

T-552

c. 1840-1850

102 Carpenter Street

St. Michaels

private

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It is not exactly certain when this house was erected but the chain of title suggests a house is standing on this lot by the late 1850s or early 1860s. Alexander Hambleton, Jr. sold this Carpenter Street lot to William P. Blades in 1856 for \$70 (67/161), and eight years later the "house and lot" were transferred to James M. and Louisa F. Seth for \$220 (71/23).

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common 102 Carpenter Street

## 2. Location

street & number 102 Carpenter Street

not for publication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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<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:

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

name Dianna Mautz

street & number

telephone no.:

city, town St. Michaels

state and zip code MD 21663

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot Clerk of Court

liber

street & number Talbot County Courthouse

folio

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-552

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<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.

## 102 Carpenter Street description

The house at 102 Carpenter Street stands on the south side of the street less than one block east of Talbot Street, St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland. The two-story mid-19th century frame house faces north with the gable running on a east/west axis.

The C. 1850-1860 hall/parlor plan frame house rests on a minimal brick pier foundation and is sheathed with asbestos shingles. The steeply pitched gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. A shed roof kitchen stretches ~~across~~ the back of the house.

The north (main) facade is a symmetrical three-bay elevation with a center door and flanking 6/6 sash windows. The front door has been replaced. A patch of asbestos has been removed from the lower left corner which reveals wide horizontal weatherboards. The second floor is lighted by fixed six-pane windows. A simple board soffit finishes the eave.

The west gable end elevation is distinguished by an exterior stuccoed brick chimney stack with a corbelled base. A single 6/6 sash window pierces the north bay of the second floor. The gable end is flush.

The east gable end wall is a plain asbestos shingle wall with no window openings.

(Continued on insert)

Stretching across the south (rear) facade is a shed kitchen with a door in the east end. The second floor is similarly pierced by six-pane windows.

The first floor is divided into a hall and parlor plan with a stud partition dividing the unequal sized rooms. The hall, the larger of the two rooms, has a winder stair that rises in the southwest corner. The stair is enclosed above the first few steps. A board and batten door retains a wrought-iron thumb latch. The mantel is a plain mid 19th- century form with undecorated pilasters and a plain frieze. The second, smaller room is unheated and undistinguished with notable details. The second floor is undivided and finished like the first floor with lath and plaster. Sawn lath fastened with cut-nails is evident on the second floor. The shed kitchen is unremarkable, and apparently it postdates the construction of the main house since it covers exterior weatherboards.

# 8. Significance

Survey No. T-552

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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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"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<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.

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Notes: See attached deed and plat.

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Solomon Caplan and wife conveyed their interest in this and other properties to Clifton Hope, 1919, 180/245. The total paid to Caplan for his interest in all properties was \$975.

Year: 1915 Vol: 171 Page: 303  
 From: T Hughlett Henry, Trustee Price: \$335  
 To : Clifton Hope and Solomon Caplan  
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Conveyed to James M Seth by Isaac G Townsend, 1866, 72/386

Year: 1866 Vol: 72 Page: 386  
 From: Isaac G and Sarah E Townsend Price: \$220  
 To : James M Seth  
 Notes: On Carpenter Street adjoining the lot of Perry Porter and the Odd Fellows Hall.

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Year: 1864 Vol: 71 Page: 23  
 From: James M and Louisa F Seth Price: \$220  
 To : Isaac G Townsend  
 Notes: House and lot on Carpenters Alley, one side adjoining Perry Porter, the other side the Odd Fellows Hall.

Purchased by Seth at the sale of real estate of William P Blades. At time of sale the house was rented by Isaac Townsend.

Year: 1856 Vol: 67 Page: 161

From: Alexander Hambleton, Jr Price: \$70

To : William P Blades

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Part of a tract purchased from Samuel H Wrightson by Alexander Hambleton  
10 June 1854, 66/64.

Year: 1854 Vol: 66 Page: 64

From: Samuel H Wrightson and Hester E Price: \$125

To : Alexander Hambleton

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See the remarks regarding Sam Wrightson's probable right to this property under GAULT - CHERRY STREET PAGE FOUR. (There is not room on this form for the discussion ) The following is not on the computer and is taken from the GAULT chain:

According to Bernice Leonard, Samuel Harrison Wrightson was the son of Eliza Wrightson (d.1844). Eliza was the daughter of Joseph (of Joseph Harrison) and Mary Harrison, daughter of Thomas and Mary Harrison who were owners of "Joseph's Lot" or "Stopper". Other Harrisons, such as Jeremiah, Robert, and Edward and Samuel can show the derivation of their titles---but not Sam Wrightson, although he is definitely in the running as an heir to the part of "Joseph's Lot" not sold, leased, or willed to Jeremiah, Samuel, Edward and Robert. This will be straightened out someday...but not now!

