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Millard House
St. Michaels
private

c. 1860-1870

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Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Millard House

2. Location

street & number 203 Green St. not for publicationcity, 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 type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input 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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input 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 Alfred J. and Ethel E. Millard

street & number 203 Green St. telephone no.:

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

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot Co. Clerk of Court liber 493

street & number Talbot County Courthouse folio 781

city, town Easton state MD. 21601

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

 federal state county local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. T-596

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<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.

The Millard house is located at 203 Green Street, a site that overlooks the St. Michaels harbor. The two-story, three-bay frame house faces south with the principal gable oriented on an east/west axis.

Built around 1860, the side hall/double-pile frame house is supported by a minimal brick foundation and sheathed with aluminum siding. The asphalt shingle roof has a medium pitch, and a brick chimney protrudes through the center of the house. The eaves to the roof are slightly extended.

The south (main) facade is an asymmetrical three-bay elevation with a side entrance and flanking six-over-six sash windows. The four-panel front door has sidelights and a four-light transom. The sash windows are flanked by louvered shutters. Stretching across the entire first floor is a turned post front porch with intricate sawnwork fitted between the posts. A small pendant drops from the center of each bay. The porch fascia is embellished with applied ornament. Lighting the second floor are three unevenly spaced six-over-six sash windows, also flanked by louvered shutters. The cornice is trimmed with a bed molding. A photograph of this house taken before major work was executed located a cross gable centered on the south roof slope.

The east gable end is marked by a symmetrical placement of four windows with a pair of eight-over-twelve sash lighting the first floor and a pair of six-over-six sash lighting the second floor. A louvered vent marks the upper gable.

The north (rear) elevation is largely covered by the two-story service wing that has been extended by a modern kitchen to the rear (1960s) and an enclosed porch to the west.

The interior retains a large share of its Victorian woodwork. The stair is distinguished by a turned newel post, turned balusters, and a decorated stringer. A four-panel door opens into the space beneath the stair. Victorian, factory-type mantels survive in the two main rooms, and four-panel doors are framed by bulls-eye corner blocks.

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input 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.

SIGNIFICANCE

The Millard house stands prominently on the north side of the St. Michaels harbor and in line with two other nineteenth-century houses. Unlike the other two dwellings, this two-story, three-bay frame exterior remains largely unaltered. The decorative Victorian porch is especially noteworthy for its sawn and applied ornament.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT

A chain-of-title for the property combined with the architectural finishes of the house suggest the structure was raised during the third quarter of the nineteenth century for Thomas H. Willey, who purchased Lot No. 1 in 1849.(62-26) Willey owned the lot for the next forty years, when his two daughters sold the house and lot to their brother, Charles E. Willey in 1889.(110/306) Willey family ownership of the property continued until the early twenieth century.

MILLARD HOUSE

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YEAR: 1975 VOL: 493 PAGE: 781
FROM: Marion McNeil & Billie M. Porter PRICE:
TO: Alfred J. & Ethel E. Millard
NOTES See plat 1/95.
Conveyed to Marion McNeil Porter & Billie M. Porter by Robert M. Reindollar
1974, 486/157.

YEAR: 1974 VOL: 486 PAGE: 157
FROM: Robert M. Reindollar, Jr. & Valaska L. PRICE:
TO: Marion McNeil & Billie M. Porter
NOTES Begins at SW line of Victor Valliant. run with Valliant 94.48' to Emmett
Jackson; with Jackson 87.34' to a point under the west corner of a frame stable
on this lot, also the NE corner of J. Marion Creamer; with Creamer 118.1 feet
to a pipe, then 170.9 feet to the water at the foot of the bulkhead; with the
water 76.28' to Victor Valliant; with Valliant 38.45' to the beginning.
Conveyed to Robert M. Reindollar by Edwin C. Paige 1972, 461/674.

YEAR: 1972 VOL: 461 PAGE: 674
FROM: Edwin C. & Virginia S. D. Paige PRICE:
TO: Robert M. and Valaska L. Reindollar
NOTES Same description.
Conveyed to Edwin C. Paige by Lillian A. Lyell 1968, 430/145.

