

## Freeman's Wharf

### Farnsworth Fish Factory



#### Business History

**J.T.R. Freeman Wharf**  
**William Lawton Factory**  
**Alton E. Farnsworth Sardine Factory**  
**The Southwest Harbor Packing Company**  
**Seacoast Canning Company**  
**Addison Packing Company**  
**Stinson Canning Company**  
**Great Harbor Marina**

Address - 11 Apple Lane  
City - Southwest Harbor  
State - Maine  
Map and Lot - Map 3 - Lot 61  
Map:  
CS 1887 - FREEMAN WHARF  
SAN 1921 - ADDISON  
Original Owner - Freeman - John T.R. Freeman (1838-1916)  
John T.R. Freeman (1838-1916) built the J.T.R. Freeman Wharf at the head of Southwest Harbor in about 1885.

#### Subsequent Owners:

Lawton - William Lawton Sr. (1824-1881)  
Lawton - William Lawton Jr. (1850-1940)  
William Lawton Sardine Factory  
William Lawton canned there for several years. William Lawton Sr. was a tin smith, as was his son William Lawton Jr.

William Jr. canned clams on his own wharf  
William Lawton Jr.'s Clam Factory  
SWH - Clark Point Road - 130

William Lawton Jr. may have used the Freeman wharf too. The Lawtons both started out as tin smiths, a natural outgrowth of which would have been canning. It is unclear whether William Lawton Sr. was actively involved in canning fish in Southwest Harbor.

Alton E. Farnsworth Lobster, Clam and Sardine Factory  
Farnsworth - Alton E. Farnsworth (1866-1926)

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Title: Freeman's Wharf

Farnsworth Fish Factory

Type: Reference

Subject: Structures, Transportation, Marine Landing, Wharf

Businesses, Cannery Business

Description: Built by John T.R. Freeman around 1885.

The wharf was occupied by several canning businesses at various times

Place: Southwest Harbor

State: ME

Country: USA

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