The fact that a Harrison named Joseph (son of a Joseph Harrison) married a Harrison named Mary (daughter of a Thomas and Mary Harrison) adds to the confusion. Thomas and Mary were the owners of "Joseph's Lot" when St. Michaels was getting started and how the land was divided between their 9 children (he died 1801, she died 1819) has got to be straightened out sooner or later. I think Irma Harper knows but she ain't sayin' nothin'!!

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IN WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal.



Mary P. Newnam  
Notary Public.

DEED

ALBERT L. FAIRBANK AND WIFE ✓  
EMILY L. FAIRBANK )  
TO  
CLARENCE H. WATERS AND )  
MAPEL O. WATERS )  
  
U.S. INTERNAL REVENUE )  
STAMP \$1.00 ✓ )

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WITNESSETH, that in consideration of the sum of Five Dollars and other valuable considerations, the said Albert L. Fairbank and Emily L. Fairbank, his wife, do grant and convey unto the said Clarence H. Waters and Mabel O. Waters, his wife, as tenants by entireties, their heirs and assigns, in fee simple, all and singular that lot of ground, situate, lying and being in County and State aforesaid, and described as follows, that is to say:

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BEING the same land (containing the reservations hereby expressly made) which was conveyed to said Albert L. Fairbank by Wm. E. Chamberlaine and wife, by deed dated November 7, 1925. and duly recorded in 204/273

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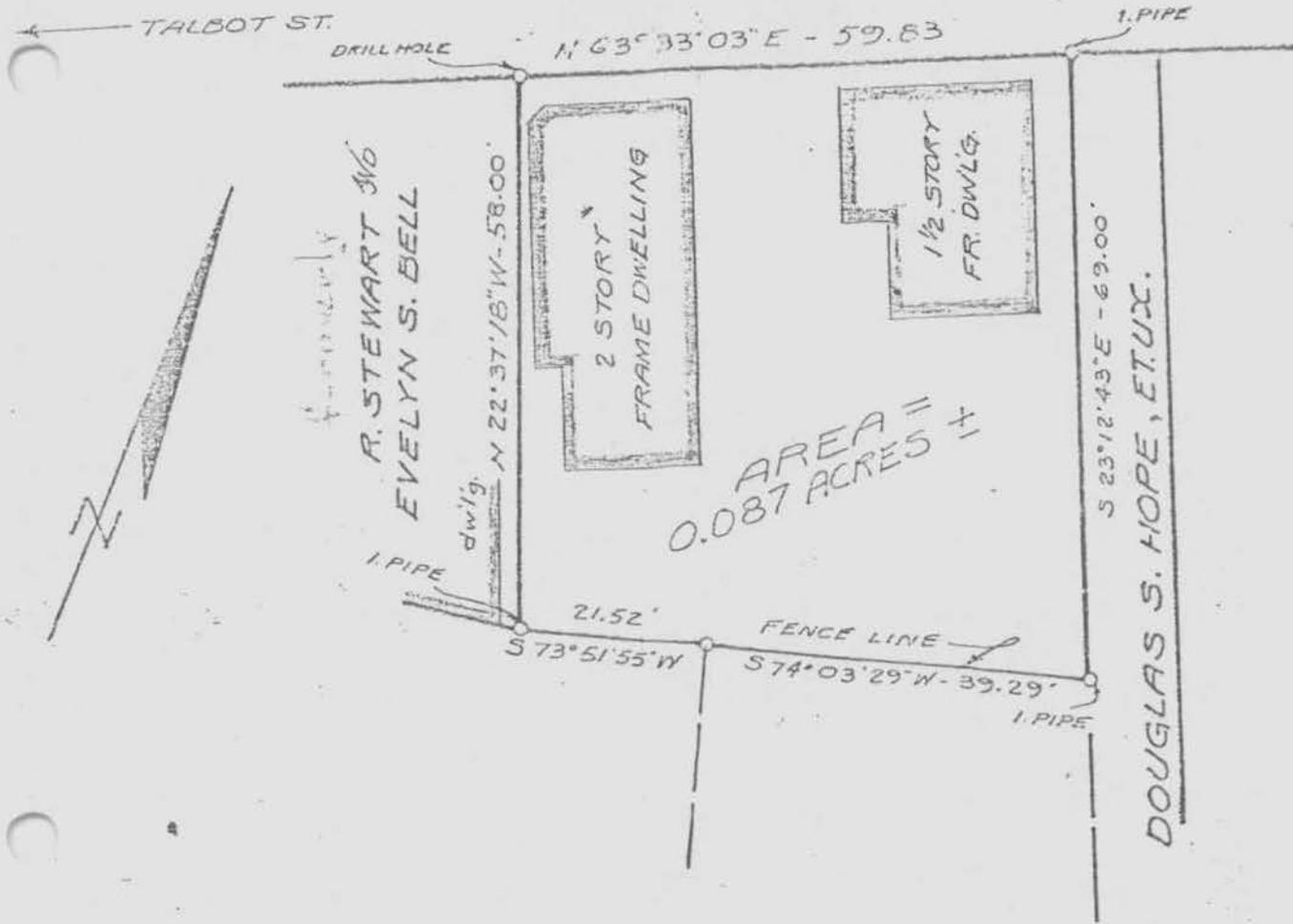
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Exhibits

