

CAPSULE SUMMARY

F-1-211

John H. Hargett House

Adamstown vicinity

Private

Ca. 1850; ca. 1920

The Hargett House is a good representative of the mid-19th century dwelling, retaining the german siding and three-bay elevation with apparently original sash and shutters. Its principal elevation on the east also has a four-panel door and a small transom. The rear wing has shed porches on the north and south sides. The property has two concrete block garages built in the early 1920's with cross-braced tongue-and-groove doors. The house was built possibly as early as 1850, based on the 1858 Bond map, which shows a structure owned by G. Thomas. Land records indicate that Gabriel Thomas' widow sold the property to Harriet Hargett, the wife of John H. Hargett, in 1864. The Hargetts owned the house from 1864 to 1920; from 1920 to 1953, two generations of the Walter G. Whipp family were the owners, who probably built the two garages.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery Counties, and
Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:
Agricultural/Industrial Transition, A.D. 1815-1870
Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Types:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:
Domestic/single dwelling/residence
Domestic/secondary structure/garage

Known Design Source: None

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic John H. Hargett House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 4026 Ballenger Creek Pike ___ not for publication

city, town Adams town vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

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"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input 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 checked="" 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 Richard & June S. Easterday

street & number 4026 Ballenger Creek Pike telephone no.:

city, town Frederick state and zip code MD 21701

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 675

street & number 100 W. Patrick St. folio 244

city, town Frederick state MD 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. F-1-211

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<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.

SECTION 7: Description:

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 3

The John H. Hargett House is a two-story frame dwelling built about 1850 with two concrete block garages of the early 1920's located on the west side of Ballenger Creek Pike about 1/2 mile north of the intersection of Manor Woods Road near Adamstown, Frederick County, Maryland. The house faces east toward the road and the garages are located immediately west of the house. The german sided house is currently unoccupied and in fair condition. The dates of the buildings are based on architectural details, historical maps, and land records.

The dwelling has a three-bay east elevation with a center entrance. The facade has no porch or stoop in front of the doorway and the german siding reveals no evidence that a porch was removed. The door is a 4-panel design with a narrow three-light transom above it. The windows are 2/2 with louvred shutters. The cornice is boxes and returns on the north and south gable ends. The roof is covered with standing seam metal. Interior end chimneys were originally at each gable end, but the north chimney has been replaced by an exterior brick chimney. The south gable end has one bay near the front of the house and two 2/2 attic windows flanking the interior chimney stack. A small 2/2 casement window is located on the second story near the rear of the house, possibly an early 20th century addition to light a bathroom. The north elevation also has a single bay at the front of the house. A two-story wing extends from the center of the west elevation, with one-story shed porches on both the north and south sides. Each side has an entrance with glazed panel doors. A third interior chimney is at the west end of the wing. The interior was not accessible for this survey.

Garages: The two garages built in the early 1920's are of plain concrete block. One of the garages has a hipped corrugated metal roof and 2/2 metal sash windows. The double swing doors on the north elevation have cross braced tongue-and-groove panels with centered 9-light windows. The second garage was also once a one-story building, but was altered later with a second story. The hipped corrugated metal roof and swing doors are similar to those on the other building. Both levels have metal 2/2 windows. Parts of the upper structure have wood siding.

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"/> 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"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates c.1850; c.1920 **Builder/Architect**

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and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

