

BAYLY HOUSE - 207 HIGH STREET

The Bayly house is probably the oldest dwelling in Cambridge. It was moved from Annapolis in the 1750's or early 1760's by John Caile, and reassembled on the present site with the front originally facing the river. The oldest portion of the house is the larger frame section. The brick addition on the north was built by Dr. Alexander A. Bayly sometime in the early 19th century. Dr. Bayly also added the porches to what is now the front. In the rear of this house are boxwood gardens and several early outbuildings, including a smokehouse.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM

for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME				
COMMON: The Bayly House				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: 207 High Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Cambridge				
STATE Maryland		COUNTY: Dorchester		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____ _____
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: E. Bayly Orem				
STREET AND NUMBER: 207 High Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Cambridge		STATE: Maryland		
				21613
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Dorchester County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER: 206 High Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Cambridge		STATE: Maryland		
				21613
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The oldest portion of this house is the larger frame section, which dates to the 1750's or 1760's and possibly earlier. The brick addition on the north was added sometime in the early 19th century. The entrance was originally on the north facade, although it now faces the street. The house consists of two and one half stories with a gabled roof and three gabled dormers on the front. Each dormer has a sash window with six over six lights. A two story porch extends across the frame portion of the front. The porch is supported by five doric columns on each story, and has a ballustrade at each level. There are five bays on the front and the windows are all six over four sash. The eight paneled front door has louvred shutters, and above the door is a rectangular transom with four lights.

Standing in front of the house is an iron hitching post with a horsehead, and the front yard is enclosed by a white picket fence. Behind the house are boxwood gardens, and a line of early out-buildings, including a smokehouse.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian	<input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century
<input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century	<input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century	

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1750's or 1760's; early 19th century

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

History:

This lot formed the northeast corner of the original Christ Church property which was confirmed to the church by the Act of 1706. In July 1750, the church authorities leased to John Caile (early merchant and Clerk of Court) 10 perches of this property. Sometime after this, either in the 1750's or early 1760's, John Caile took to pieces a frame dwelling that he owned in Annapolis, shipped it to Cambridge and put it together again on this lot. The original front was facing toward the river, but the entrance was changed when the brick addition was built by Dr. Alexander A. Bayly. Dr. Bayly also added the porches to the front. The property has been in the Bayly family for six generations.

Significance:

Although moved from Annapolis, this is probably the oldest house in Cambridge that is still standing. Well maintained, it contributes to the historic character of High Street which possesses many of the oldest and most architecturally significant dwellings in Cambridge.

