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c. 1870-1880

Hope's Hardware

St. Michaels

private

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The Hope family has owned this business location since Clifton Hope purchased the lot from Barnett Beneman in 1913 (166/64).

# Maryland Historical Trust

## State Historic Sites Inventory Form

### 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Hope's Hardware

### 2. Location

street & number East side of Talbot Street <sup>209</sup>  not for publicationcity, town St. Michaels  vicinity of  congressional district Firststate 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 checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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 Douglas S. Hope

street &amp; number Talbot Street telephone no.:

city, town St. Michaels state and zip code MD 21663

### 5. Location of Legal Description

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

street &amp; number Talbot County Courthouse folio

city, town Easton state MD

### 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

Survey No. T-567

<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input 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.

## Hope's Hardware description

Hope's Hardware is located on the east side of Talbot Street in the central business district of St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland. The two-story, two-bay frame store faces west with the principal gable oriented on an east/west axis.

Estimated to date to c. 1870-1880, the two-story, two-bay frame store is supported by a minimal brick foundation, and it is sheathed by asbestos shingles. The medium sloped roof is covered with asphalt shingles. A series of additions extend the commercial space to the east (rear).

The west (main) elevation of the main store is two bays across with an additional bay to the south. The first floor front has been altered with the addition of a shed roofed awning that covers the recessed entrance and multi-pane glass display windows. The second floor of the main block is lighted by evenly spaced six over six sash windows flanked by louvered shutters. The gable front is distinguished by a pediment that is trimmed with crown and bed moldings. The adjacent shed roofed addition is disguised by a parapet. The second floor is lighted by a six over six sash window.

The north side of the store has a blind first floor, while three six over six sash windows light the second floor. There is a slight jog in the north wall between the front and rear building. The rear sections are single-story sections covered with a variety of materials that include wood shingles and corrugated tin.

The interior has been generally remodeled to suit a modern hardware store. Located in the rear portion of the store is an enclosed stair with square newel post and turned balusters that support a molded handrail. A balustrade continues around the stairwell on the second floor. Some plastered surfaces with the sawn lath exposed are found on the second floor of the main store.

# 8. Significance

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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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### 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.

Hope's Hardware occupies a gable-front frame store building evidently erected during the mid to late nineteenth century. Although the first floor exterior has been altered with the addition of a wide eave, brick facing, and multi-pane display windows, the second floor has remained intact with a pedimented front and a parapet roof that disguises a shed roofed addition. The interior has been reworked to suit a modern hardware store, however a late nineteenth-century stair survives in the back room.



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Year: 1978 Vol: 527 Page: 253

From: Douglas S Hope, personal rep of Philip H Hope Price: no \$

To: Douglas S and Jeannette R Hope

Notes: (1) Lot 20 in Thompson's Square

Parcel 1: 2 lots on E side Talbot St per deed Barnet Beneman to Clifton Hope & Sol Caplan, 1913, 166/64

Parcel 2: on S side Carpenter St per T Hughlett Henry, trustee to Clifton Hope & Sol Caplan, 1915, 171/303. EXCEPT land conveyed by Hope & Caplan to Wm F Leonard, 1917, 176/256.

The Caplans conveyed their interest in the property to Clifton Hope, 1919, 180/245.

Also excepting land on Carpenter St conveyed by Hope to Wm E Chamberlaine, 1921, 189/267.

Conveyed to Philip H Hope by Clifton Hope, 1934, 232/419.

Year: 1934 Vol: 232 Page: 419

From: Clifton Hope, widower Price: \$5

(fee simple with life est)

To: Philip H Hope

Notes: Parcel 1: Two lots E side Talbot St per deed 1913, 166/64. (in that deed are lot 1 and lot 2)

Parcel 2: Lot on S side Carpenter St per deed T Hughlett Henry, trustee to Clifton Hope & Sol Caplan, 1915, 171/303.

Except land conveyed by Hope & Caplan to Wm F Leonard, 1917, 176/256.

Sol Caplan & wife Maggie conveyed their interest in property to Clifton Hope, 1919, 180/245.

