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James
John H. West House
Pittsville vicinity
Private

1879

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MARYLAND HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN INFORMATION

RESOURCE NAME: JAMES
John H. West House

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST INVENTORY NUMBER: WI-⁴⁵⁴~~385~~

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATA

1. Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture
2. Geographic Orientation: Eastern Shore
3. Chronological/Development Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance
1870-1930
4. Resource Type(s):
Farmhouse
Kitchen

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE yes no

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic ^{JAMES}
John H. West House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 9476 Gumboro Road not for publication

city, town Pittsville vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<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 George S. and Tara D. Zaiser

street & number 9476 Gumboro Road telephone no.:

city, town Pittsville state and zip code MD 21850

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court Map 14, Parcel 1
liber 1613

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 475

city, town Salisbury state MD 21801

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No.

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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 James H. West house is located on the west side of the Pittsville-Gumboro Road north of Pittsville, Wicomico County, Maryland. The house is situated on an elevated ridge overlooking the relatively flat fields and terrain of the immediate vicinity. The two-story, three-bay, center hall plan frame dwelling faces east with the principal gable oriented on a north/south axis.

Built in 1879, the two-story, three-bay by two-bay frame house is supported by a continuous brick foundation with an excavated cellar under the southeast parlor. The house, originally covered with plain weatherboard siding, is currently sheathed with asbestos shingles. Hidden under the asbestos shingles are wide corner boards that rise to exposed capitals. The steeply pitched gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Attached to the back of the main block is a story-and-a-half kitchen wing. Standing on the south side of the kitchen wing is a story-and-a-half two-room plan summer kitchen. A medium sized gambrel roofed frame barn is also located on the property several yards west of the summer kitchen. Located north of the house on an adjacent parcel is a small West family burial plot.

The east (main) elevation is a symmetrical three-bay facade with a center entrance and flanking single pane replacement sash windows. The heavily molded front door is framed by a transom and sidelights. Accenting the window headers are bold cornice moldings. The first floor is sheltered by a modern shed roofed porch that stretches across the entire front and around the south corner. The former presence of a single-bay portico is indicated on the weatherboards immediately surrounding the front door where the asbestos shingles have been partially removed. The second floor is lighted by three evenly spaced single-pane sash windows. The center window is flanked by narrow sidelights. Each window opening is trimmed with a cornice molding. The base of the roof is finished with a plain frieze under a boxed cornice. Piercing the roof are interior brick stove chimneys.

The north gable end is defined by pairs of single-pane sash windows on the first and second floors, and each window is trimmed with a cornice molding. A pair of full size single-pane sash windows light the attic as well. The edge of the roof is finished with an extended eave and returns at the base of the roof.

The south gable end is similarly detailed. The modern porch partially shelters the south end. A hatch located within the floor provides access to the root cellar under the southeast parlor. A fragment of a brick vault is located in the root cellar and may have been used as a space to store dairy products.

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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1879 **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

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¹ Eighth Census of the United States, 1860, Worcester County, transcribed by John C. Barnes.

SIGNIFICANCE (Continued)

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Pittsville vicinity, Wicomico County, Maryland

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² Wicomico County Chancery Record, JTT 4/221-228, Chancery Record No. 1149, filed October 12, 1897.

³ *Salisbury Advertiser*, October 8, 1898.

⁵ Wicomico County Land Record, EAT 53/455, 17 March 1906.

⁶ Wicomico County Land Record, JCK 121/422, 9 March 1920.

⁷ Wicomico County Land Records, IDT 158/460, 28 June 1929 and JWTS 299/165, 27 March 1948.

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Map 14, Parcel 1
3.92 acres

1613/475 Gary M. Weber

to

6/1/1998 George S. Zaiser
Tara D. Zaiser

1271/290 Wendell J. Brunk
Janet R. Brunk

to

11/19/1991 Gary M. Weber

A J S 1009/766 James H. Orrell
Ann C. Orrell

to

4/24/1984 Wendell J. Brunk
Janet R. Brunk

A J S 861/652 Pansy V. Murray et al.

