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c. 1825-1850 and earlier

Reeves House

St. Michaels

private

The uniform exterior appearance of this two-story common bond brick house on Thompsons Alley belies its complete history. During an extensive renovation of the dwelling it was discovered that the current exterior walls sheath an earlier single-story brick structure. The exact age of the former house is undetermined since all visible elements of the original house have been removed or covered.

The house probably achieved its present appearance after the Stewards of the Methodist Episcopal Church bought the lot in 1839 (54/248) and used the house as their parsonage. Mentioned in the deed is the phrase, "the house, lot and premises on Thompson's Alley formerly the residence of John Wrightson, deceased, now occupied by Reverend William Allen.

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Wrightson House, Methodist Parsonage

and/or common Reeves House

2. Location

street & number 105 Thompson's Alley ___ not for publication

city, town St. Michaels ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Talbot

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name St. Clair Reeves

street & number 4608 Guilford Avenue telephone no.:

city, town College Park state and zip code MD 20740

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Clerk of Court liber 450

street & number Talbot County Courthouse folio 140

city, town Easton state MD 21601

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. T-550

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Reeves house description

The Reeves house is located at 105 Thompson Alley approximately one block west of Talbot Street in St. Michaels, Maryland. The house faces south with the principal gable running on a east/west axis.

The two-story three-bay single-pile common bond brick house is covered by a medium pitched asphalt shingle roof and is extended to the rear by a modern single-story kitchen addition. During the renovation of the brick section it was discovered by the carpenter that the present brick exterior covers an earlier brick house that was visible when the interior was stripped of its plaster. The seams are no longer visible.

The south (main) facade is a symmetrical elevation with a center entrance and flanking 6/6 sash windows. The front door has been replaced, but a two-light transom remains over the door. The windows have wooden lintels, however, located above each lintel is an obsolete brick jack arch. The present owner mentioned that the left arch was inserted to match the right window arch. Three 6/6 sash windows light the second floor. The top of the wall is finished by a two-course brick cornice.

Both gable ends are pierced by 6/6 sash windows that flank the interior end brick chimneys. The chimney caps are corbelled.

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The interior has been fully renewed with the consolidation of the first floor into one large room. A center stair formerly rose to the second floor between the two rooms. The stair has been relocated in the rear kitchen wing. The second floor has been similarly reworked, however a patch in the floor indicates the location of the original stair. The attic is accessible through a crawl space above the new stair. A common rafter roof is held together with cut-nails.

8. Significance

Survey No. T-550

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or

Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Reeves house has been completely remodeled inside and stripped of any period mantels, doors, and woodwork. From exterior details the house appears to have been rebuilt around an older house, c. 1825-1850. Despite its remodeling it remains as one of a few masonry houses erected in St. Michaels.

Young Braddock
House

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HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT
NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 458 PAGE: 140 DATE MADE: 1971 PRICE: \$5 (ovc, cm, specie)

FROM: JESSE A WEBB

TO: ST. CLAIR REEVES

NOTES: (In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes. Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

Begin at a post on North side Thompson's Alley at SE corner of lot belonging to Wm. Skinner. Run with Skinner North 120' to James Harrison. With Harrison East 35' to William W Bruff; with Bruff South 120' to Thompson's Alley; with Alley 35' to beginning.

Conveyed to Webb by Schulz 383/560 1963

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

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HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT
NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 383 PAGE: 560 DATE MADE: 1963 PRICE: _____ (ovc, cm, specie)

FROM:
LEO SCHULZ

TO:
JESSE A WEBB

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Same description as 458/140 (following)

Conveyed to Schulz by Hope 289/469 1950

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 289 PAGE: 469 DATE MADE: 1950 PRICE: \$1100 (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM: PHILIP H HOPE

TO: LEO SCHULZ

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Part of the property conveyed to Hope by Richard Moore, 240/507 1938

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 240 PAGE: 507 DATE MADE: 1938 PRICE: \$5 (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM: RICHARD & JOSEPHINE MOORE

TO: PHILIP H & LORENA HOPE

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Lot #1. Begin at SE corner of William Skinner run with Skinner N 120' to James Harrison; run with Harrison E 35' to William W Bruff; run with Bruff S 120' to Thompson's Alley to beginning.

Lot #2. Begin at SW corner of Wm A Donophon (formerly Sarah Ridgeway) run N 127'; then W 60' to Clifton & Annie Jones; then S 127' to Thompson's Alley; then E 60 ' to beginning.

Both lots were devised to Richard Moore by Emily Moore (nee Emily Skinner) 1933 J A S 23/356. Emily Moore inherited the property from her daughter, Annie E Jones. Her sole heir was her mother, Emily Skinner, who after the death of her husband Wm Skinner, married Richard Moore.

