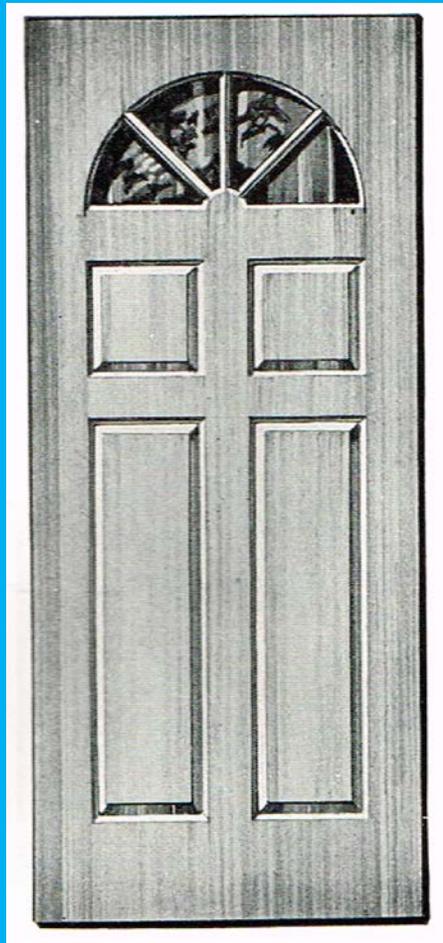
# Caleb Pusey House

# Millwork



FIG. 22
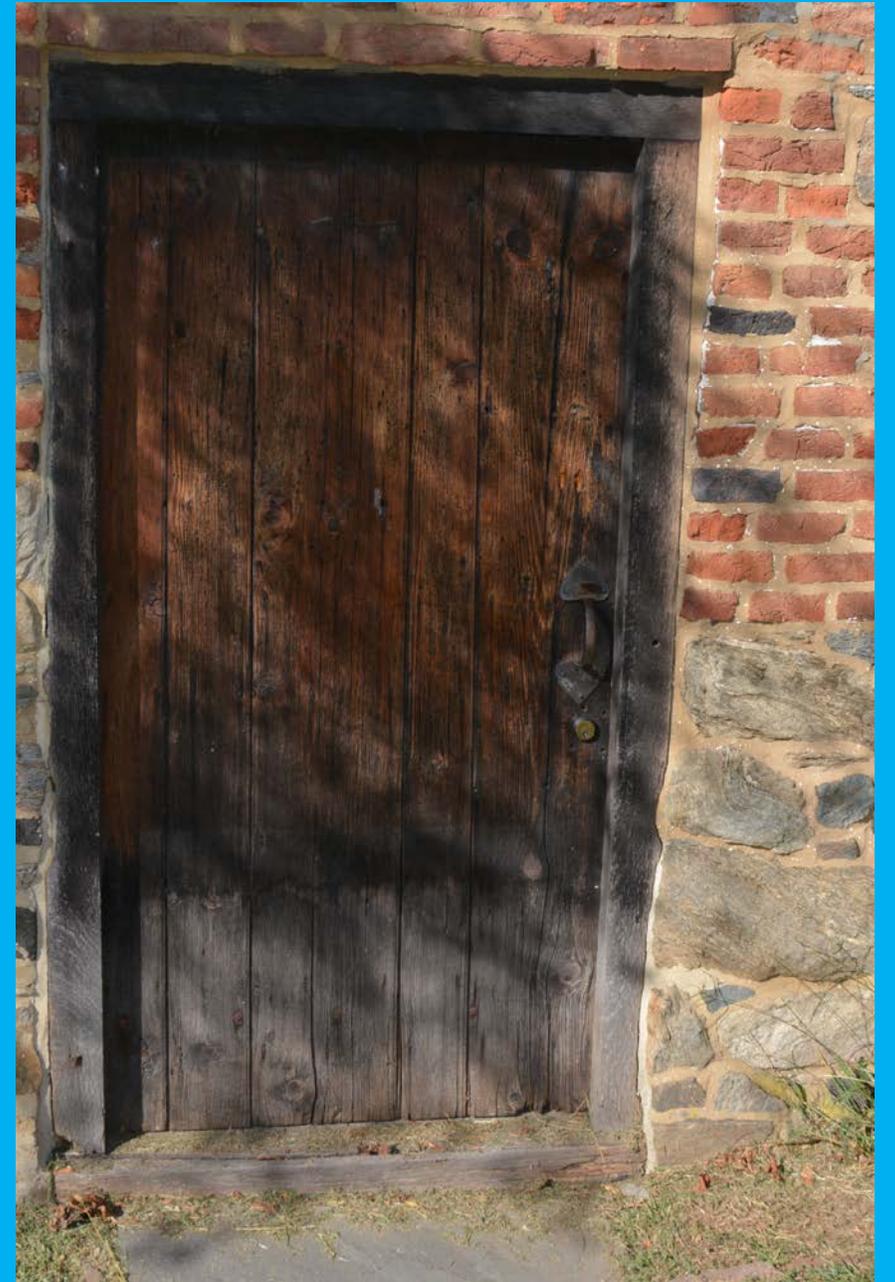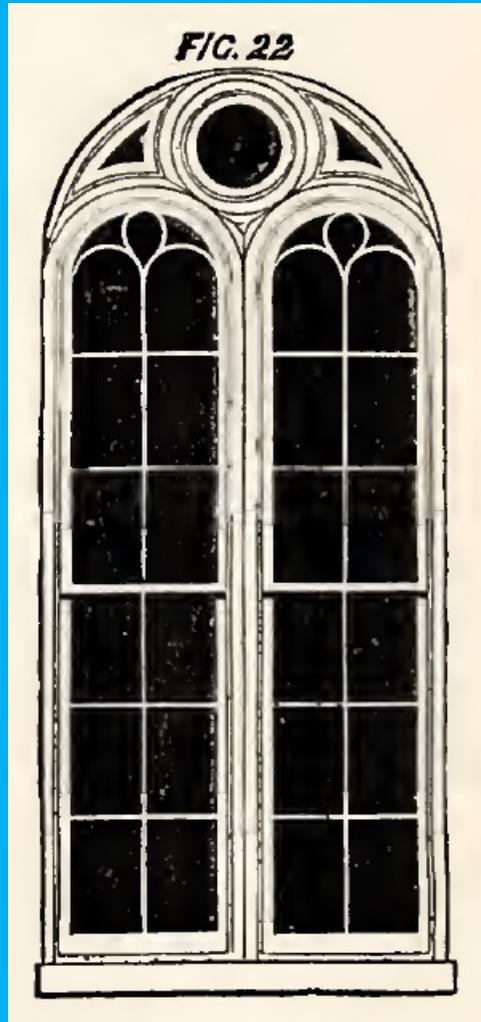
# Integrity & applications

- Integrity can be used to help evaluate applications for changes to historic resources

  - Will the proposed change have an impact on the resource's integrity?

  - Is the change reversible?

  - Is the change in-kind?

  - How common is the resource in our municipality?

# Scenario A

Scenario B

# Scenario C



05/13/2011