to

9/8/1976 James H. Orrell
Plat recorded A J S 815/57, 5/6/1974

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JWTS 299/165

Mildred Thrift Wailes, widow (M. Victoria Wailes, Laura L. Wailes, Alice Wailes Scott, E. Howard Scott)

to

3/27/1948

I. Norman Murray and Pansy V. Murray (Norman Murray died on or about 5/16/1976)

206 acres

IDT 158/460

Arch S. Baker, et al. (Josephine S. Baker, William B. Tilghman Co., and Valliant Fertilizer Company)

to

6/28/1929

F. Leonard Wailes

206 acres

JCK 121/422

Mary E. West, et al. (Anne V. West, Mary West Williams, Mary West Williams attorney in fact for Van Lennep B. Williams, Pearl West Collins, Oliver D. Collins, Carl H. West, Delia West Phillips, Thomas R. Phillips, Florence West Thorington, J. Frank Thorington, Jr.)

to

3/9/1920

Arch S. Baker

\$8,000 206 acres "...being land conveyed to James H. West in his lifetime by Charles C. Shockley by deed dated 2/14/1860 and recorded among the land records of Sussex County in deed book 71/173 and a part of the land that was conveyed to James H. West by Elihu E. Jackson and Nannie R. Jackson 3/17/1906, EAT 53/455 and be any further source what it may, and that, upon the death of the said James H. West, intestate, the property descended unto said Annie V. West, Della West

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Phillips, James T. West, Carl H. West, Florence West
Thorington, Mary West Williams, and Pearl West
Collins, his only children and heirs at law with dower
rights therein to the said Mary E. West surviving widow
of said James H. West

EAT 53/455

Elihu E. Jackson
Nannie R. Jackson

to

3/17/1906

James H. West

\$2,500.00 "being a portion of the land which was
conveyed to said Elihu Jackson by Jay
Williams, trustee, 12/7/1898, JTT 24/163

1. All that tract of land called 'Spear's Adventure' and
'West Level' lying nearly north from the village of
Pittsville and binding on the line separating the State of
Maryland from Delaware containing 150 acres more or
less which was conveyed to the said West by deed from
Ambrose Payne, Sheriff by deed dated 11/14/1859,
in the land records of Worcester County, WET 1/595

....also a tract adjoining the above containing sixty-four
acres conveyed to the said West by Elijah Mitchell and
others, 3/18/1865, GHR 1/597....these two tracts
constituting the homeplace of the said West

2. All that tract of land called 'Double Trouble' and part
of 'Addition to Philadelphia' on the east side of and
binding upon the county road leading from Pittsville
by the residence of James H. West to the Delaware
line and mainly opposite the homeplace of James H.
West containing 112 acres being the same land which
was conveyed to the said James H. West from George
W. West, 10/11/1890, FMS 6/380

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3. All that tract or parcel of land called 'Ratcliff's Discovery' containing 96 acres which was conveyed to the said West from E. Dora Truitt, 4/29/1885, SPT 7/388
4. 'Benjamin's Adventure' 170 acres the same land that formerly belonged to Thomas West late of Worcester County deceased and which the said James H. West elected to take at the valuation thereof made by the commissioners appointed to value and divide the same & which was conveyed to the said George W. West and wife by deed dated 12/13/1858, WET 1/437, being Lot No. 2 of the real estate of Thomas West

Wicomico County
Chancery Record
JTT 4/221-228

Chancery Record No. 1149, October 12, 1897

Case between James H. West and Elihu E. Jackson on default of mortgage issued 1 / 2/1886 for \$5255.10

The lands of James H. West were advertised in consecutive issues of the *Salisbury Advertiser*

October 1, 1898, "Mortgagee's Sale of Valuable Real Estate, By virtue of powers of sale contained in two mortgages from James H. West and wife, one dated January 2, 1886 and recorded among the land records of Wicomico county, in Liber FMS No. 1, Folios 70, 71, and 72, the other dated March 15, 1883 and recorded among said land records in Liber SPT 5/321 and 322, and assigned to me by W. S. Wilson and George S. Payne, the mortgagees, default having been made in both of the said mortgages, I will offer for sale at public auction in front of the court house door in Salisbury, Md. on Saturday, October 1, 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m. the following tracts of land situated in Pittsburg district, Wicomico county, Md. (See xerox of newspaper advertisement)

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Salisbury Advertiser, October 8, 1898

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1877 Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson Atlas Patron List

West, J. H. 650 acres Farmer and Lumberman

1860 U. S. Census James H. West 25 year old male \$ 6000 Real Estate
\$ 2000 Personal Property

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of Riderville,

o'clock next Tuesday evening, October 11th, will be deprived of voting for Hon. John Walter Smith in November. Democrats get registered in the district in which you reside, next Tuesday.

