

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes no

Property Name: Granger's Store Inventory Number: T-739

Address: 601 Talbot Street (MD 33) East corner of E. Chew Avenue and Talbot Street Historic district: yes no

City: St. Michaels Zip Code: 21663 County: Talbot

USGS Quadrangle(s): Church Hill

Property Owner: Thomas C. and Blaine Dupont Tax Account ID Number: 02-060248

Tax Map Parcel Number(s): Pt of 1365 Tax Map Number: 201

Project: Sidewalk ADA Retrofit - D2 - St. Michaels Agency: Maryland State Highway Administration

Agency Prepared By: Maryland State Highway Administration

Preparer's Name: Matt Manning Date Prepared: 12/07/2012

Documentation is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G

Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:

Name of the District/Property: St. Michaels Historic District

Inventory Number: T-577 Eligible: yes no Listed: yes no

Site visit by MHT Staff yes no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

Granger's Store is a one-story gable-roofed building oriented on an approximately east-west axis at the intersection of Talbot Street and Chew Avenue in St. Michaels. The building is constructed of split-face concrete block and has a standing-seam metal roof. The building fronts a concrete sidewalk along Talbot Street; the concrete extends to the building's facade, forming a small patio sheltered by a standing-seam metal shed roof. Four metal poles along the sidewalk support the roof.

The two-bay facade includes a corner entrance and adjacent two-over-two wood-framed window. The entrance occupies the north bay and comprises paired wood doors, each with two-by-five glazing. The four-bay north elevation includes an off-center secondary entrance similar to the main entrance. Two-over-two wood windows, identical to the facade window, frame the entrance. In the west bay, a third window is obscured by a chalkboard sign. A single wood-framed door occupies the south elevation's west end; a blind concrete-block wall forms the west elevation. A brick chimney pierces the ridgeline at the center of the building.

A narrow landscaped strip separates the building's north elevation from a concrete sidewalk along Chew Avenue. A split-rail fence borders the Talbot Street sidewalk south of the building, screening a landscaped area featuring outdoor seating for the current tenant, Gina's Café. A gravel parking area, shared with St. Michaels Mill (T-437), provides vehicular access east of Granger's

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MHT Comments: Eligible as contributing resource to St. Michaels NRHD (T-577)

Ann J. [Signature] Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date 1/14/13
[Signature] Reviewer, National Register Program Date 1/14/13

Store.

William and Martha Granger purchased the Granger's Store property in 1923, although it is not clear if the current building was present at that time. Thomas F. Hubbard's 1929 "Map of St. Michaels" depicts a larger building at this location oriented on an approximately north-south axis along Talbot Street.

The adjacent St. Michaels Mill changed hands in 1920, and new mill owner Samuel Quillen instituted several improvements as increased food demand immediately following World War I drove higher output and employment at the mill. Like Granger's Store, other commercial buildings along this segment of Talbot Street and at the adjacent mill date from the 1920s and 30s, including a larger split-face concrete block building at 609 Talbot Street. The Grangers would have been well positioned to take advantage of the influx of workers at the expanding mill, and customers likely included many of these employees. William Granger is listed in the 1940 census as a store keeper with a Talbot Street residence; he died in 1944, but Martha Granger continued to own the building until it was sold in 1951. Since that time, the Granger's Store building does not appear to have undergone significant alterations and has continued to serve the surrounding St. Michaels community; it currently houses a small restaurant, Gina's Café.

Granger's Store was evaluated for significance under National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) Criteria A, B, and C.

Granger's Store is a modest example of early to mid- twentieth-century commercial structures found throughout Maryland. The property has undergone few changes since its construction, and it retains integrity of design, materials, workmanship, and setting. Research conducted as part of this study did not identify events or persons of local, state, or national significance, and Granger's Store is not eligible for the NRHP under Criteria A or B. The building is a common example of concrete block commercial architecture; it is not the work of a master, nor does it represent an important architectural style found in St. Michaels or Talbot County. Granger's Store is therefore not eligible for inclusion in the NRHP under Criterion C. The property was not evaluated under Criterion D as part of this assessment. Based on the evaluated Criteria, Granger's Store is not individually eligible for listing in the NRHP. However, the property remains a contributing component of the St. Michaels Historic District (T-577), which was listed in the NRHP in 1986.

The boundary for the property encompasses approximately 0.14 acres (6,000 sf) and is confined to a 100x60 ft lot that is part of Property Tax Parcel 1365, found on Talbot County Tax Map 201 (2012).