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PLAT SHOWING  
LOT BELONGING TO  
**GENEVIEVE LUSCOMBE**

THE TOWN OF ST. MICHAELS  
TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND  
1"=20' 5-27-83

J. TILGHMAN SURVEYOR  
BOX 508

ST. MICHAELS, MD.

MT.D7

For Recording

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June 2:10 P.M.  
AUG -8-83 # 27578 \*\*\*345.00  
AUG -8-83 A 27578 \*\*\*200.00  
AUG -8-83 A 27577 \*\*\*132.00  
AUG -8-83 A 27576 \*\*\*13.00

9 2 83  
Easton, Md. 21601  
130 N. Washington St.  
returned to Franch, Earnest & Cowdrey

THIS DEED, Made this 8th day of August, in the year nineteen hundred and eighty-three (1983), by Genevieve W. Luscombe of 504 Launfall Road, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19463, State of Maryland.

WITNESSETH: That for and in consideration of the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00), including the amount of any mortgage or deed of trust given or assumed by the grantee herein, the receipt of which being hereby acknowledged, the said Genevieve W. Luscombe does hereby grant and convey unto John F. Mautz and Diana G. Mautz, his wife, as tenants by the entireties, their heirs and assigns, in fee simple, the following described property, to wit:

ALL that lot or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Town of St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland, and according to a Plat entitled "PLAT SHOWING LOT BELONGING TO GENEVIEVE LUSCOMBE IN THE TOWN OF ST. MICHAELS TALBOT COUNTY, MARYLAND" prepared by J. Tilghman Downey, dated May 27, 1983, and intended for recording among the Plat Records of Talbot County, Maryland, simultaneously with the recording of these presents, is more particularly described as follows:

Beginning for the same at the end of the first or nearly West 18 feet, 4 inches line of that tract or parcel of land conveyed by and described in a deed from Thomas E. Harrison and Octavia L. Harrison, his wife, to Clarence Waters, by deed dated 11, July 1917, and recorded among the land records of Talbot County in liber C.B.L. No. 179, folio 182, said point being on the Southerly side of Carpenter Street, and running thence binding thereon North 63 degrees 33' 03" East 59.83 feet to the lands of D. S. Hope, et al., thence leaving Carpenter Street, South 23 degrees 12' 43" East 69.00 feet to a pipe, thence binding on a fence as now situated South 74 degrees 03' 29" West 39.29 feet to a fence post, thence South 73 degrees 51' 55" West 21.52 feet to a pipe now set at the southeasterly corner of the lands formerly of Bell, thence binding thereon North 22 degrees 37' 18" West 58.00 feet to the beginning hereof, containing 0.087 acres of land, more or less.

BEING a part of the property devised unto the said Genevieve W. Luscombe by the Last Will and Testament of Clarence H. Waters dated December 9, 1954, and recorded among the Will Record Books of Talbot County, Maryland, in Liber RRS No. 34, folio 39. AND BEING ALSO the same lots or parcels of land described in the following two Deeds: (1) Deed to Clarence Waters from Thomas E. Harrison, et ux, dated July 11, 1917, and recorded among the Land Records of Talbot County, Maryland, in Liber No. 179, folio 182, and (2) Deed to Clarence H. Waters and Mabel O. Waters, his wife, from Albert L. Fairbank, et ux, dated November 28, 1925, and recorded among the Land Records of Talbot County, Maryland, in Liber No. 204, folio 403. The said Mabel O. Waters having predeceased him, title to the said property became vested in the said Clarence H. Waters as the surviving tenant by the entirety.

