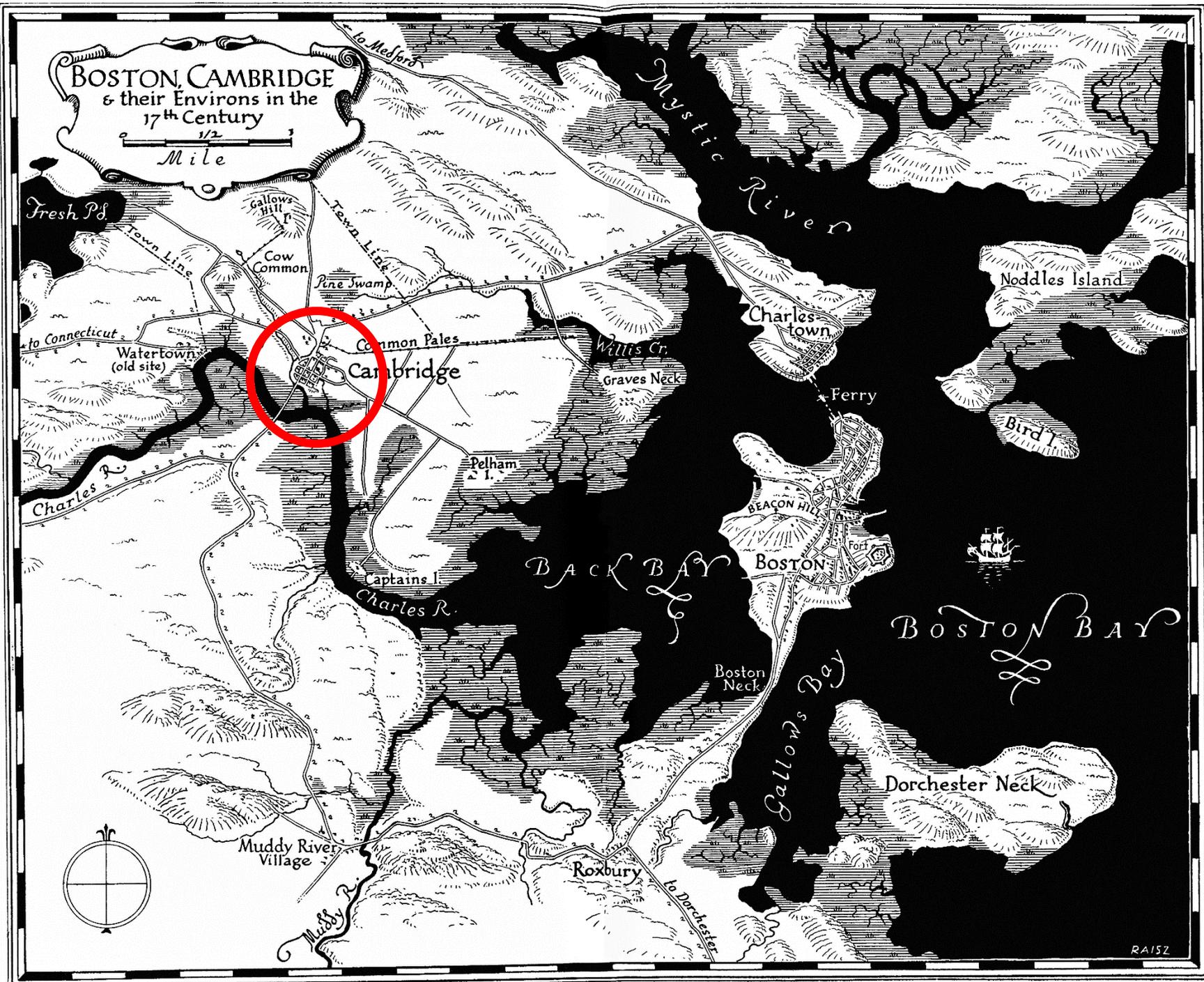


# The Cambridge Homes and its Neighborhood

Charles Sullivan  
Cambridge Historical Commission

June 11, 2019



Where is Old Cambridge?