Works Consulted

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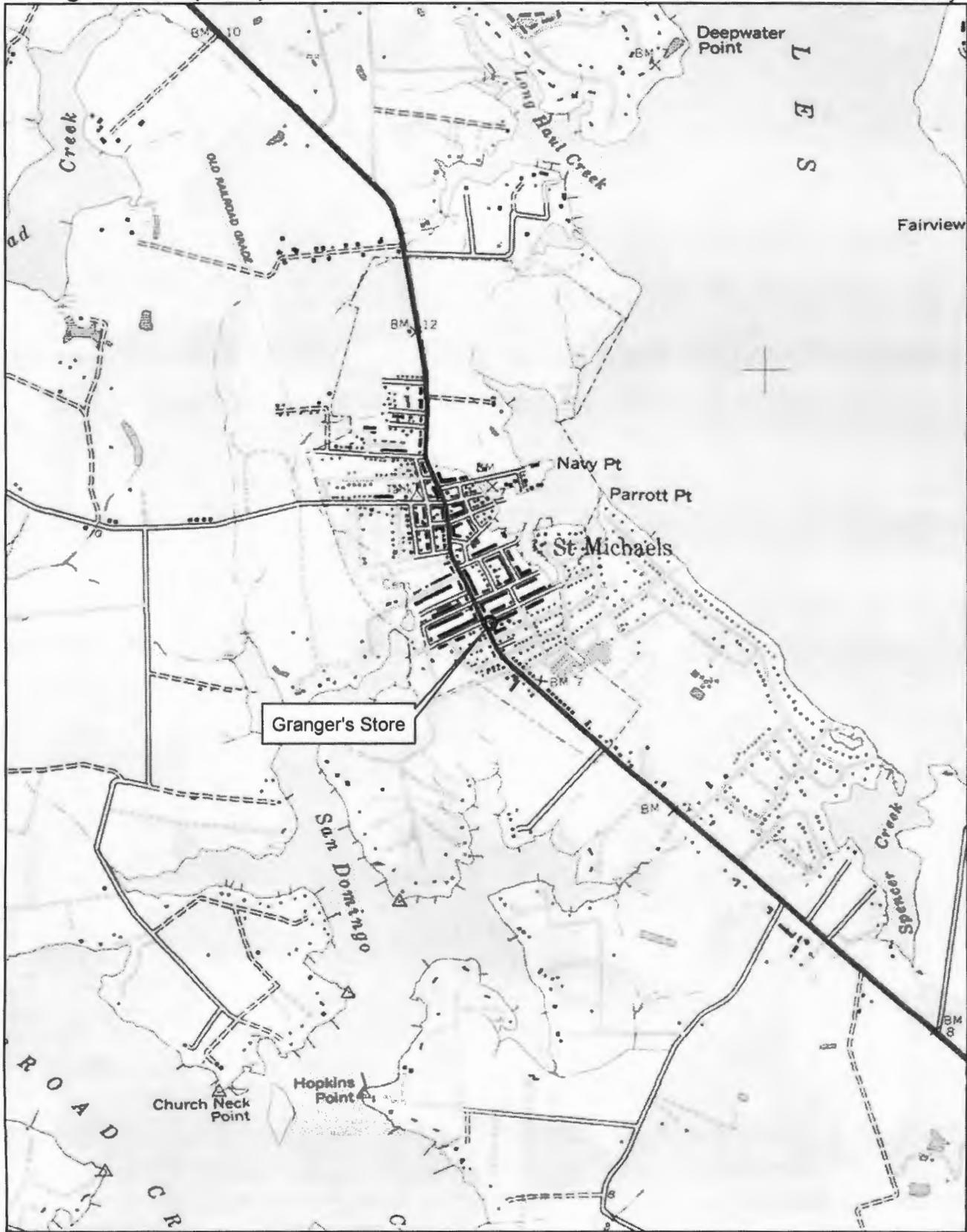
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Granger's Store (T-739)

601 Talbot Street - Talbot County



USGS 7.5' Quadrangle - Church Hill
1:24,000





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Grangers Store

Talbot Co. MD

M. Manning

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View SE from Chew Avenue / Talbot Street