Also excepting land conveyed by Clifton Hope to Wm E Chamberlaine, 1921, 189/267.

Same lots conveyed to Clifton Hope and Philip H Hope (Hope & Son) by Lydia Hope, 1927, 209/1.

Year: 1927 Vol: 209 Page: 1

From: Lydia Hope Price: \$5

To: Clifton Hope & Philip H Hope (Hope & Son)

Notes: Two Lots. #1 conveyed by Beneman to Hope & Caplan, 1913, 166/64.

#2 on S side Carpenter St conveyed to Hope & Caplan by T Hughlett Henry, 1915, 171/303.

Except: lot conveyed by Hope & Caplan to Wm F Leonard, 1917, 176/256 and lot on Carpenter St conveyed Hope to Chamberlaine, 1921, 189/267.

Solomon Caplan and Maggie gave up their interest, 1919, 180/245

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PAGE TWO

Year: 1927 Vol: 208 Page: 500  
From: Clifton & Elizabeth Hope Price:  
To: Lydia Hope  
Notes: See 1927, 209/1 (preceding) Title clearance & incorporation.

Year: 1919 Vol: 180 Page: 245  
From: Solomon Caplan & wife Price: \$975  
To: Clifton Hope  
Notes: All Caplan's right, title, and interest in two lots: #1 conveyed to Hope & Caplan by Barnet Beneman, 1913, 166/64 (except #3, corner Fremont and Carpenter St) ; #2 all land conveyed to Hope & Caplan by Hughlett Henry, trustee 1915, 171/303. Except the land conveyed by Hope & Caplan to Wm F Leonard, 1917, 176/256.

Year: 1913 Vol: 166 Page: 64  
From: Barnet Beneman Price: \$100  
To: Clifton Hope & Solomon Caplan  
Notes: Three parcels. Lot #1 begins at SW corner of lot #2. Run S with Talbot St 32'4" to H C Dodson, Jr; with Dodson E to lot #2; with #2 N 22'4"; then W with #2 to the beginning.

Conveyed to Beneman by Mary E Harrison and James O Harrison, 1898, 129/95.

Lot #2 is Keeler Gallery (28'); lot #3 is on Fremont Street.

Year: 1898 Vol: 129 Page: 95  
From: Mary E Harrison & James O Harrison Price: \$1650  
To: Barnet Beneman  
Notes: Begins at heirs of Alexander Hambleton and adjoins lot on south formerly owned by Mrs E G Harrison, now H Clay Dodson, jr. Fronts 32'4" on Talbot Street, 22'4" across back.

Same lot conveyed by Susan V Harrison and James O Harrison, executor of James Harrison, Jr., 1897, 127/83.

Year: 1897 Vol: 127 Page: 83  
 From: Susan V and James O Harrison , executors Price: \$1050  
 To: Mary E Harrison (of Baltimore)  
 Notes: Above sold at auction in 1896 the store house and lot number one. Lot has a front of 32'4" on Talbot Street and 22'4" at back.

Lot number two is on Grace Street.

Year: 1874 Vol: 79 Page: 486  
 From: Alexander Hambleton & Mary Price:  
 To: Hester Harrison, James F Burns & Mary Olivia, and Frances Harrison.  
 (heirs of Samuel S Harrison)  
 Notes: A "Deed of Partition". Hester, James & Mary, & Frances get the land "as now enclosed" on the South side of the house and lot (Keeler Gallery) of Alexander Hambleton and adjoining the land of Edward Harrison on the south. Lot is 32'4" on Talbot Street and 22'4" across back. Does not mention structure.

This is probably the first deed to this lot.

Same lot conveyed by Samuel H Wrightson to Alexander Hambleton and Samuel S Harrison, 1852.