Reconstructed plan of Cambridge and environs in the 17th century



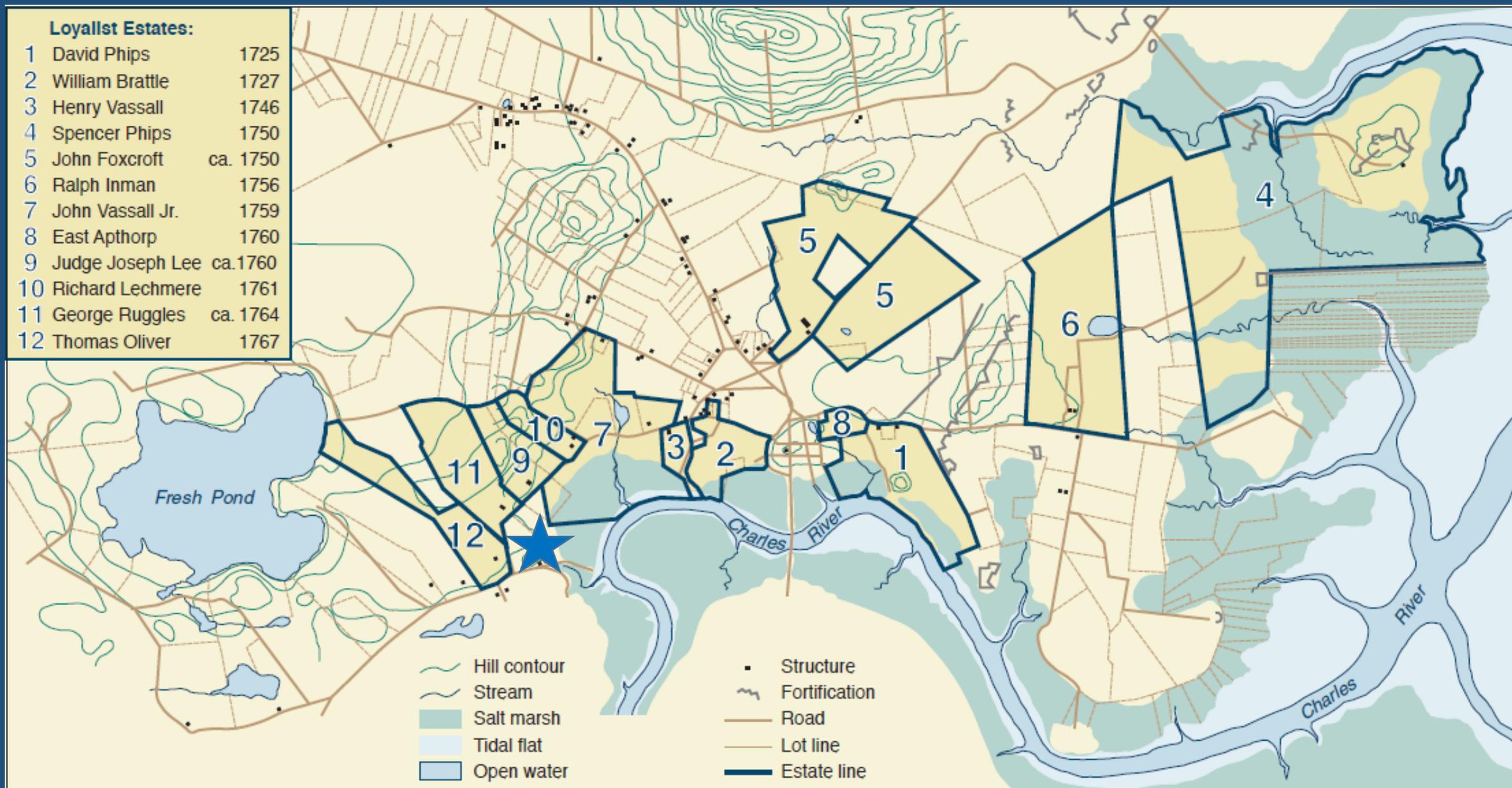
Boston and Cambridge ca. 1770



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The Village  
(Harvard Square)  
seen from the  
north in 1775