TOGETHER with the buildings and improvements thereupon erected, made or being; and all and every, the rights, alleys, ways, waters, privileges, appurtenances and advantages to the same belonging and in any wise appertaining.



DR. DODSON'S  
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METHODIST  
CEMETERY

ST MARY'S  
SQUARE

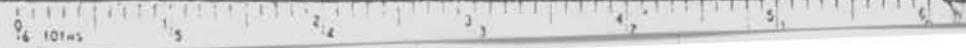
BACK CREEK

MAP  
OF  
ST. MICHAELS

TALBOT CO. MARYLAND

SCALE

JAN. 1, 1825. THOMAS F. BAIRD

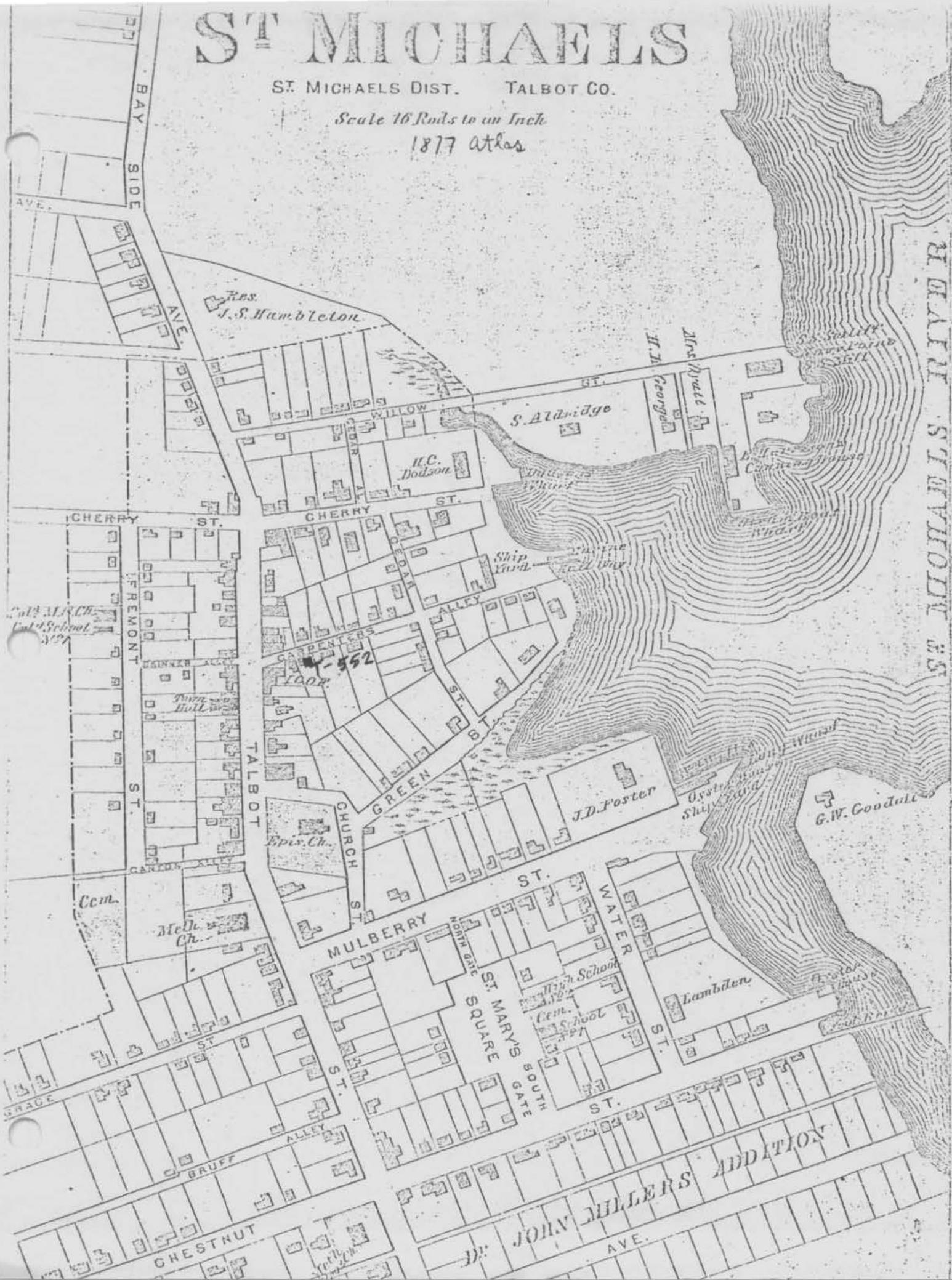


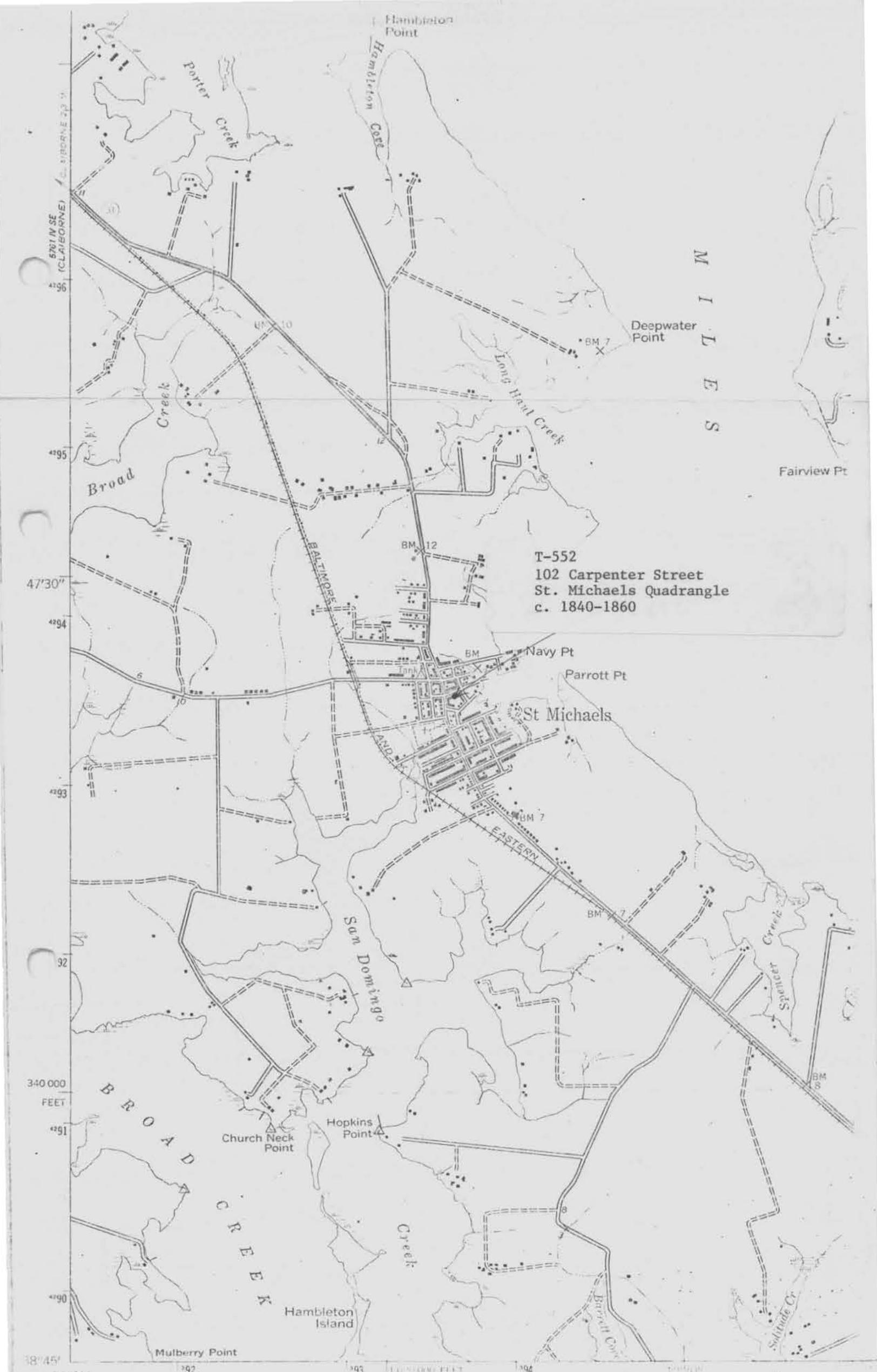
# ST MICHAELS

ST. MICHAELS DIST. TALBOT CO.

Scale 16 Rods to an Inch

1877 Atlas





Mapped by the Army Map Service  
 Published for civil use by the Geological Survey  
 Control by USC&GS



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St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland  
North Elevation  
4/85, Paul Touart, Photographer  
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