Year: 1852 Vol: 64 Page: 233  
 From: Samuel H Wrightson & wife Price: \$50  
 To: Samuel S Harrison and Alexander Hambleton  
 Notes: Begins at a stone near the main road, distant 89'3" from the beginning of lot 25 of which the within described lot is a part. Run N 67 E 77'7"; then S 23 E 60'9" to Shadrach Watkins; with Watkins 100'; then NE 60'9" to the beginning

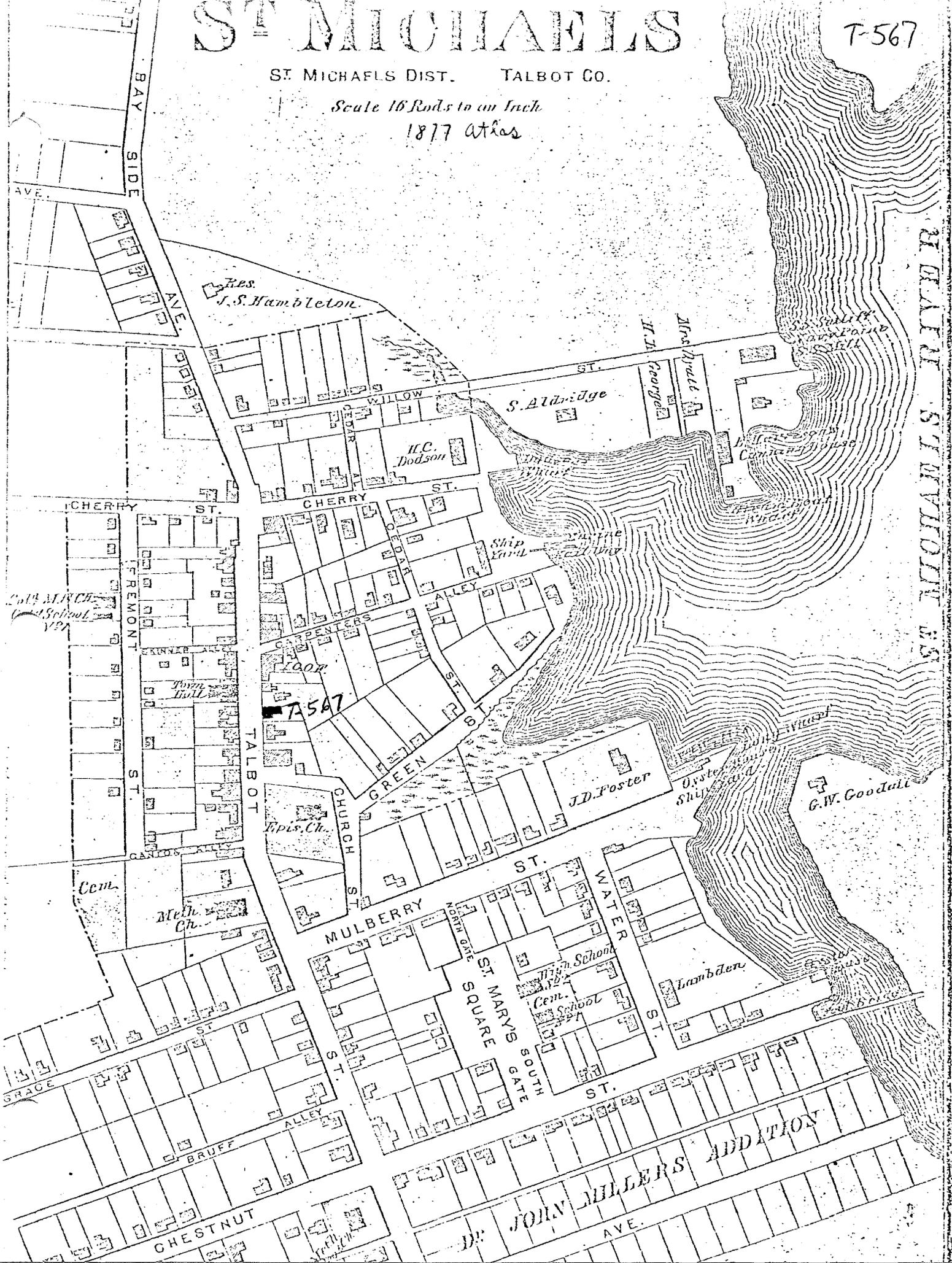
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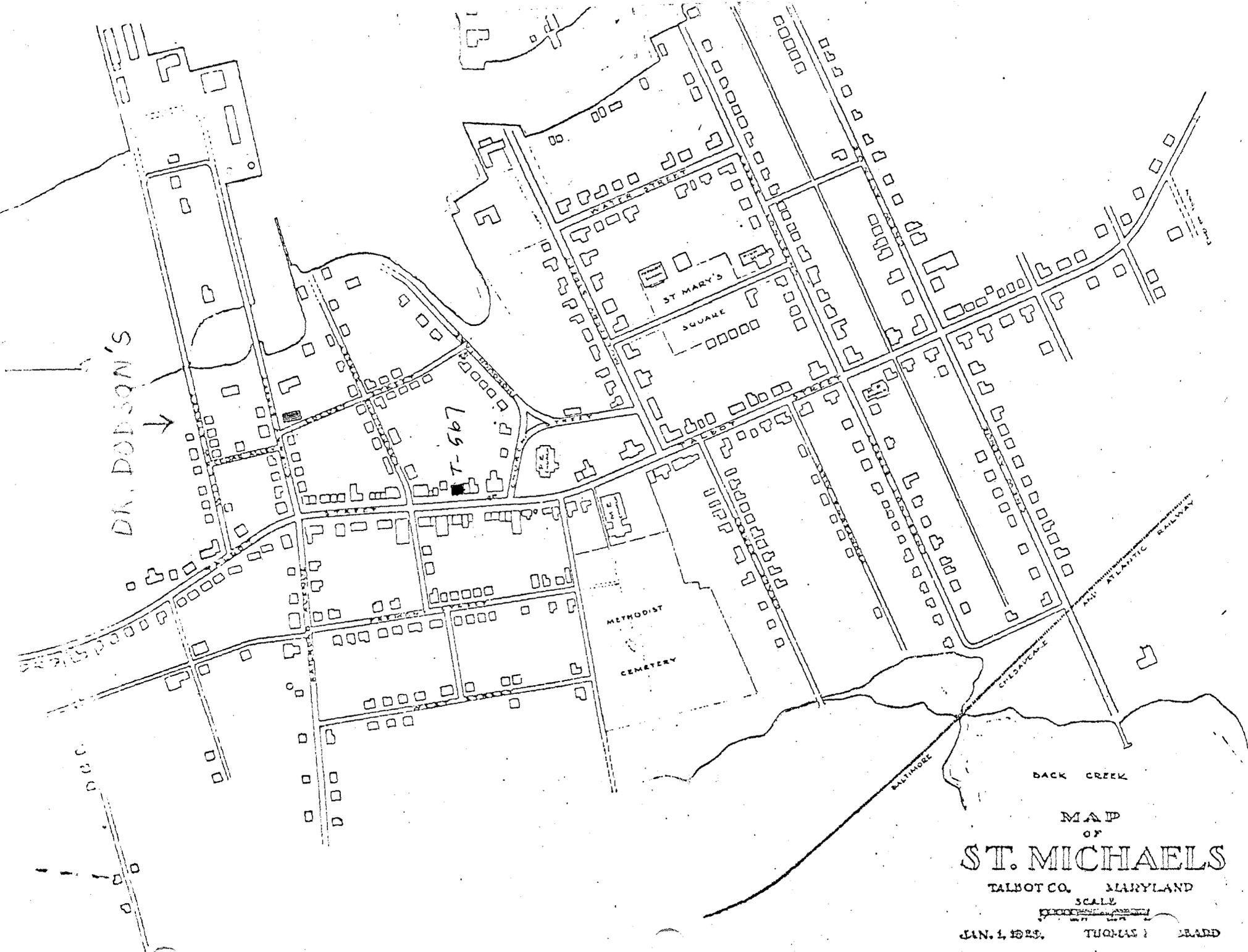
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ST MICHAELS DIST. TALBOT CO.