Loyalist Estates in 1775



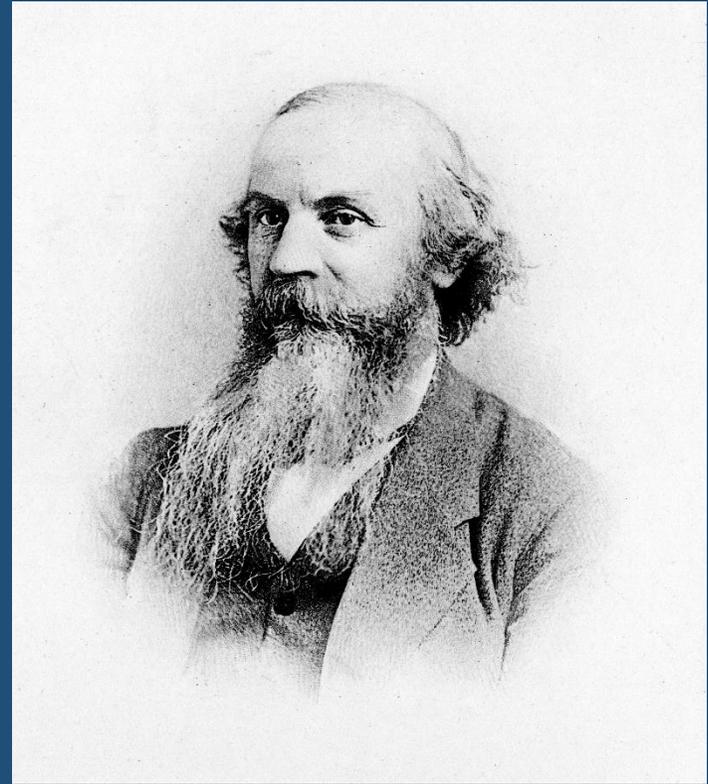
West Boston (Longfellow) Bridge, 1793



Three villages  
on the verge  
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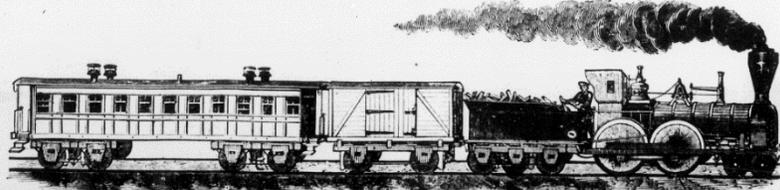
Gardiner Greene Hubbard (1822–1897)



Dr. Estes Howe (1814–1887)

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FOR CAMBRIDGE COLLEGES.



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Harvard Branch Railroad, 1849-54

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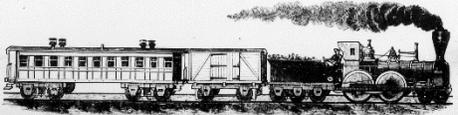
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Cambridge Gas Co., established 1852; gasholder at the foot of Ash Street

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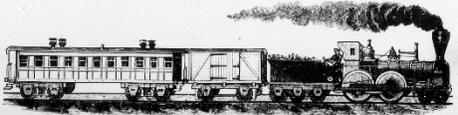