YEAR: 1968 VOL: 430 PAGE: 145
FROM: Lillian A. Lyell and John M. Lyell PRICE:
TO: Edwin C. Paige and Virginia S. D. Paige
NOTES Same description.
Devised to Lillian A. Lyell by Jennie A. Moller by Will 1967, 35/307 (Item A).
Property conveyed to Jennie (Jane) A. Moller by Margaret Smith 1944, 258/554

YEAR: 1944 VOL: 258 PAGE: 554
FROM: Margaret Smith, unmarried PRICE:
TO: Florence J. Adams and Jane A. Moller
NOTES See plat August 1937 (1/95).
Conveyed to Florence J. Adams and Jane A. Moller by Corinne and Alexander
Radcliffe 1937, 240/2. Florence Adams died in 1965; Jane A. was sole survivor.
1944, 258/552 Florence J. Adams and Jane A. Moller to Margaret Smith was a
title clearance.

YEAR: 1937 VOL: 240 PAGE: 2

FROM: Corinne B. Radcliffe and Alexander H. Radcliffe PRICE:

TO: Florence J. Adams and Jane A. Moller

NOTES Same description.

Corinne B. Radcliffe acquired the property by inheritance from Martha F. Willey wife of Charles E. Willey in 1916. In 1935, she sold a strip 20 feet wide along the eastern edge of the lot to Victor Valliant (234/564)

Conveyed to Charles E. Willey by James A. Dyott and others 1889, 110/306.

YEAR: 1889 VOL: 110 PAGE: 306

FROM: James A & Mary M. Dyott and Wm. J. Keithley & Deborah A. PRICE: \$985

TO: Charles E. Willey

NOTES Described as Lot no. 1 on plat St. Michaels. 134' on Mill Street, N 114' to the heirs of Francis Jefferson and John S. Hambleton.

No derivation has been found; however, Mary M. Dyott and Deborah A. Keithley and Charles E. Willey were the daughters and son of Thomas H. Willey.

YEAR: 1849 VOL: 62 PAGE: 26

FROM: Samuel Harrison Wrightson PRICE: \$450

TO: Thomas H. Willey

NOTES A lot situated on Mill Street, designated as No. 1 on the town plat. 134' on Mill Street by 114' deep.

This is another of the many properties in St. Michaels sold by Samuel H. Wrightson with no documented evidence as to how he acquired them. It must be assumed that they came by way of inheritance through his mother, Elizabeth Wrightson, daughter of Joseph and Mary Harrison.

YEAR: 1795 VOL: 26 PAGE: 239

FROM: Perry and Richard Spencer PRICE: p7 10s sp

TO: Thomas Harrison, Jr., House Carpenter

NOTES Lot number 1. Beginning at a post on Mill Street opposite the NE corner of Thomas Harrison's dwelling house; run N 41 30'W 100'; then S 24 30'W to lot no. 2; with #2 to Mill Street; then to the beginning.

This is the earliest mention of "Lot Number 1." Prior to this it was included with "Mill Point".

YEAR: 1791 VOL: 24 PAGE: 345

FROM: William Harrison and John Thompson PRICE: p40

TO: Richard Spencer

NOTES Part of "The Beach". The half of Mill Point not sold to Perry Spencer. With this deed Perry and Richard Spencer own all of Mill Point and lot number one. The Spencers probably intended to use the area for boat building; however, they sold out to Thomas Harrison, Jr. and Perry Spencer removed to "Beverly" on Broad Creek where he operated a boat- or ship-building enterprise.

YEAR: 1784 VOL: 22 PAGE: 74
FROM: William Harrison and John Thompson PRICE: p50 sp
TO: Perry Spencer
NOTES A half-moiety in Mill Point (included Lot #1). The amount paid - in specie- is quite high.
Conveyed to Harrison and Thompson by James Wignal 1784, 21/419.

YEAR: 1784 VOL: 21 PAGE: 419
FROM: James Wignal PRICE: p68
TO: John Thompson and William Harrison
NOTES Mill Point