—At a meeting of the Directors of the Bank of Crisfield on Tuesday last, Dr. G. T. Atkinson was elected President in the place of Col. Clarence Hodson, resigned. Dr. Atkinson is an excellent business man and his selection by the bank is to be highly commended.

—Mr. Robt H. Bailey, who is representing his brother, Mr. Albert S. Bailey, commission merchant, No. 187 Produce Avenue, Philadelphia, was in town last week looking after the trade for the house. Both of the Messrs. Bailey were formerly of Parsonsburg, this county.

—Democrats should not forget to attend to the registration. Next Tuesday is the last day on which a citizen can be registered. The registration books will be open that day in every district of the county from 8 o'clock in the morning till 7 o'clock in the evening.

A meeting of the lady board and solicitors for the Hospital Bazar will be held next Monday afternoon at four o'clock at the City Hall, where it is hoped full reports from all solicitors will be brought in. A list of the contributors to the Bazar up to this time is published in another column of this issue. As other names are received, an additional list will be printed.

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WANTED—SEVERAL TRUSTWORTHY persons in this state to manage our business in their own and nearby counties. It is mainly office work conducted at home. Salary straight \$200 a year and expenses—definite, bonafide, no more, no less salary. Monthly \$75. References. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope, Herbert E. Heas, Pres., Dept. M, Chicago.

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The House, Lot, and Stables on Broad street, next door to Presbyterian Church, for the year 1899.

Apply to L. P. HUMPHREYS.

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My dwelling on Main Street, extended, in that part of Salisbury known as California, opposite H. H. Hitch's store. The property is in good condition. A large garden attached.

MRS. LAURA G. DARBY.

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for everybody. Why not have a perfect talking, singing and laughing machine, when one can be bought for \$10. We have them in stock ranging in price from \$10 to \$200. Records 20 cents each, or \$3 per dozen. We would be pleased to have you call and examine them.

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IT'S A TRICK.

Will any gentleman in the crowd kindly loan me a quarter, just a common, unplugged American quarter, just for a moment? Just want to show you how easy it is to make money; and the silvery tongue orator pleaded until a man in the crowd handed him up a quarter. He quietly tore the quarter in two with his fingers and handed down from his buggy to the man two quarters, and none could see how the trick was done. He asked for a half and a man loaned it to him, and right before the eyes of the crowd he tore that half in two, each half of the half seemed to grow out into a complete half, and he handed the man back two half dollars. Then he put a ten dollar gold piece in a cake of soap, poked the cake in with one end and offered it at one a cake, a smart man in the crowd bought the pile and paid his \$9, and the rest of the crowd kicked he-



made to sell at we are now selling
A handsome P with fur braid and to sell at \$5, we
A beautiful P1 back, handsome; made to sell at \$8.
Black cloth cap price; ranging in all the way from.

A Black Beaver Coat, the very late pattern with the new back and sleeve they were made up to sell for \$5, we are selling them for **\$2.9**

Our leader is a beautiful Black Kerse Coat, faced with silk, made to sell for \$10, we are selling for **\$6.0**

CHILDREN'S COATS, CAPES AND REEFER
IN ENDLESS VARIETIES.

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Our manager, Miss Brøn with our new fashionable trim York and Philadelphia attend ings and scouring the very late Millinery parlors. Our trimm from the most fashionable in York city and we promise something strictly original

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SALE 10/9/1919

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How General Burt Was Tricked.

One day when General Andrew S. Burt was lieutenant colonel of the Seventeenth United States Infantry Captain Charles A. Booth, then a lieutenant, met him on the rifle range.

Lieutenant Booth was shooting, and he "called" each shot as he fired, without waiting for the markers to signal the result.

"You're a pretty good guesser," said the colonel. "Why don't you admit you're guessing where those shots land?"

"I'll bet you a box of cigars," said the junior officer, "that I can call 20 shots in succession."

"Taken," said the old warrior. Lieutenant Booth fired.

"Miss," he announced, and a red flag from the target told that this was correct.

Another shot.

"Miss," he declared. A third shot.

"Miss again," he said. Fourth shot.

"Fourth miss," announced Booth. Another shot.

"Miss," again sang out the lieutenant.

"Hold on there," put in Colonel Burt. "What are you trying to do? I thought you were going to fire at the target."

"I'm trying to win my box of cigars," said Lieutenant Booth.