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Orangers Store

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View NE from Talbot Street

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Granger's Store

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West facade

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Granger's Store

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North elevation

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View SW from Chew Avenue

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Granger's Store
St. Michaels
Private

c. 1920

This single story rusticated block commercial building has been known in the past as Granger's store, named after William A. and Martha D. Granger, who purchased the corner property on Talbot Street and Chew Street in 1923. In 1951, Martha D. Granger, a widow, sold the store property to Eva S. Austin and Alma G. Carroll, who in turn sold it three years later to the St. Michaels Milling Co. Estimated to date to around 1920, the rusticated block building has not been significantly altered. With its block walls, two-over-two sash windows, corner double-door entrance, and tin roof, the rectangular structure is an interesting, modest example of early twentieth century commercial architecture. The old St. Michaels mill stands next to this building on Chew Street, and the two structures combine to form an interesting contrast of nineteenth and twentieth century industrial and commercial buildings.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

GRANGER'S STORE

and/or common

2. Location

street & number Southeast corner of South Talbot and Chew sts. ⁶⁰¹ 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 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	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

street & number _____ telephone no.:

city, town _____ state and zip code _____

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Clerk of Court liber 385

street & number Talbot County Courthouse folio 372

city, town Easton _____ state MD 21601

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date _____ federal _____ state _____ county _____ local

Repository for survey records

city, town _____ state

7. Description

Survey No. T-739

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date of move _____

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

Granger's store stands on the southeast corner of the intersection of East Chew and South Talbot streets in the southern section of St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland. The single-story, rusticated concrete block building faces west while the principal gable roof is oriented on an east/west axis.

Built around 1920, the single story rectangular block building is covered by a medium pitched metal roof through which a centrally located brick stove stack protrudes.

The west (main) elevation that faces Talbot Street is marked by a corner, double-door entrance. Partially glazed double front doors are sheltered by a shed roof porch supported by metal posts. Large two-over-two sash windows light the commercial space from the west and north, since the south side is a largely blind wall. The north side wall is pierced by a secondary double door entrance as well.

The interior was not seen.

8. Significance

Survey No. T-739

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"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

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

This single story rusticated block commercial building has been known in the past as Granger's store, named after William A. and Martha D. Granger, who purchased the corner property on Talbot Street and Chew Avenue in 1923. (196/107) In 1951, Martha D. Granger, a widow, sold the store property to Eva S. Austin and Alma G. Carroll, who in turn sold it three years later to the St. Michaels Milling Co.(318/12) Estimated to date to around 1920, the rusticated block building has not been significantly altered. With its block walls, two-over-two sash windows, corner double-door entrance, and tin roof the rectangular structure is a interesting, modest example of early twentieth century commercial architecture. The old St. Michaels mill stands next to this building on Chew Street and the two structures combine to form an interesting contrast of nineteenth and twentieth century industrial and commercial buildings.

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YEAR: 1963 VOL: 385 PAGE: 372

FROM: St. Michaels Milling Co., Inc.

TO : J. McKenney Willis & Son

NOTES: Parcel 8 on the SE corner of Talbot and Chew: 60 feet on Talbot by 106 1/2 feet on Chew. Originally 120 feet long until a strip 13 1/2 feet wide by 60 feet was sold by George E. Knott to Samuel M. Quillen 1920, 186/220. Conveyed to St. Michaels Milling Co. by Shores 1954, 318/12.

YEAR: 1954 VOL: 318 PAGE: 12

FROM: Eva S. Shores (Austin) and Wilson S. Shores & Alma G. Carroll

TO : St. Michaels Milling Co., Inc.

NOTES: Same Description.

Conveyed to Austin and Carroll by Granger 1951, 291/135.

YEAR: 1951 VOL: 291 PAGE: 135

FROM: Martha D. Granger, widow

TO : Eva S. Austin and Alma G. Carroll

NOTES: Same description. Parcel 1. of Reddie to Granger 1944, 259/141.

YEAR: 1944 VOL: 259 PAGE: 141

FROM: William Reddie

TO : Martha D. Granger and Lurley Lee Granger

NOTES: Parcel one: Same description. To Reddie by Granger (clearance)

Conveyed to Granger by Knott 1923, 196/107.

Conveyed to Martha Granger by will of William A. Granger 1930, 26/131

YEAR: 1923 VOL: 196 PAGE: 107

FROM: George E. Knott \$350

TO : William A. Granger and Martha D. Granger

NOTES: Same description.

Conveyed to Knott by Noble 1919, 182/278.