Cambridge Water Works, established 1852  
Standpipe on Reservoir Hill

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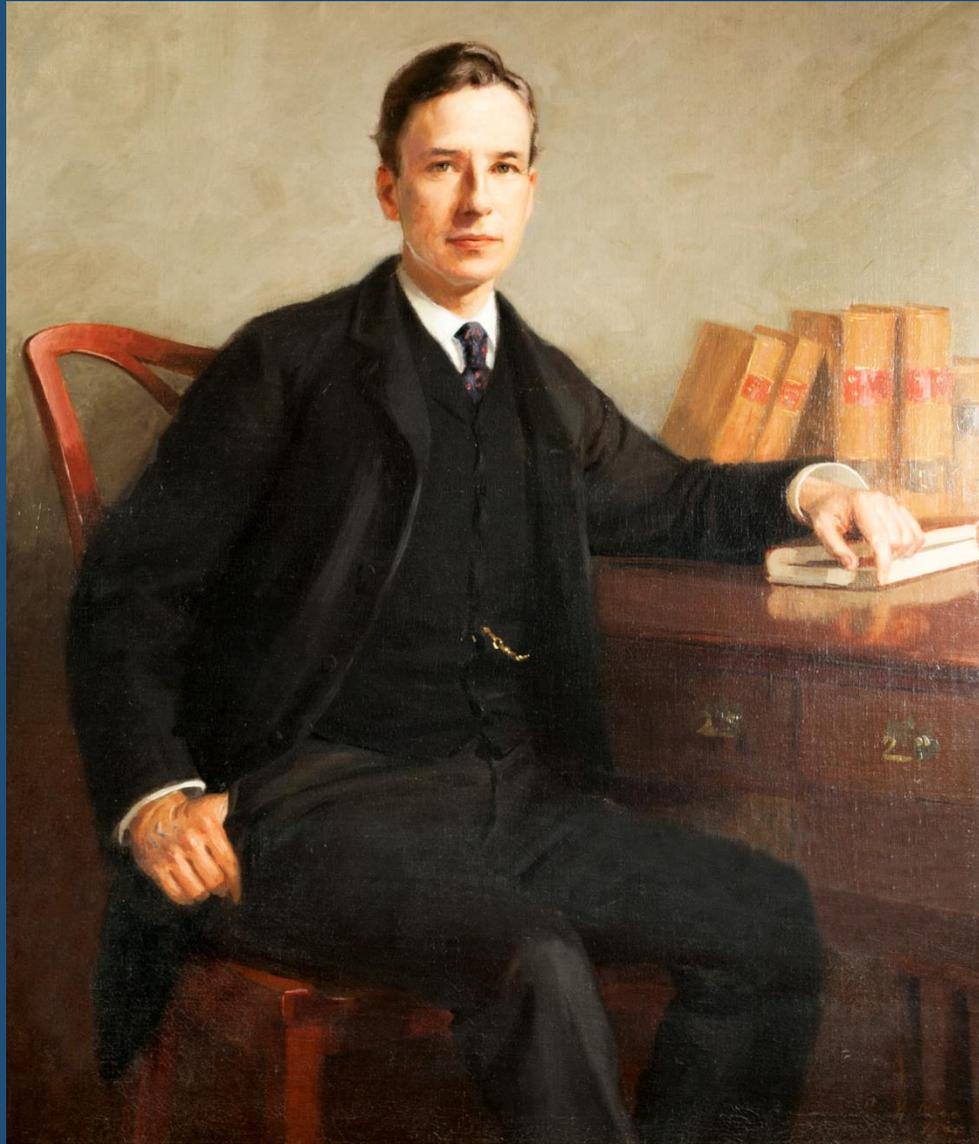
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Cambridge Railroad, established 1854  
 Boston terminal, Bowdoin Square



Harvard Square looking east, from Dunster Street to Holyoke Street, ca. 1875



William E. Russell (1857–1896)



Alice Longfellow (1850-1928)