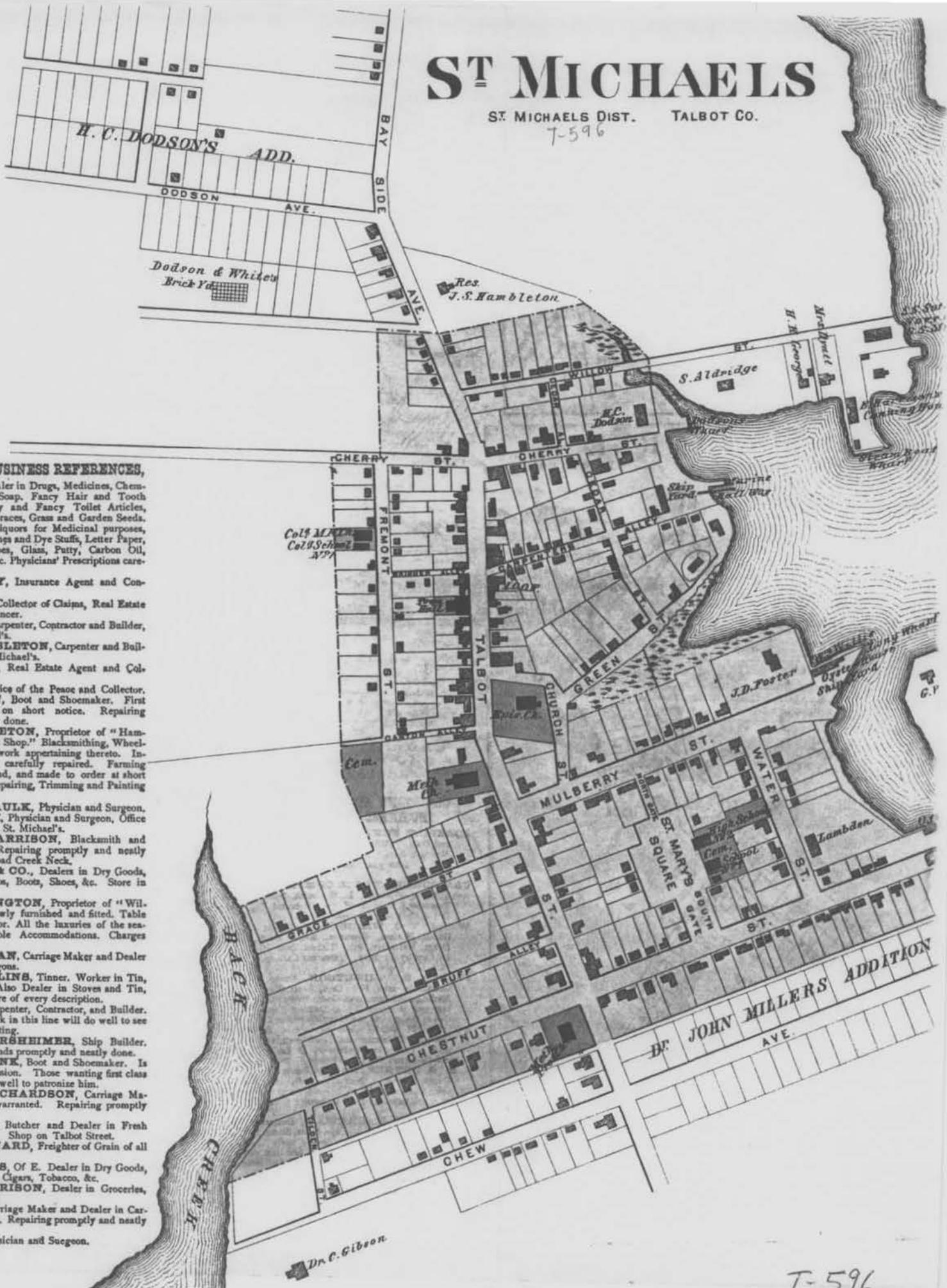
YEAR: 1784 VOL: 21 PAGE: 417
FROM: John Thompson PRICE: p600
TO: James Wignal
NOTES Sale included all of the unsold land of James Braddock. Neither Mill Point nor lot #14 (The Shipyard) had been sold by Braddock and were included in this deed. Wignal immediately began selling back to Thompson (and William Harrison) blocks of Braddock's land. The following deeds were all "made" on June 23, 1784:
21/417 Thompson to Wignal
21/419 Wignal to Thompson & Harrison (Mill Point)
21/413 Wignal to Thompson land S of Main Road (Thompson's Addition)
21/415 John Dorgin to Wignal lots 22 and 23. Apparently abandoned by Wignal.