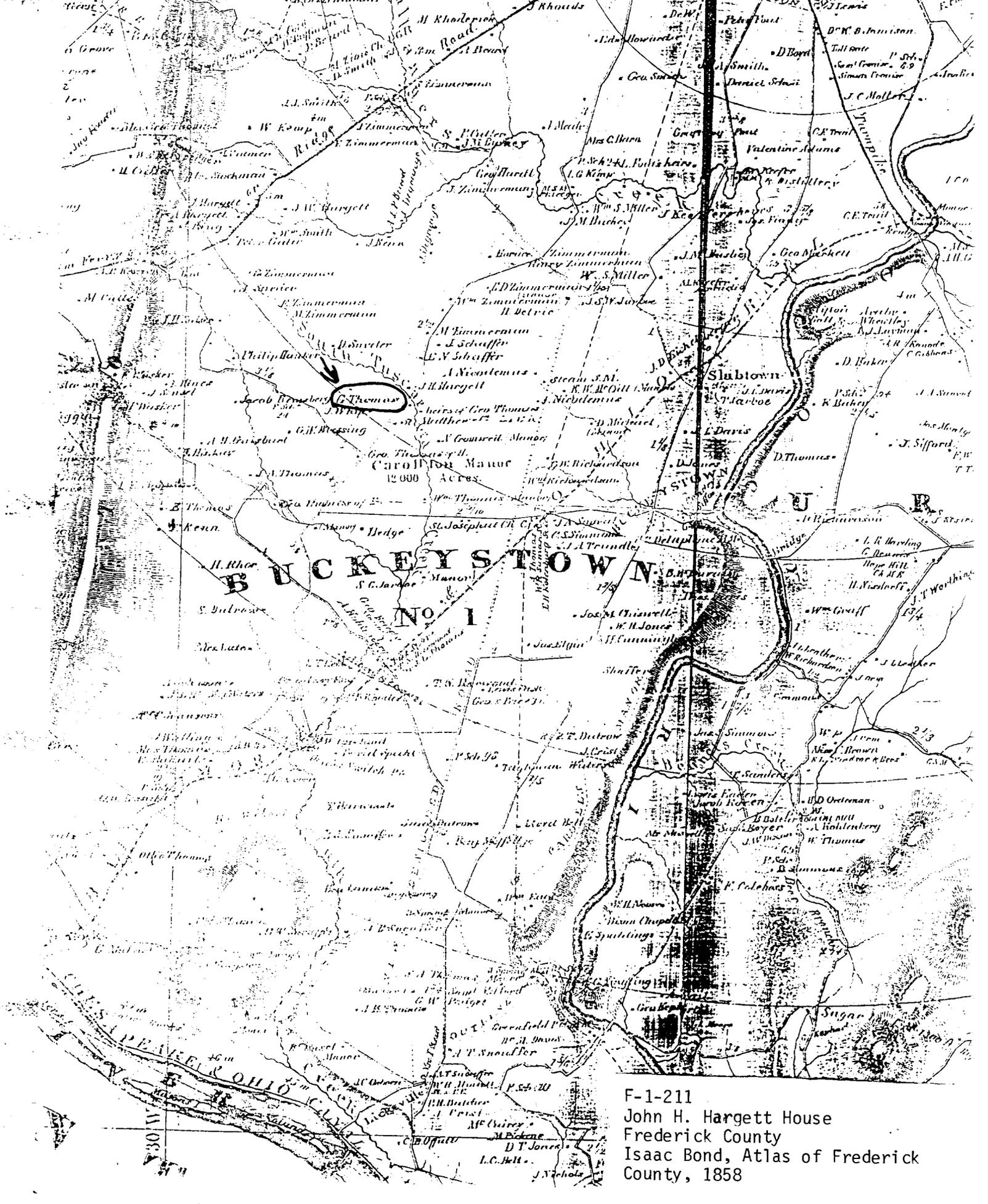
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SECTION 8: Significance:

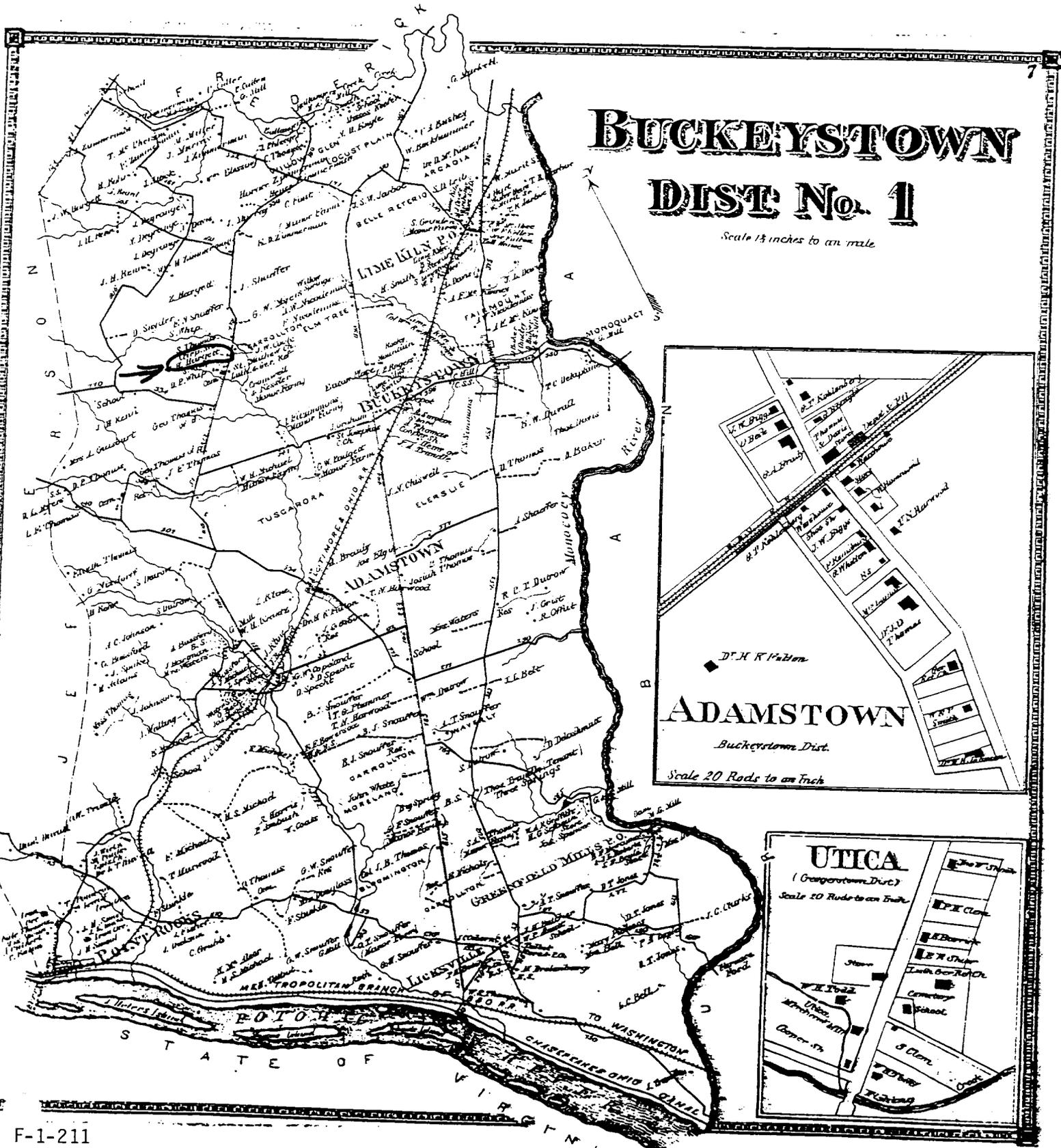
The John H. Hargett House is moderately significant for its vernacular architectural style which represents the period about 1850. Although changes have occurred in the chimney locations and the state of the interior is unknown, the house exterior is mostly unaltered since the late 19th century. The possible existence of a porch on the main elevation remains unconfirmed, but this feature is commonly found on dwellings of the period. However, the low threshold of the doorway strongly suggests that a raised porch was never present. The house was possibly built by John H. Hargett in about 1864, but the 1858 Bond map and land records seem to indicate that a house may have existed by the late 1850's, when the approximately 1-acre lot was the property of Gabriel Thomas. In 1864, Thomas' widow sold the lot to Harriet Hargett, the wife of John H. Hargett. Although no specific information about Hargett has been found for this evaluation, the Hargett family was prominent in the affairs of the vicinity of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, located just south of the house. The 1873 Titus Atlas map shows that a carpenter shop was located north of the house, suggesting by its proximity to the house that Hargett may have been involved with this business. The Hargett family retained the property until 1920. From 1920 to 1953, it was the property of two generations of the Walter G. Whipp family, who probably built the concrete block garages.