YEAR: 1919 VOL: 182 PAGE: 278

FROM: Thomas A. Noble & wife \$700

TO : George E. Knott

NOTES: Begins on Talbot Street opposite the S boundary of Mrs. Reese's lot; run E with the lot of the late Charles E. Fairbank 120 feet to the Roller Mill lot of Robert S. Dodson; N with the mill lot 60 feet to Chew Avenue; with Chew W 120 feet to Talbot Street; S on Talbot 60 feet to the beginning.

Conveyed to Noble by Burns 1914, 169/292.

YEAR: 1914 VOL: 169 PAGE: 292
FROM: James F. Burns and M. Olivia Burns and Samuel H. Burns \$500
TO : Thomas A. Noble
NOTES: Same description.
Conveyed to Burns by Holland 1907, 151/78.

YEAR: 1907 VOL: 151 PAGE: 78
FROM: James Edward Holland \$400
TO : James F. Burns and Samuel H. Burns
NOTES: Same description.
Conveyed to Holland by Harrison 1905, 145/17.

YEAR: 1905 VOL: 145 PAGE: 17
FROM: James H. Harrison and Martha E. Harrison \$80
TO : James Edwin Holland
NOTES: Same description.
Conveyed to Louisa Harrison by Dr. John Miller 1883, 96/4.
Devised by Louisa Harrison to her husband, Alfred H. Harrison (will) 1891, 14/50
Devised by Alfred H. Harrison to his son James H. Harrison (will) 1896, 14/473.

YEAR: 1883 VOL: 96 PAGE: 4
FROM: Dr. John Miller \$130
TO : Louisa Harrison
NOTES: The lot is 60 x 120. It is described as being part of the Harrington land located on the corner of Talbot Street and a new street, the continuation of Chew Avenue "which is to be opened".

YEAR: 1858 VOL: 68 PAGE: 105
FROM: Nathan Harrington and Sarah A. Harrington \$2,800
TO : Dr. John Miller
NOTES: Part of Beach, Bentley Hay, Jane's Progress, and Matthew Circumvented, about 50 acres. All of the remaining land that James Benson and Nathan Harrington bought from the heirs of John Dorgan in 1848 (61/451).
James Benson conveyed his interest to Harrington by deed 1850, 63/250.

YEAR: 1848 VOL: 61 PAGE: 451
FROM: Heirs of John Dorgan
TO : Nathan Harrington and James Benson
NOTES: Part of "The Beach", "Bentley Hay", "Jane's Progress", and "Matthew Circumvented". About 50 acres. The first course of the deed began at the original (1804) boundary of the Town of St. Michaels at the foot of East Chestnut Street, 120 feet from the front of the lots on the street. It ran along the back of the Chestnut Street lots until it reached the main road, where it turned east. It included all of the land in "Miller's Addition to St. Michaels".

YEAR: 1813 VOL: 36 PAGE: 288
FROM: Elizabeth Sherwood PRICE: \$487.902/3
TO: John Dorgan

NOTES The deed was made in accordance with a decree of the Chancery Court, Dec. Term, 1812 (1812, 36/291), Dorgan vs the heirs of Hugh Sherwood. Apparently, a deal had been made between Thomas Sherwood, father of Hugh, and John Dorgan to sell Dorgan all of the land Thomas Sherwood had purchased from John Thompson in 1791 and from William Harrison in 1785. This amounted to all of Braddock's un-sold land - parts of "Bentley Hay", "Janes Progress", "The Beach", "Chance", and "Matthew Circumvented". Both Thomas and Hugh Sherwood died and the widow Elizabeth was forced to honor the committment.

YEAR: 1785 VOL: 23 PAGE: 115
FROM: William Harrison PRICE: p275cm
TO: Thomas Sherwood

NOTES "All the following pieces and parcels of land, to wit: Part of a tract of land called "Bentley Hay"; Part of a tract of land called "Janes Progress"; and part of a tract of land called "Beach". All of the aforesaid pieces of land to extend as far as a street distinguished on the plat of St. Michaels as Chestnut Street.