"Don't fire any more," said the colonel. "They're yours."—Chicago Journal.

An Invincible.

When Alcibiades was told that his countrymen had passed sentence of death upon him for being at the head of a conspiracy to overthrow the religious and political constitution of Athens, he said, "I will show them I still live."

He obtained from Sparta assurance of personal safety and went thither. He delighted and charmed the Spartans, as he had the Athenians. In his earlier years he adopted their customs and dress and was the strictest Spartan of them all.

He wore his hair short, bathed in the icy waters of the Eurotas and ate their black broth and barley bread. They believed that he had been misrepresented, in truth, as Plutarch said, "he changed color more quickly than a chameleon."

In Sparta he was grave, temperate and fond of physical exercise; in Ionia he was easy going, luxurious and merry; in Thrace he was drunken, in Thebans he was devoted to horsemanship, and in the court of the Persian satraps he surpassed Themistocles himself in magnificence.

As Sparta was to be the prize of the Athenian victory he showed the people their danger, advising them to begin active operations against that city. No better advice could have been given them, and they profited by it.

Manilla Hemp.

Every engineer knows what manilla hemp is, but few are aware that it is the product of a species of banana which is cultivated in certain localities in the Philippine Islands. The plant, called by the natives "abaca," throws up a cluster of shooting leaf stalks to a height of 20 or 30 feet, which spread out at the top into a series of huge unopened leaves. When it is 2 years old it is cut down and the stalks are left to rot. These stalks, while still fresh, are drawn between a butt and a

Mortgagee's Sale

OF VALUABLE

Real Estate.

By virtue of powers of sale contained in two mortgages from James H. West and wife, one dated January 9, 1888, and recorded among the land records of Wicomico county, in Liber P. M. S., No. 1, folios 70, 71 and 72; the other dated March 15, 1883 and recorded among said land records in Liber S. P. T., No. 5, folio 321 and 322, and assigned to me by W. S. Wilson and Geo. S. Payne, the Mortgagees; default having been made in both of said mortgages, I will offer for sale at public auction in front of the court house door in Salisbury, Md., on

SATURDAY, OCT. 1,

1898, AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M.,

the following tracts of land situated in Pittsburg district, Wicomico county, Md.

NO. 1. All that tract of land called "Spars Adventure" and "West Level" lying nearly north from the village of Pittsville and binding on the line separating the states of Maryland and Delaware,

CONTAINING 153 ACRES,

more or less, which was conveyed to the said James H. West by deed from Ambrose Payne, sheriff of Worcester county, dated November 14th 1879 and recorded among the land records of said county, Liber W. K. T., No. 1, folio 268. Also a tract of land adjoining the above.

CONTAINING 64 ACRES,

conveyed to said West by John Mitchell and others by deed dated March 18, 1878, and recorded among said land records in Liber O. H. B., No. 1, folio 207. These two tracts constitute the "home place" of said West and his present residence.

NO. 2. All that tract of land called "Addition to Philadelphia,"

CONTAINING 150 ACRES,

more or less which was conveyed to said J. H. West from Geo. W. West and wife by deed dated December 13, 1856, and recorded among said land records in Liber W. K. T., No. 1, folio 437, being lot No. 2 of the real estate of Thos. West deceased, as designated by commissioners to value and divide said real estate.

NO. 3. All that tract of land called "Addition to Philadelphia," situated on the public road leading from Pittsville to Twilley (formerly Sheppardville) and about two miles from Pittsville, which was conveyed to said West from Samuel A. Graham, trustee, by deed dated September 17, 1881, and recorded among the land records of Wicomico county in Liber P. M. S., No. 7, folio 441.

CONTAINING 273 ACRES,

more or less.

NO. 4. All that tract of land called "Sun Station," formerly the property of James H. Downing which was conveyed to the said West from Jas. P. Pitt and trustee by deed dated July 1, 1888 and recorded among said land records in Liber P. M. S., No. 7, folio 441.

SALE APRIL 2, 1898. The above described property will be offered for sale in separate parcels as above described in the order as each of them come, if, however, before all of the parcels have been sold, enough is realized from the sale to cover the amount due on the mortgages, interest, cost and taxes on the land, the sale will be closed.

In the event the total amount offered for all of the several parcels of property does not aggregate the amount due on the mortgages, interest, taxes and costs, then all the above described property will be offered as a whole, and the right is hereby reserved to reject the offers made for the property in the several separate parcels, provided the whole shall sell for more than the sum of aggregate sales of separate parcels. In other words whichever brings the most, as a whole, or in separate parcels, will be considered the true sale.