Lot # 1 is lot under consideration here.

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

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HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 178 PAGE: 350 DATE MADE: 1918 PRICE: \$600 (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM: MARGARET E R WILLIAMS

TO: CLIFTON AND ANNIE JONES

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Same as 458/140

Conveyed to Williams (nee Thomas) by Jump 90/37

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT
NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 178 PAGE: 351 DATE MADE: 1918 PRICE: _____ (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM: CLIFTON JONES

TO: CITIZENS BANK OF ST. MICHAELS

NOTES:(In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes . Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

Mortgage. 500 dollars. Buildings to be kept insured for at least \$500

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

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LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT
NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 90 PAGE: 37 DATE MADE: 1880 PRICE: \$500 (ovc, cm, specie)

FROM: CHARLOTTE L. AND ALEXANDER JUMP

TO: MARGARET E THOMAS

NOTES: (In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes. Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

Same description as 458/140

To Jump by Wm W Bruff 83/133 and part of 67/510 by John Dunning, 1857 and to Dunning by Joseph Bruff and the ME Church on 67/330.

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 83 PAGE: 133 DATE MADE: 1876 PRICE: \$80 (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM: WILLIAM W BRUFF

TO: C. S. JUMP

NOTES: (In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes . Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

- Same as 458/140

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 74 PAGE: 426 DATE MADE: 1868 PRICE: \$100 (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM: JAMES VALLIANT

TO: WILLIAM W BRUFF

NOTES: (In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes . Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

Begin at SW corner of a lot on PARSONAGE ALLEY belonging to Wm W Bruff; run with alley 70' to a lot belonging to James Valliant; then North 120' to James Harrison; with Harrison East to Bruff then South 120' to the beginning.

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

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HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT
NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 68 PAGE: 648 DATE MADE: 1860 PRICE: _____ (ovc, cm, specie)

FROM: JOHN DUNNING

TO: JAMES VALLIANT

NOTES: (In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes . Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

This sale included two parcels. One on Chestnut Street and the other on Thompson's Alley.

Begin at the SW corner of W W Bruff's lot on N side Thompson's Alley. Run West with ~~Bruff~~ 152' to Charles A Smithson's lot; then North with Smithson 118'4" to James Harrison's lot. Then East with Harrison to Bruff 152' then South with Bruff 121' to the beginning.

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

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HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT
NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 67 PAGE: 330 DATE MADE: 1856 PRICE: \$725 (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM: Methodist Episcopal Church

TO: JOHN DUNNING

NOTES: (In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes. Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

Begin on N side Thompson's Alley about 120' from Talbot Street, at SE corner of Nicholas Orem's lot. Run W along Thompson's Alley about 251' to a lot belonging to the Rev. Samuel Grace, the with Grace and Charles A Smithson's lot, N 120' to James Harrison's lot; then E with Harrison to heirs of Alexander Graham's and Alfred Harrison's lots, 251' to NW corner of Sarah Harrington and Nicholas Orem's lots; then S with Harrington and Orem 120' to the beginning.

This parcel included all of the four original 60' foot lots on Thompson's Alley: nos. 7,8,9,10 (or as renumbered in 1804:38,39,40,41) plus about 11'. The lot under consideration is number 8 (39).

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

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HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 54 PAGE: 248 DATE MADE: 1839 PRICE: \$400 (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM: ALEXANDER B HARRISON, SURVIVING PARTNER OF SAMUEL & ALEXANDER B HARRISON

TO: JOSEPH BRUFF AND STEWARDS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF TALBOT COUNTY

NOTES: (In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes . Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

The house, lot, and premises on Thompson's Alley formerly the residence of John Wrightson dcd, now occupied by Rev. William Allen

The only way this makes sense is to assume that this deed included all of the property (four lots) bought by the Harrisons on 46/107, 1825.

The following sale, 67/330, 1856 M-E Church to John Dunning includes the same property.

This does not account for the present two houses on the four lots (105 and 103), nor does it identify which this house is.

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

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LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT
NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 46 PAGE: 107 DATE MADE: 1825 PRICE: \$490.52 (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM: SARAH WRIGHTSON, ET. AL.
(Sarah, Thomas, James, Sedgewicke, and John B Wrightson)

TO: SAMUEL & ALEXANDER B HARRISON

NOTES: (In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes. Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

Between Church Creek and Broad Creek in the town of St. Michaels. Part of Janes Progress and Chance. Lots 7, 8, 9, 10 on plat of the "Addition to St. Michaels". Begin at the S corner of lot of John Bruff, run S 24°39' E 120' to Thompson's Alley; with Alley 246' to the corner of lot no.11; then N 24°30' W 120' to the corner of Bruff's lot, then to beginning. 2 acres.