Cambridge Almshouse, 1850-1929  
municipal accommodations for the poor and aged



185 Hancock Street (1861); Cambridge Homes for Aged People, 1891-1899





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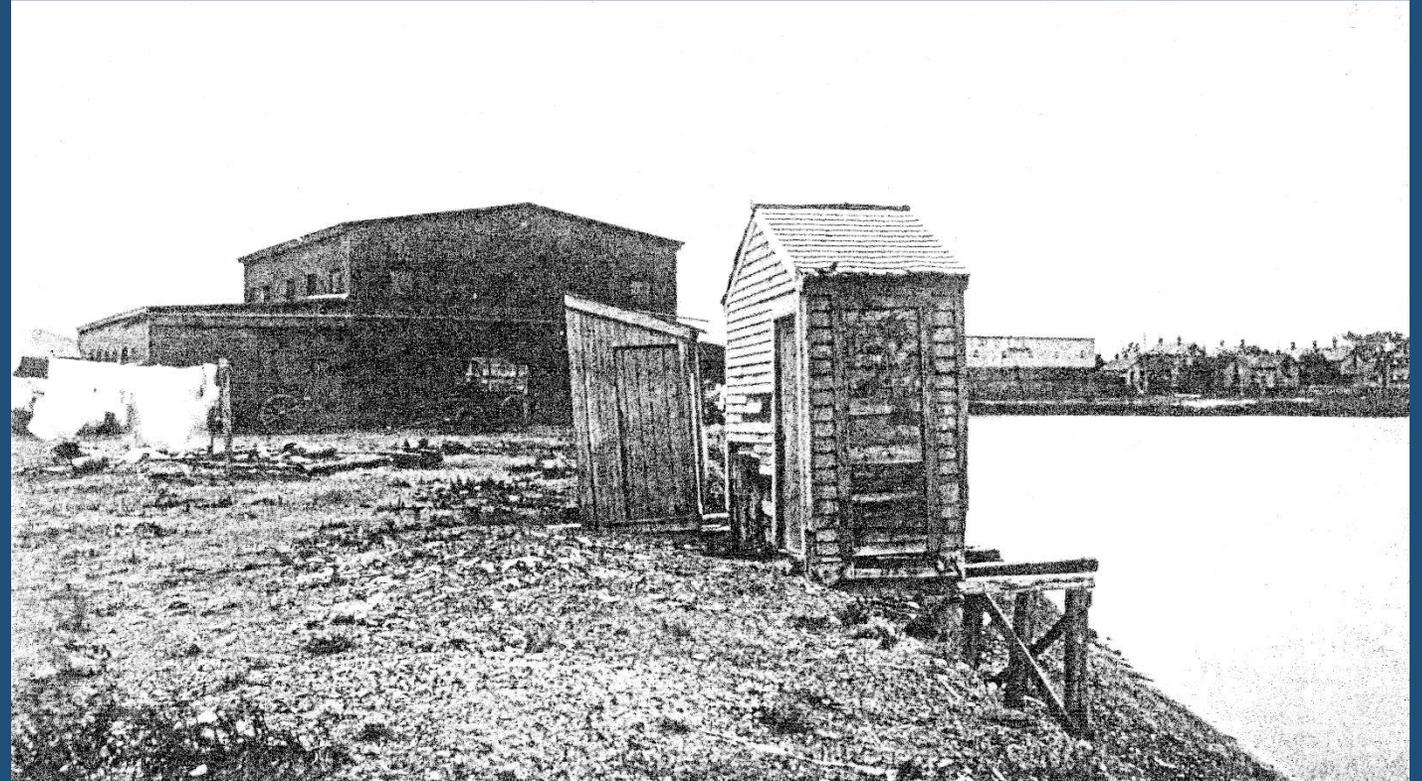