Mill Point is an interesting site. "Stopper", "Janes Progress", and "The Beach" all joined there. Tilghman's History of Talbot gives the Point as the location of Lieutenant Vickars' battery during the attack on the town August 10, 1813. It would have been an excellent location for the building of boats, but other than the Spencers' possession of the land, there is no evidence of a boatyard. There is also no evidence that a mill was located there (as we have on Water Street, Grace Street, and "The Shipyard"). It has also been called "Roades Point" although there is no evidence of a "Roades" having owned or lived-on the land.

ST MICHAELS

ST. MICHAELS DIST. TALBOT CO.

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ST. MICHAELS BUSINESS REFERENCES,

DODSON, Dealer in Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Fine Toilet Soap, Fancy Hair and Tooth Brushes, Perfumery and Fancy Toilet Articles, Umbrellas, Shoulder-Braces, Grass and Garden Seeds, and Wines and Liquors for Medicinal purposes, Oils, Varnishes and Dye Stuffs, Letter Paper, Ink, Envelopes, Glass, Putty, Carbon Oil, Nails, Chimneys, &c. Physicians' Prescriptions carefully Compounded.

HADDAWAY, Insurance Agent and Conveyancer.

W. DEAN, Collector of Claims, Real Estate Agent and Conveyancer.

ES DYOTT, Carpenter, Contractor and Builder, Shop at St. Michael's.

ED H. HAMBLETON, Carpenter and Builder, Shop at St. Michael's.

ES B. N., Real Estate Agent and Collector of Claims.

SPARKS, Justice of the Peace and Collector.

SMITHMAN, Boot and Shoemaker. First class work done on short notice. Repairing promptly and neatly done.

W. S. HAMBLETON, Proprietor of "Hambleton's Mechanical Shop." Blacksmithing, Wheelwrighting, and all work appertaining thereto. Insect Machinery carefully repaired. Farming Implements on hand, and made to order at short notice. Carriage Repairing, Trimming and Painting Specially.

WILLIAM CAULK, Physician and Surgeon.

JAMES SETH, Physician and Surgeon, Office and Residence near St. Michael's.

LIAM S. HARRISON, Blacksmith and Wagon Maker. Repairing promptly and neatly done. Shop in Broad Creek Neck.

NEAVITT & CO., Dealers in Dry Goods, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, &c. Store in Broad Creek Neck.

W. T. HARRINGTON, Proprietor of "Williams House," Newly furnished and fitted. Table and Kitchen fully catered for. All the luxuries of the season. Ample Stable Accommodations. Charges moderate.

W. J. KILMAN, Carriage Maker and Dealer in all kinds of Wagons.

GEORGE W. COLLINS, Tinner. Worker in Tin, Sheet Iron, &c. Also Dealer in Stoves and Tin, and Sheet Iron ware of every description.

BLADES, Carpenter, Contractor, and Builder. Persons having work in this line will do well to see me before contracting.

JOHN HERGENSHEIMER, Ship Builder. Repairing of all kinds promptly and neatly done.

JOHN FAIRBANK, Boot and Shoemaker. Is skillful in his profession. Those wanting first class work done will do well to patronize him.

RICHARDSON & RICHARDSON, Carriage Makers. All work warranted. Repairing promptly and neatly done.

HOLLAND, Butcher and Dealer in Fresh Meats of all kinds. Shop on Talbot Street.

T. C. BONARD, Freighter of Grain of all kinds to and from point.

MAS. SADES, Of E. Dealer in Dry Goods, Notions, Cigars, Tobacco, &c.

EMI. HARRISON, Dealer in Groceries, Confectioneries &c.

KILMON, Carriage Maker and Dealer in Carriages, Wagons, &c. Repairing promptly and neatly done.

DODSON Physician and Surgeon.

Dr. C. Gibson

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MILLARD HOUSE
St. Michaels, Md. Quadrangle
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Broad
Creek

Old Haul Creek

Fairview Pt

Navy Pt

Parrott Pt

St Michaels

San Domingo

HUNTING
RIVER

Spencer Creek

Little Neck Cr.

BROAD
CREEK

Church Neck Point

Hopkins Point

LC
PC



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St. Michaels, Talbot Co., Md.

South elevation

3/87, Paul Touart

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St. Michaels, Talbot Co., Md.

Southeast elevation

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St. Michaels, Talbot Co., Md.

Porch, southeast elevation

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St. Michaels, Talbot Co., Md.

Stair

3/87, Paul Touart

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