This is the block of four lots, shown on Tax Map as Mount, Johnston, Reeves, and Johnson.

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

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HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT
NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 24 PAGE: 369 DATE MADE: 1791 PRICE: £ 12 cm (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM: JOHN THOMPSON, extr. of Baltimore County

TO: JOHN WRIGHTSON

NOTES:(In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes . Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

Same description as 46/107

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

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HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 Thompson's Alley

ORIGINAL LOT
NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 21 PAGE: 413 DATE MADE: 1784 PRICE: £500 sp (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM:

JAMES WIGNALS

TO:

JOHN THOMPSON

NOTES: (In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes. Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

"All that part of two tracts of land near St. Michaels Church called Chance and Janes Progress which was purchased by James Braddock from George Gleave, formerly in the possession of James Hewes, on the South side of the main road..."

This sale also included Lot #7 and Lot #14 ("The Shipyard") on Mulberry Street.

See diagram for approximate boundaries of Chance and Janes Progress.

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

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HISTORIC ST. MICHAELS-BAY HUNDRED

HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

LOCATION: 105 THOMPSON'S ALLEY

ORIGINAL LOT NUMBER _____

Braddock
Thompson
Harrison

VOL: 21 PAGE: 417 DATE MADE: 1784 PRICE: £600 sp (ovc,cm,specie)

FROM:
JOHN THOMPSON

TO:
JAMES WIGNAL

NOTES:(In a series on any one property include at least one description from a deed which will definitely identify the property and note any subsequent changes . Also include here - if given - the reference to previous deeds, wills, etc. which indicate how the seller acquired the property.)

By this deed, James Wignal, representative of Gildart & Gawith, purchased from John Thompson all of the remaining unsold real estate which had been left to Thompson by James Braddock. This included the parts of Chance and Janes Progress which lay "South" or West of the main road.

Thompson immediately bought back this property and two additional lots inside the original limits of the town laid out by Braddock. (See 21/413, 1784)

Was a house or other building specifically mentioned in this deed? YES NO

RESEARCHER _____

REEVES HOUSE

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YEAR: 1971 VOL: 458 PAGE: 140

FROM : Jesse A Webb PRICE:

TO : St. Clair Reeves

NOTES: Begins at a post on the North side of Thompson's Alley at the SE corner of a lot belonging Wm. Skinner. Run with Skinner N 120' to James Harrison; with Harrison E 35' to William W Bruff; with Bruff S 120' to Thompson's Alley; with Alley 35' to the beginning.

Conveyed to Jesse A Webb by Leo Schulz, 1963, 383/560.

YEAR: 1963 VOL: 383 PAGE: 560

FROM : Leo Schulz PRICE:

TO : Jesse A Webb

NOTES: Same description.

Conveyed to Leo Schulz by Philip H Hope 1950, 289/469.

YEAR: 1950 VOL: 289 PAGE: 469

FROM : Philip H Hope PRICE: \$1100

TO : Leo Schulz

NOTES: Same description.

Conveyed to Philip H Hope by Richard Moore, 1938, 240/507.

YEAR: 1938 VOL: 240 PAGE: 507

FROM : Richard and Josephine Moore PRICE:

TO : Philip H and Lorena Hope

NOTES: Same description. Lot one of two.

Devised to Richard Moore by Emily Moore (nee Emily Skinner) Will 1933, 23/356.

Emily Moore inherited the property from her daughter Annie E Jones. Annie's sole heir was her mother, Emily Skinner. After the death of her husband William Skinner, Emily married Richard Moore.

Conveyed to Clifton and Annie Jones by Margaret E R Williams 1918, 178/350.

YEAR: 1918 VOL: 178 PAGE: 350

FROM : Margaret E R Williams PRICE: \$600

TO : Clifton and Annie Jones

NOTES: Same description.

Conveyed to Margaret E Thomas (Mrs Margaret E R Williams) by Charlotte and Alexander Jump 1880, 90/37.

YEAR: 1880 VOL: 90 PAGE: 37
FROM : Charlotte L and Alexander Jump PRICE: \$500
TO : Margaret E Thomas
NOTES: Same description.
Conveyed to C S Jump by William W Bruff 1876, 83/133.