Mt. Auburn Street from Simond's Hill, 1875



*Pl. 33*

*Charles Eliot.*



Privies at the foot of Murray Street  
near Harvard Square, ca. 1890

Charles Eliot (1859-97)  
Landscape architect



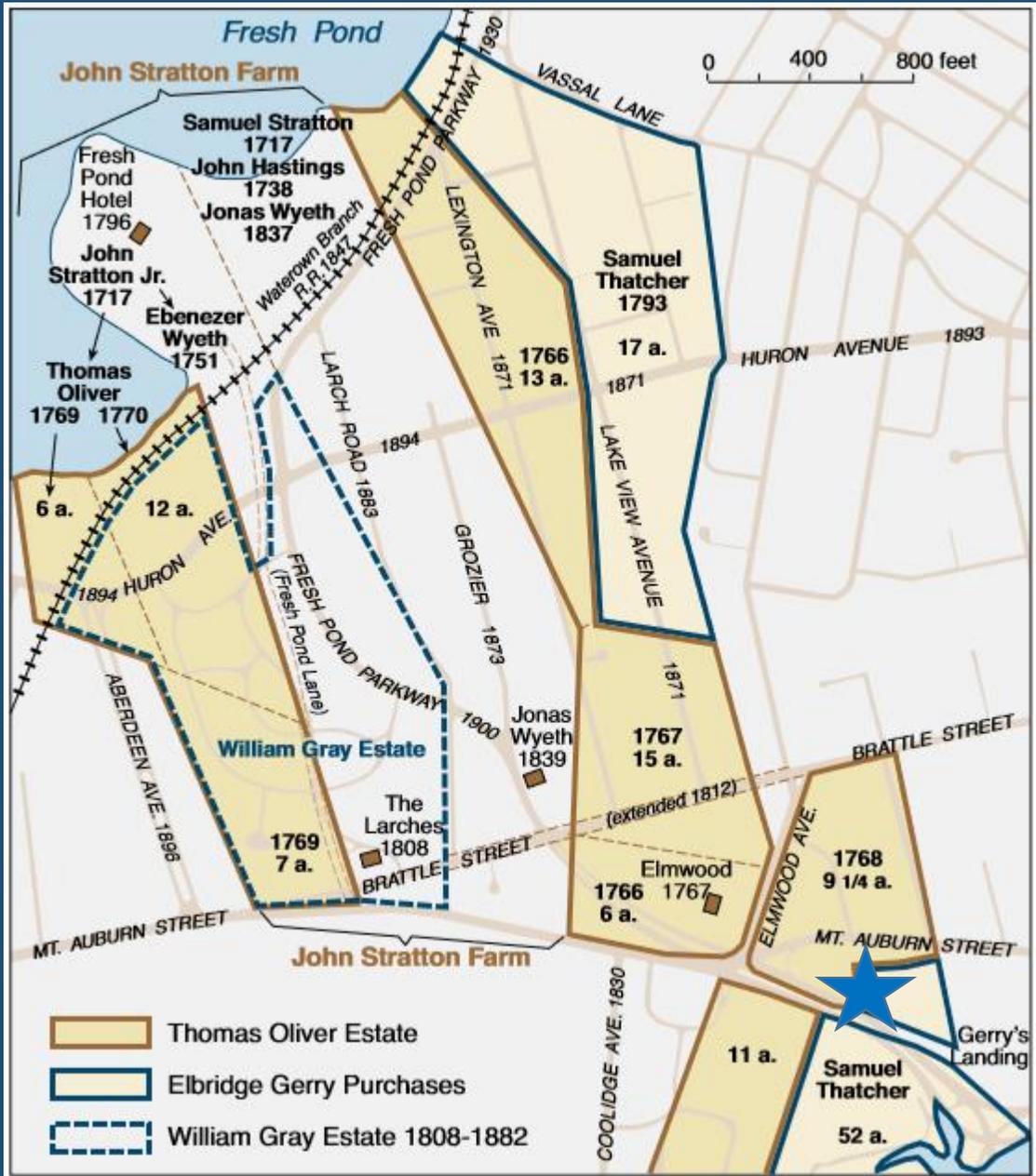
Charles Eliot's plan for public reservations on both banks the Charles River, prepared for the Cambridge Park Commission in 1894



Elmwood, 1760



Tory Row, 1775



Formation and disposition of the Thomas Oliver-Elbridge Gerry estate, 1766–93.