YEAR: 1786 VOL: 23 PAGE: 116
FROM: James Wignal PRICE: p275sp
TO: William Harrison

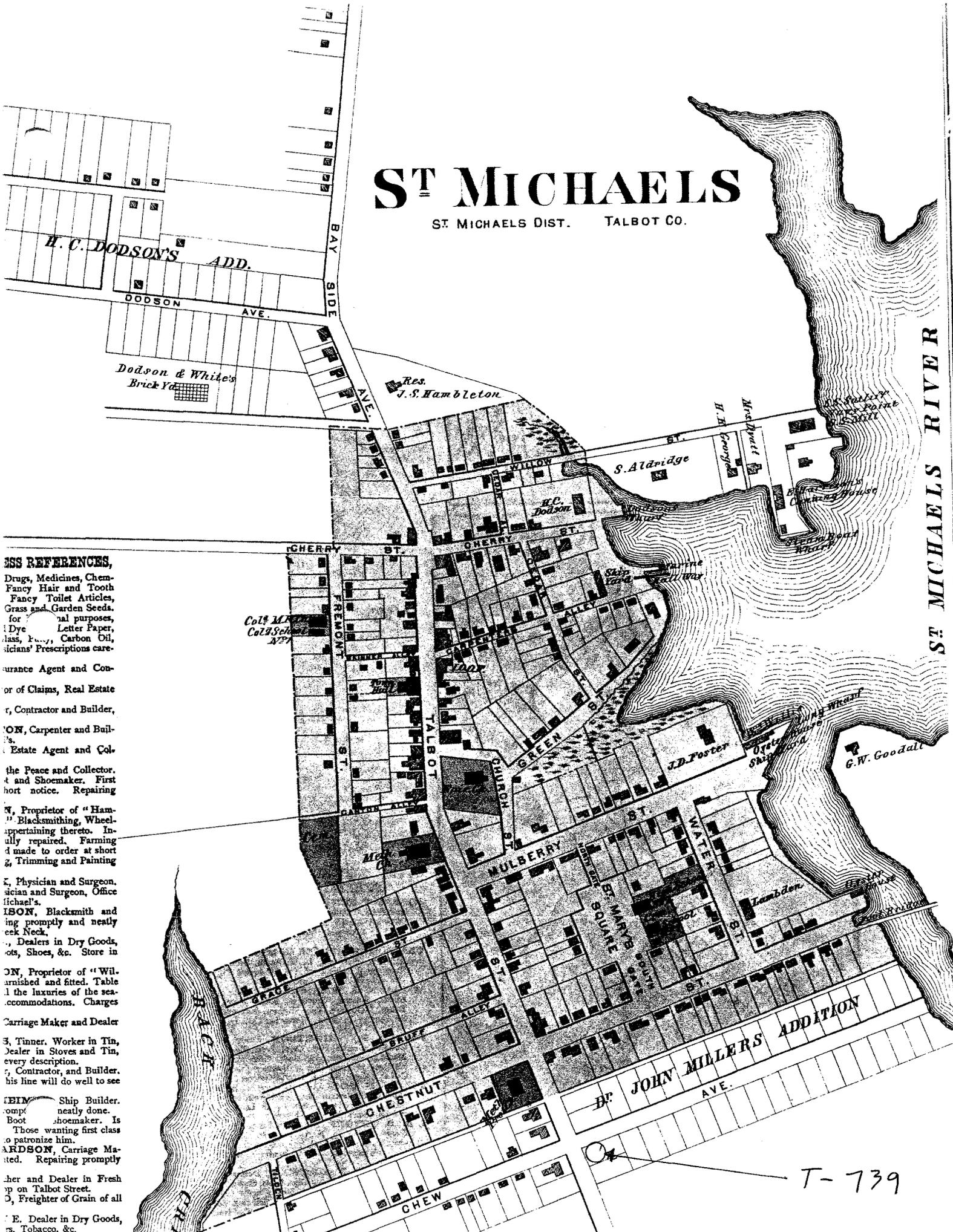
NOTES Deed runs through the chain of title of part of "Bentley Hay", "Janes Progress", and "Beach". Begins with sale of Philip Wetheral's property to James Braddock; Braddock was in arrears with Gildart & Gawith; Braddock had willed his property to John Thompson; John Thompson has conveyed to Wignal as representative of Gildart & Gawith; now Wignal conveys to William Harrison.

YEAR: 1778 VOL: 21 PAGE: 66
FROM: Thomas Kemp and Robert Richardson PRICE: p1550cm
TO: James Braddock

NOTES This was an "auction" of the real estate of Philip Wetheral. Braddock acquired 127 acres at this time, of which he used about 20 acres for his original "town of St. Michaels". Braddock's plat of St. Michaels has been lost and his plan for the town must be constructed from the deeds for land sold by him before his death in 1782. When the village was surveyed in 1806-1806 for erection into a legally constituted town, the surveyors were required to take into consideration the town plan of Braddock as indicated in his deeds. As far as it is possible to determine from the survey of 1804-1806, the land south of the back of the lots on Chestnut Street (East and West), although belonging to Braddock, was not included by him in his plan for the town. It was also not included within the town as surveyed in 1804-1806.