YEAR: 1877 VOL: ** PAGE: 416
FROM : A volume at HALL OF RECORDS: "1876-1896 Assessments"
for Talbot County.
NOTES: "Mrs. C. L. Jump. 1877 Part of lot of Wm. W. Bruff \$80. Improvements,
NEW BRICK HOUSE \$500. (Copied by Mrs. Bernice Leonard)

Mrs. Leonard has a son-in-law, name of Schulz (see 1950, above) who lived in the house. Based on his information, a brick bearing the date "1877" was found on the corner of the East side of the house, about ten feet above ground level.

YEAR: 1876 VOL: 83 PAGE: 133
FROM : William W Bruff PRICE: \$80
TO : C. L. Jump
NOTES: Same description. This is first subdivision of the Reeves lot to its final demensions.
Conveyed to William W Bruff by James Valliant 1868, 74/426.

YEAR: 1868 VOL: 74 PAGE: 426
FROM : James Valliant PRICE: \$100
TO : William W Bruff
NOTES: Begins at SW corner of a lot on PARSONAGE ALLEY belonging to Wm W Bruff; run with the alley 70' to a lot belonging to James Valliant; then N 120' to James Harrison; with Harrison E to Bruff then S 120' to the beginning. The lot begins at the W end of the 97 foot lot Bruff had bought from John Dunning in 1857 and runs W 70 feet on the alley to within 5 feet of the W boundary of the present 35 foot lot. With this purchase Bruff now owns 167 feet on Thompson's (or Parsonage) Alley, including the Bruff-Mount house and the site of the Reeves House.
Conveyed to James Valliant by John Dunning 1860, 68/648.

YEAR: 1860 VOL: 68 PAGE: 648

FROM : John Dunning PRICE:

TO : James Valliant

NOTES: Begins at SW corner of W W Bruff's lot on N side Thompson's Alley; run W with Alley to Charles A Smithson's lot; then N with Smithson 118' 4" to James Harrison's lot; then E 152' with Harrison to Bruff; then S with Bruff 121' to the beginning.

With the sale of this lot John Dunning disposes of all (almost!) of the 251' lot he had bought from the ME Church in 1856. He sold 97 feet to Wm Bruff in 1857 and with this sale of 152 feet, makes a total of 249 feet.

Conveyed to John Dunning by the Methodist Episcopal Church 1856, 67/330.

YEAR: 1856 VOL: 67 PAGE: 330

FROM : Methodist Episcopal Church PRICE: \$725

TO : John Dunning

NOTES: Begins on N side Thompson's Alley about 120' from Talbot St, at SE corner of Nicholas Orem's lot. Run W along alley about 251' to Rev Samuel Grace; with Grace and Charles A Smithson N 120' to James Harrison; E with Harrison to heirs of Alexander Graham and Alfred Harrison's lots, 251' to corner of Sarah Harrington and Nicholas Orem; S with Harrington and Orem to the beginning.

This deed included all of the four original 60-foot lots on Thompson's Alley: numbers 7, 8, 9, 10 (or as renumbered in 1804:38, 39, 40, 41) plus about 11'. The Reeves house is on number 8 (39).

Conveyed to the Methodist Episcopal Church by Alexander B Harrison 1839, 54/248.

YEAR: 1839 VOL: 54 PAGE: 248

FROM : Alexander B Harrison* PRICE: \$400

TO : Joseph Bruff and Stewards of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Talbot Cty

NOTES: The deed says: "The house, lot, and premises on Thompson's Alley formerly the residence of John Wrightson, dcd, now occupied by Rev William Allen.

*Surviving partner of Samuel and Alexander B Harrison.

Conveyed to Samuel and Alexander B Harrison by Sarah Wrightson et al 1825, 46/107.

YEAR: 1825 VOL: 46 PAGE: 107

FROM : Sarah, Thomas, James, Sedgewicke and John B Wrightson PRICE: \$490.52

TO : Samuel and Alexander B Harrison

NOTES: Between Church Creek and Broad Creek in the Town of St Michaels. Part of Janes Progress and Chance. Lots 7, 8, 9, 10 of the "Addition to St Michaels". 246' x 120'.

Conveyed to John Wrightson by John Thompson, extr. of Baltimore County 1791, 24/369.

YEAR: 1791 VOL: 24 PAGE: 369

FROM : John Thompson, Executor of estate of John Thompson PRICE: p12 cm

TO : John Wrightson

NOTES: Same as previous description.

Conveyed to John Thompson, sr. by James Wignals 1784, 21/413. The description is "All that part of two tracts of land near St Michaels Church called "Chance" and "Janes Progress" which was purchased by James Braddock from George Gleave, formerly in the possession of James Hewes, on the south side of the main road.."