Lot Size, Description,
Other Information,
Original Tracts

Liber/Folio	Grantee	Grantor	Lot Size, Description, Other Information, Original Tracts	Cost	Miscellaneous
675/244 31 Aug 62	Richard & June S. Easter day	Edward D. & Mildred R. Storm	3 parcels		
675/242 31 Aug 62	Edward D. Storm	Nettie B. Stock man, widow et al	3 parcels		
576/365 30 Apr 53	Harvey A. Stock man	H. Bradley Jones et al	1. 474/275 2. 479/197 3. 566/13		
3) 506/13 23 Aug 52	H. Bradley Jones et al	Harry & Naomi Whipp	356/496, 1 Apr 26		
2) 479/197 10 May 49	H. Bradley Jones et al	Harry & Naomi Whipp	7 A., part of land conveyed by 356/496		
1) 474/275 27 Sept 48	H. Bradley Jones et al	Mary S. Whipp	1 A. 2 sq. p.		
331/94 29 Mar 20	Walter M. & Marg S. Whipp	Catherine E. Hargett, Edward S. Hargett widow et al			
TG 10/587 7 Dec 1878	Edward S. Hargett	Henry N. P. Hargett et al, legal heirs & reps. of John H. Hargett & Harriet Hargett, dec.		\$900	
JWLC 1/365 2 Apr 1864	Harriet Hargett wife of John H. Hargett	Mary M. Thomas widow of Gabriel Thomas	Lot No. 1. 2 A. part of "Mistaken Recital"	\$600	
JWLC 1/619 6 June 1864	Harriet Hargett wife of John H. Hargett	Adam & Elizabeth Shaffer	part of "Boiling Spring", Lot No. 2 1 A., 2 sq. p.	\$89.43	



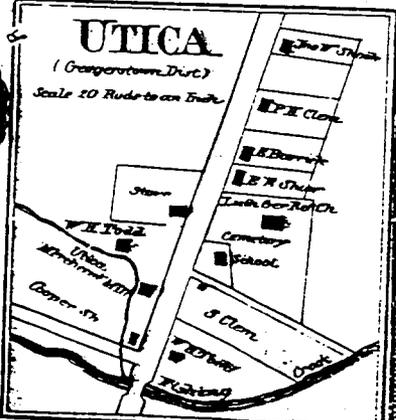
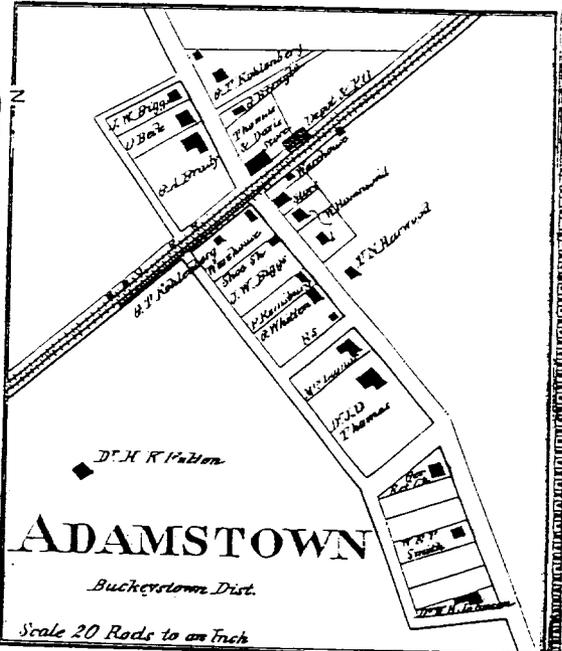
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 Isaac Bond, Atlas of Frederick
 County, 1858