TERMS OF SALE—CASH.

While the terms of sale as mentioned in the mortgage are cash, yet purchasers who can pay as much as one third cash, can arrange with the mortgagee for time upon the other two thirds of the purchase money.

Possession to any or all the above property given as soon as terms are complied with.

ELIHU E. JACKSON,

Mortgagee, and assignee of mortgagees

TRUSTEE'S RE-SALE

OF VALUABLE

REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order of the Circuit Court for Wicomico county, passed in No. 1000 Chancery, June 23d, 1897, wherein John Starling is plaintiff, and Levin O. Twilley, et al, defendants, I will offer at public auction in front of the Court House door, in Salisbury, Md., on

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15,

1898, at 2 o'clock p. m., all that farm or tract of land in Baron Creek district, Wicomico county, Maryland, now occupied by Levin O. Twilley, near to and on the north side of Double Mills being all that portion of the real estate of which Joseph P. Twilley died, seized and possessed, lying on the west side of the county road leading from Double Mills to Sheathen Chapel, adjoining the lands of Revere H. Cooper, Lambert H. Cooper, Robt. H. Bennett and Zachariah R. Phillips, containing eighty acres, more or less.

TERMS OF SALE

Twenty per cent of purchase money on day of sale. Balance on credit, payable in two equal annual installments secured by bond of purchaser with security to be approved by the trustee.

This sale is made at the risk of the said Levin O. Twilley.

JAY WILLIAMS, Trustee

() HEREIN I have caused to be signed by William Banks to the Circuit Court for Wicomico county

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the court of the Lyceum, but he was... As Sparta was to be the prize of... Athenian victory he showed the people their danger, advising them to begin active operations against that city. No better advice could have been given them, and they profited by it.

Manilla Hemp.

Every engineer knows what manilla hemp is, but few are aware that it is the product of a species of banana which is cultivated in certain localities in the Philippine Islands. The plant, called by the natives "abaca," throws up a cluster of shooting leaf stalks to a height of 20 or 30 feet, which spread out at the top into a crown of huge undivided leaves. When it is 2 years old, it is cut down and the stalks are torn into strips. These strips, while still fresh, are drawn between a knife and a wooden block, and the soft cellulose matter is removed. The fiber is then hung up to dry in the open air until it is fit for use. Each stalk gives about a pound of fiber, and two natives will turn out about 25 pounds a day. The manilla fiber, which is thin and weak, is used by the natives for making articles of dress. The familiar manilla rope is made from the fiber of the outer layer, which is hard and strong. The whole supply of manilla hemp practically comes from the Philippines, and the United States consumes 41 per cent of it.

Whipped the Wrong Man.

An actor who was in Washington lately on his way to join the army of stage folk who are tramping into New York to begin rehearsals played in a Chicago stock company a part of the summer, says a writer in the Washington Post. It wasn't an especially successful company and there were periods when the ghost did not walk for weeks at a time. The actor I speak of is what they call on the stage a handsomely dressed man. He is especially addicted to clean linen, and a day dawned when he found that all his shirts were at the laundry and he was penniless.

He went to call on the Chinaman who kept the laundry. In this instance the Chinaman kept the shirts, too, for no threats, no entreaties, no profers of watches and scarpins as securities, no arguments of any kind, sufficed to move him. He wanted money. Two whole days the actor endured this state of things. Then salaries were paid. The actor marched to the laundry, laid down the money, seized the Chinaman by the collar of his pyjamas, jerked him over the counter and rubbed the floor down with him, horizontally, perpendicular and spirally. The poor oriental sputtered out a great deal of talk and one front tooth, I believe. A policeman happened to be passing, an American fellow, casually peered in and asked the occasion of the affair. The actor explained.

"An ah, ah," said the officer sympathetically. "You'll have to do it over again. It's not him that keeps the shirts, it's his wife. You've been duped up the wrong man. This time," concluding, "they all needs it."

among said land records in Liber W. E. T., No. 1, folio 47, being lot No. 2 of the real estate of Thos. West deceased, as designated by commissioners to value and divide said real estate.