The sale also included lot 7 and lot 14, Thompson's dwelling house lot and "The Shipyard"

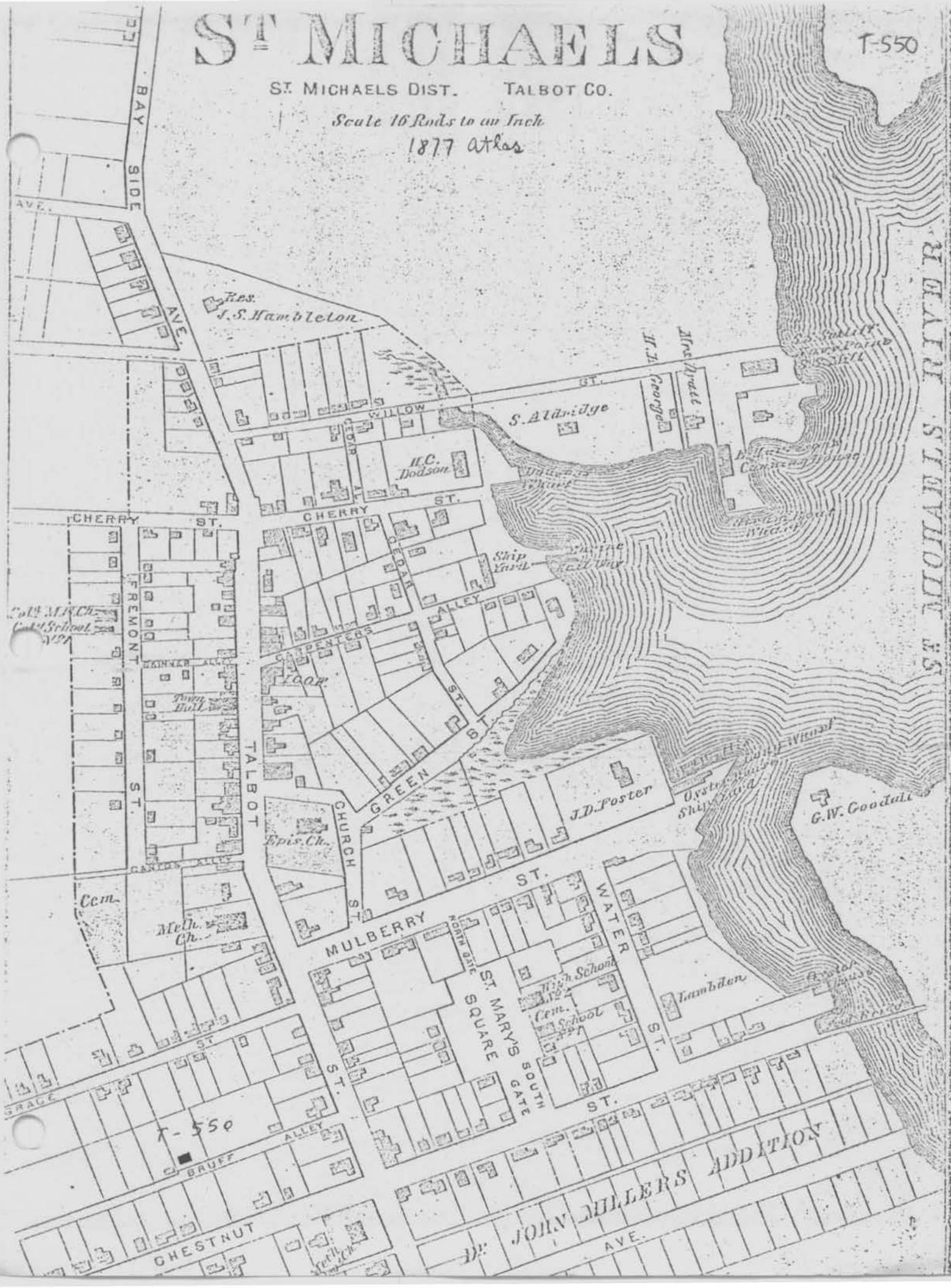
John Thompson had been left ALL of Braddock's unsold land by Braddock in 1782. The fact that Braddock had used his employer's funds to acquire the property apparently raised questions about the ownership. In 1784, 21/417 Thompson "sold" all of Braddock's land to James Wignals (representative of Gildart & Gawith of Liverpool) for p600 sp and then bought part of it back for p500 sp. The part South of the main road became "Thompson's Addition" or "Thompson's Square" of 1804.

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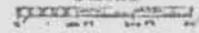
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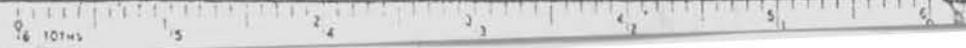
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