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Scale 1/4 inches to an mile



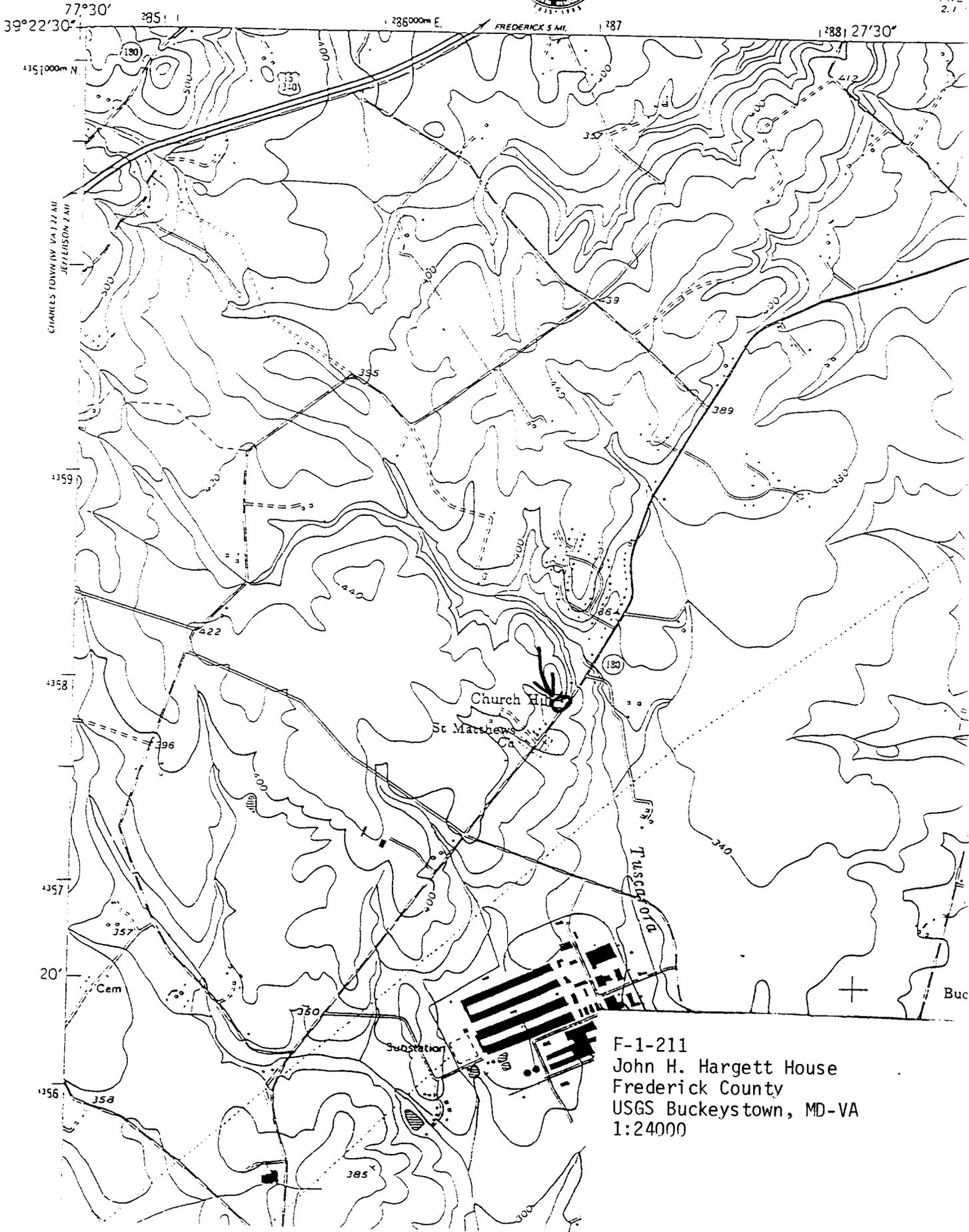
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 C.O. Titus, Atlas of Frederick County, 1873

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Neg. loc.: Md. S4PO, Crownsville, Md

Southeast elevation

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Neg. loc.: Md. SHPO, Crownsville, Md.

Southwest corner view

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Neg. loc. Md. SUPO, Crownsville, Md

Garage, north elevation

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