NO. 3. All that tract of land called "Addition to Philadelphia," situated on the public road leading from Pittsville to Twilley (formerly Sheppardsville) and about two miles from Pittsville, which was conveyed to said West from Samuel A. Graham, trustee, by deed dated September 17, 1893, and recorded among the land records of Wisconsin county in Liber P. F. T., No. 7, folio 461.

CONTAINING 273 ACRES,
more or less

NO. 4. All that tract of land called "Conclusion," formerly the property of James H. Downing, which was conveyed to the said West from Jas. K. Ellegood, trustee, by deed dated July 25, 1893, and recorded among said land records in Liber P. F. T. No. 4, folio 9.

CONTAINING 67 ACRES,
more or less, which said land was conveyed to said Downing by deed dated February 1, 1877.

NO. 5. All that tract of land called "Conclusion," which was conveyed to the said West from Joshua F. Parsons and wife, by deed dated February 19, 1893, and recorded among said land records in Liber P. F. T. No. 4, folio 40.

CONTAINING 91 ACRES,
more or less, and which was deeded to Joshua F. Parsons by Spencer H. White July 18, 1881, adjoining other lands of said West, the lands of the late George H. Parsons, Solomon G. Trull and Larry T. West.

NO. 6. All that tract of land called "Wells Trouble," which was conveyed to said West from Levi Wells and wife by deed dated January 9, 1893, and recorded among said land records in Liber P. F. T. No. 8, folio 86.

CONTAINING 22 ACRES,
more or less, and particularly described by maps and bounds in said deed.

NO. 7. All that parcel of land conveyed to said West by Thos. E. Wells and wife by deed dated February 21, 1874, and recorded among said land records in Liber P. F. T., No. 2, folio 87.

CONTAINING 80 ACRES,
being all the land on the north side of a big ditch known as Buckram ditch, adjoining the lands of James Whaley, John H. Farlow, Thos. Dennis and others. Also that five acres lot lying immediately within the lands of John T. West, said tract being the same land which was devised to the said Thos. E. Wells by the last will of his father William Wells.

NO. 8. All that tract of land called "Benjamin's Adventure."

CONTAINING 170 ACRES,
more or less. The same that formerly belonged to Thos. West, late of Worcester county, deceased, and which the said James H. West deeded to land at the valuation thereof made by the commissioners appointed to value and divide the same.

NO. 9. All that tract or parcel of land called "Madeline's Discovery."

CONTAINING 98 ACRES,
more or less, which was conveyed to the said West from A. Thos. Trull and wife by deed

Twilley, near to and on the north side of Double Mills, being all that portion of the real estate of which Joseph F. Twilley died, seized and possessed lying on the west side of the county road leading from Double Mills to Sneathen Chap. 1, adjoining the lands of Severn H. Cooper, Lambert H. Cooper, Robt. H. Bennett, and Zachariah S. Phillips, containing eighty acre, more or less.

TERMS OF SALE.

Twenty per cent of purchase money on day of sale. Balance on credit, payable in two equal annual installments secured by bond of purchaser with security to be approved by the trustee. This resale is made at the risk of the said Levin O. Twilley.

JAY WILLIAMS, Trustee.

ORDER NISI.

James K. Ellegood vs. William Banks. In the Circuit Court for Wisconsin County, in Equity, No. 1500. Sept. Term, 1898.

Ordered that the sale of property mentioned in these proceedings made and reported by James K. Ellegood, attorney named in the mortgage be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the first day of November next, provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed in Wisconsin county to give notice of these proceedings weekly for the sixth day of October next. If no report shall be made the amount of sales to be \$1000.

Levin O. Twilley, Trustee.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscriber hath obtained from the orphans court for Wisconsin county, letters of administration on the personal estate of

WILLIAM LLOYD,

late of Wisconsin county, dec'd. All persons having claims against said dec'd are hereby notified to exhibit the same, with vouchers therefor to the subscriber on or before

March 10th, 1899.

or they may otherwise be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 26th day of September, 1898.

W. FRANK HOWARD, Administrator.

NOTICE OF REGISTRATION.

Important to Voters of Eleventh, or Delmar District.

ALL PERSONS now residing within the limits of the NEW ELECTION DISTRICT of Wisconsin county known as the Eleventh (or Delmar) District, and who are registered voters in what was formerly the Second Precinct of Ninth (or Salisbury) Election District, from which was created the said new district will, in order to be entitled to a vote in said Delmar District, be required to register and obtain REMOVAL CERTIFICATION showing their names to have been stricken from the registers of said Second Precinct of Ninth (or Salisbury) Election District.