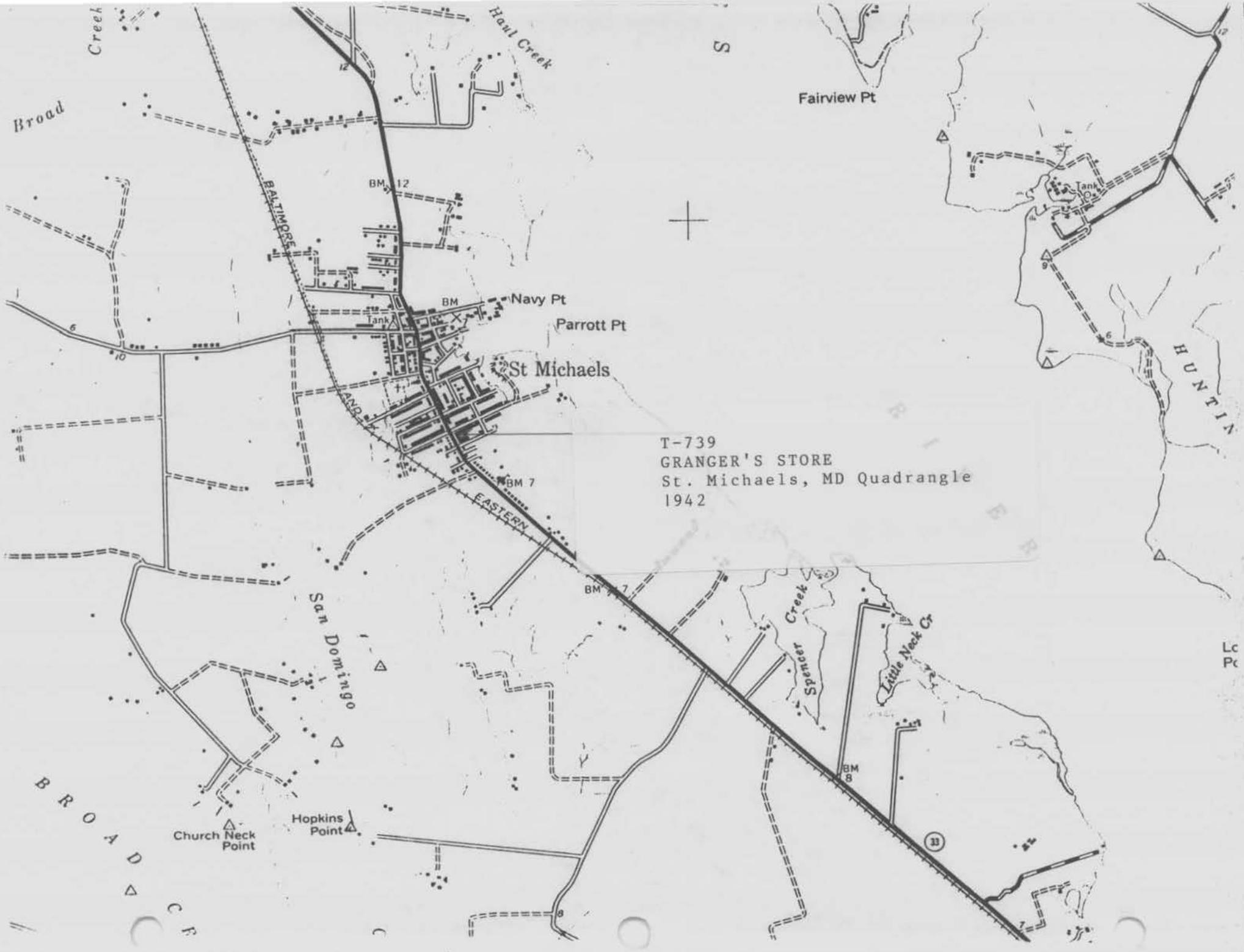
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ST. MICHAELS DIST. TALBOT CO.



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 Fancy Toilet Articles,
 Grass and Garden Seeds,
 for special purposes,
 Dye, Letter Paper,
 Glass, Putty, Carbon Oil,
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GRANGER'S STORE
St. Michaels, MD Quadrangle
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GRANGER'S STORE

St. Michaels, Talbot County, MD

Northwest elevation

11/89, Paul Touart, photographer

Negative/MD Historical Trust