Gerry's Landing and the Coolidge farm, ca. 1882–85.



Cambridge (now Mount Auburn) Hospital, 330 Mt. Auburn Street (1884–86. Photo ca. 1896.



1894



The Avon Home, 309 Mt. Auburn Street (1891; demolished 1919).



Stillman Infirmary, 270 Mt. Auburn Street (1900, demolished 1962)



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FRONT VIEW.

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The Cambridge Homes, 1900



The Cambridge Homes, as expanded in 1912.



1916



Future path of Gerry's Landing Road, ca. 1900



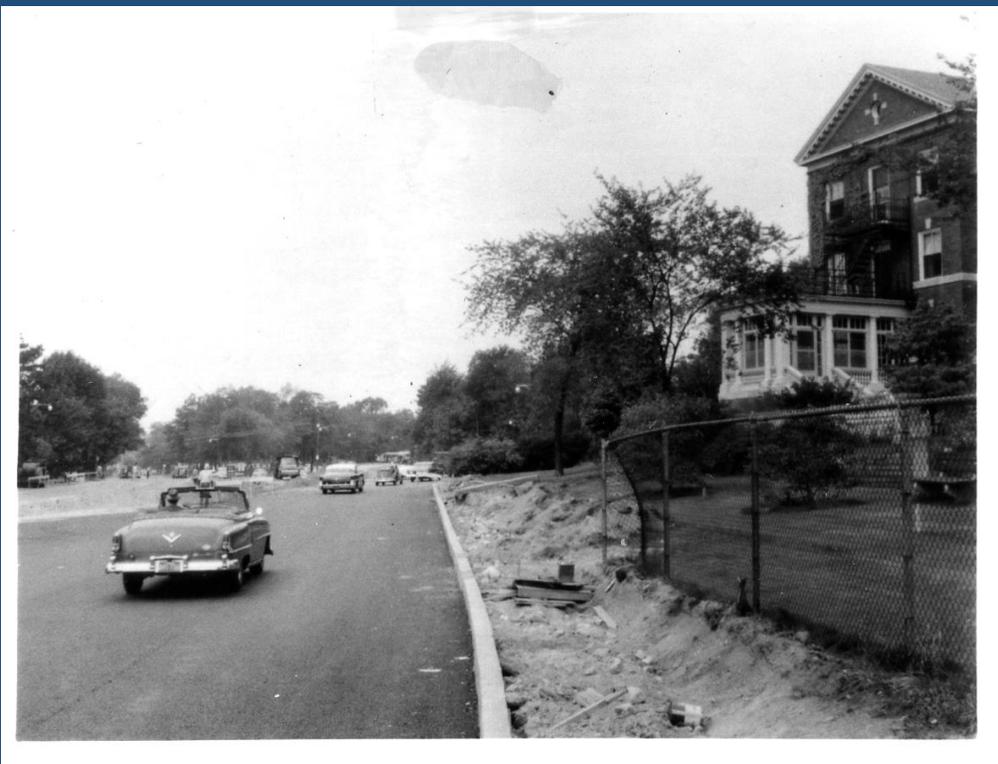
Future path of Gerry's Landing Road, ca. 1900  
The Cambridge Homes (left) and Mount Auburn Hospital



Stillman Infirmary, Mount Auburn Hospital, and The Cambridge Homes, ca. 1950



Gerry's Landing Road at Mt. Auburn Street, ca. 1955  
as seen from the Cambridge Homes



Gerry's Landing Road Widening, 1958



Future path of Gerry's Landing Road, ca. 1900  
The Cambridge Homes (left) and Mount Auburn Hospital



Gerry's Landing Road, 2019