For the purpose of granting these REMOVAL CERTIFICATIONS the Board of Supervisors of Election will meet at their office in the Graham building, Salisbury, between the hours of 1:30 and 3 p. m. on the following dates: October 1, 1898, and will receive said removal applications to process making personal application for and entitled to the same. The said certificates will also be issued by registration on the day of REGISTRATION in the DELMAR DISTRICT, viz: OCTOBER 15, 1898, and OCTOBER 22, 1898.

Board of Supervisors of Election

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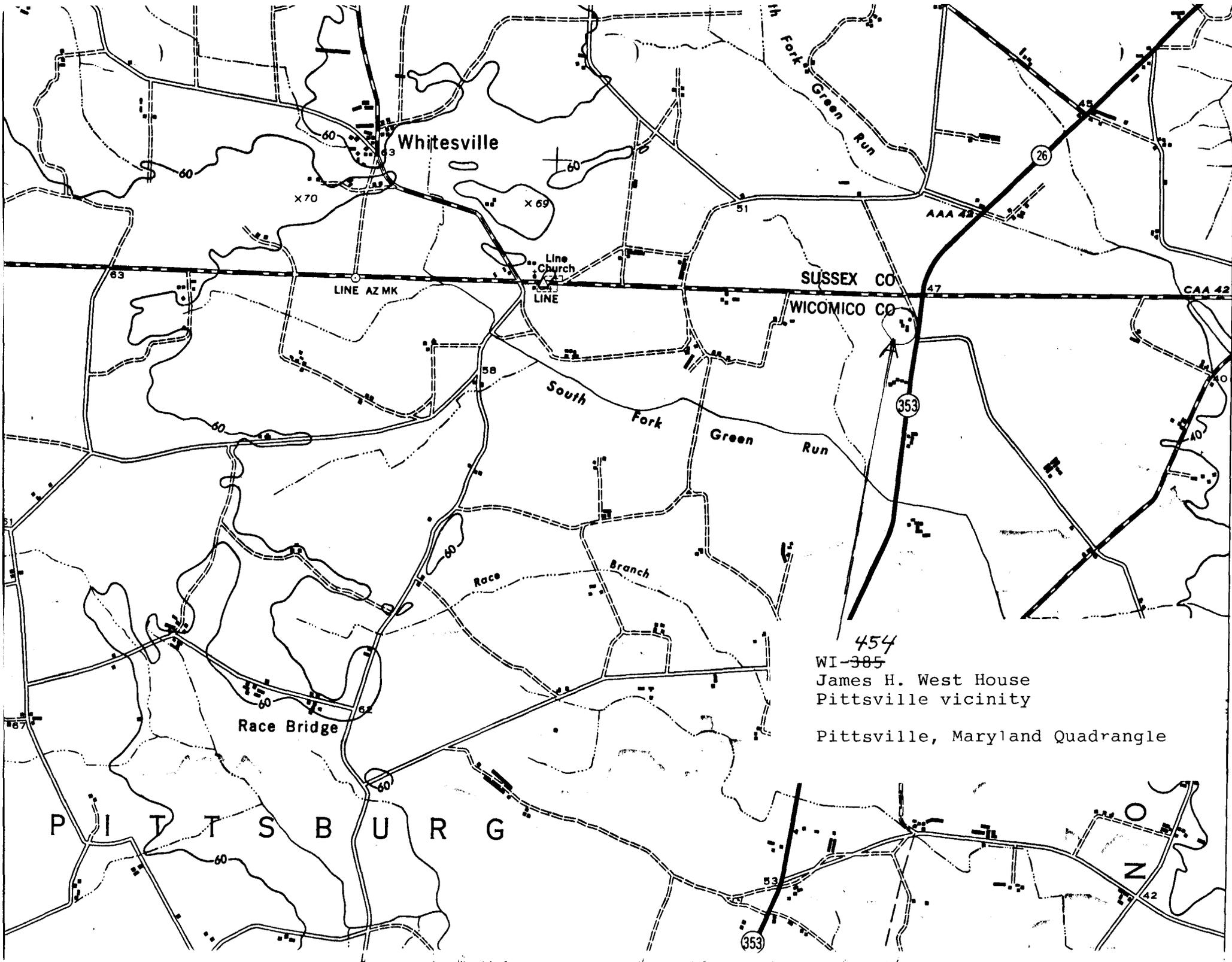
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