Scale 16 Rods to an Inch

1877 Atlas





DR. DODSON'S  
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ST. MARY'S  
SQUARE

METHODIST  
CEMETERY

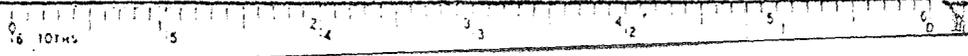
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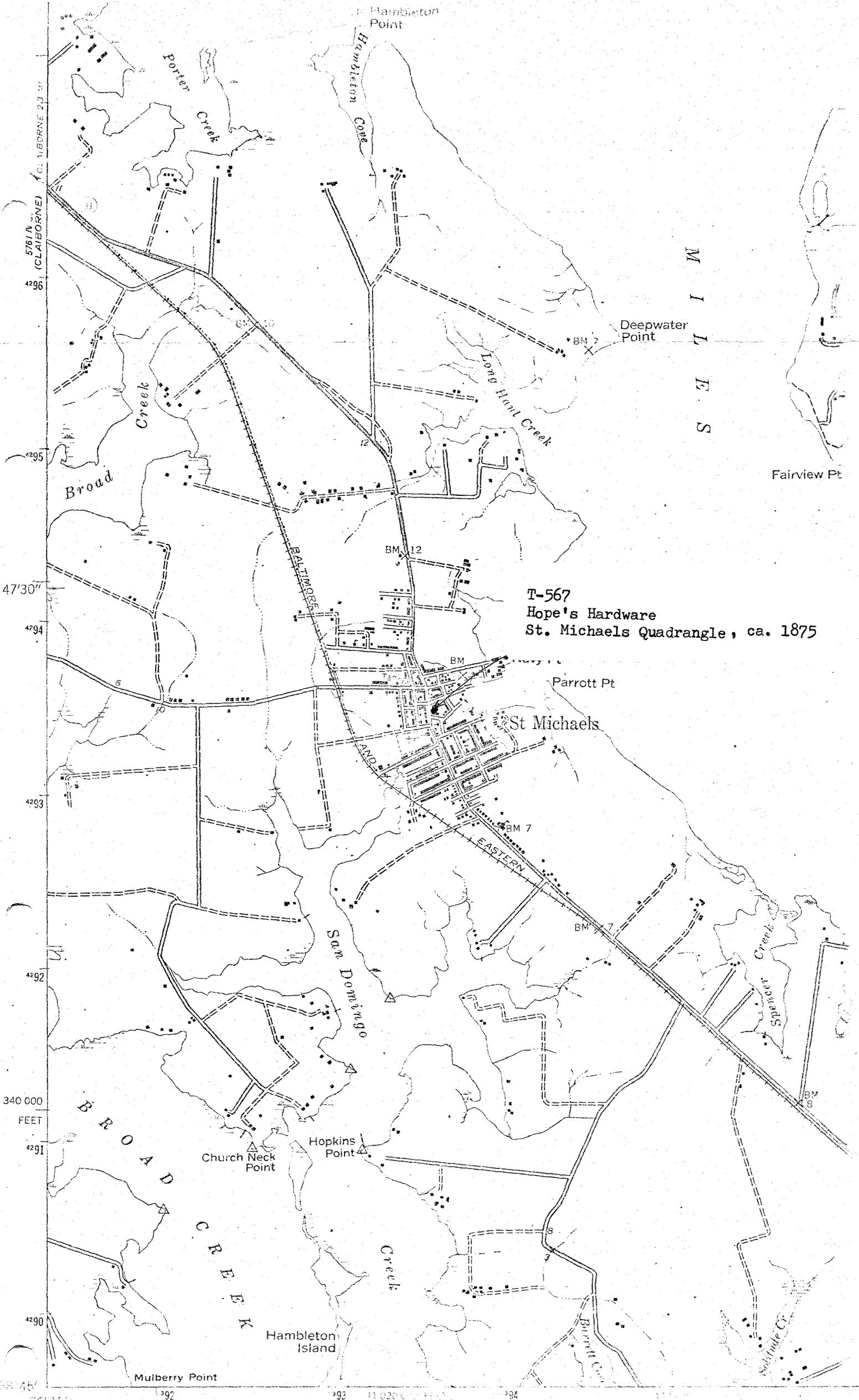
MAP  
OF  
**ST. MICHAELS**

TALBOT CO. MARYLAND

SCALE  
1" = 100'

JAN. 1, 1893. THOMAS J. LEARD







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