SELECTION INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

F. Arthur Lascowski, Papers,
Sullivane, Col. Clement, article reprinted in the
Daily Banner, April 16, 1925

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

11. FORM PREPARED BY

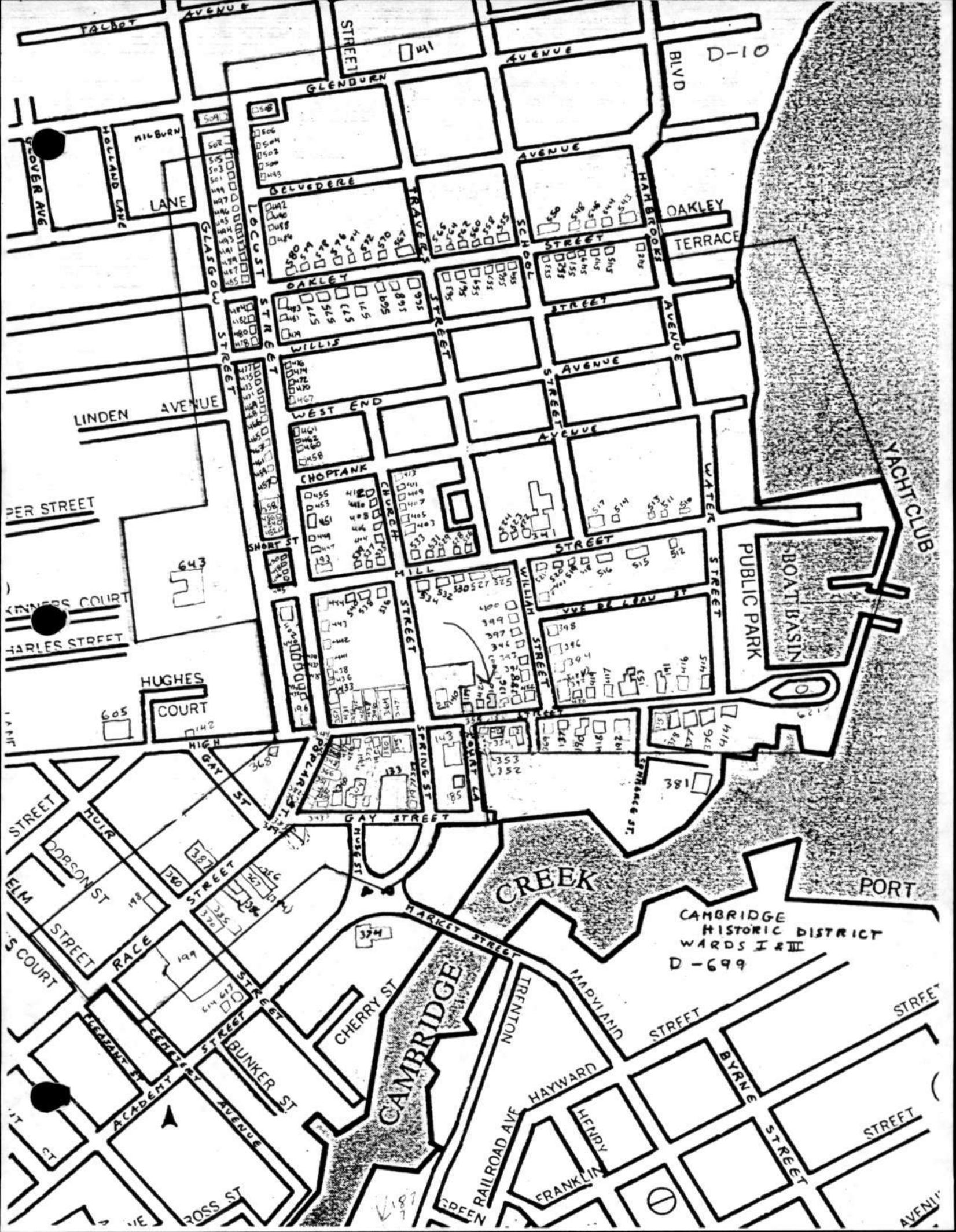
NAME AND TITLE: Catherine L. Moore		
ORGANIZATION	DATE	11/10/75
STREET AND NUMBER: Route 3, Box 32		
CITY OR TOWN: Cambridge	STATE Maryland	21613

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National State Local

Signature _____



CAMBRIDGE HISTORIC DISTRICT
WARDS I & III
D-699

CAMBRIDGE

CREEK

BOAT BASIN
PUBLIC PARK

YACHT CLUB

HUGHES COURT

KINNERS COURT
CHARLES STREET

MILBURN LANE
HOLLAND LANE
LANE

LINDEN AVENUE

DELVEDERE

OAKLEY TERRACE

WEST END

CHOPTANK CHURCH

WILLIAM STREET

PER STREET

STREET

ELM STREET

STREET

STREET

STREET

AVENUE

643

605

1142

368

387

380

325

320

199

197

197

197

197

197

197

197

197

197

197

197

197

197

197

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

508

506

504

502

500

498

496

494

492

490

488

486

484

482

480

478

476

474

472

470

468

466

464

462

460

458

456

454

452

450

448

446

444

442

440

438

436

434

432

430

428

426

424

422

420

418

416

414

412

410

408

406

404

402

400

398

396

394

392

390

388

386

384

382

380

378

376

374

372

370

368

366

364

362

360

358

356

354

352

350

348

346

344

342

340

338

336

334

332

330

328

326

324

322

320

318

316

314

312

310

308

306

304

302

300

298

296

294

292

290

288

286

284

282

280

278

276

274

272

270

268

266

264

262

260

258

256

254

252

250

248

246

244

242

240

238

236

234

232

230

228

226

224

222

220

218

216

214

212

210

208

206

204

202

200

198

196

194

192

190

188

186

184

182

180

178

176

174

172

170

168

166

164

162

160

158

156

154

152

150

148

146

144

142

140

138

136

134

132

130

128

126

124

122

120

118

116

114

112

110

108

106

104

102

100

98

96

94

92

90

88

86

84

82

80

78

76

74

72

70

68

66

64

62

60

58

56

54

52

50

48

46

44

42

40

38

36

D-10
Bayly House
207 High St.
Cambridge
Cambridge Quad.
Dorchester Co.





207 HIGH ST., CAMBRIDGE, MD. - EAST FACADE - C.L. MOORE, 1976

D-10
64%

D-10

(2.10) 12696 11x11.55



Bayly House



Chapter 2, Fig. 10

D-10