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Vincent Sanner Farmstead
Middletown vicinity
Private

Ca. 1784-1940

The Vincent Sanner Farmstead consists of a dated 1784 brick dwelling with a flemish bond, four-bay principal elevation with a water table and belt course, a stone springhouse of approximately the same date, a concrete block meat house, possibly contemporary with the house, a frame bank barn of about 1850-1875, a frame wagon shed/corn crib, a hog barn, a hay or feed shed, a blacksmith shop, a tool shed, and a non-contributing garage. The farm group shows the transition of agricultural complexes from the last quarter of the 18th century to the mid-20th century. The dated dwelling house gives an example of architectural design and construction to help in dating and understanding other brick houses of the vicinity. The agricultural outbuildings are typical of farmsteads which cover a long period of development, principally in the presence of the large bank barn which was altered in about the 1930's for use as a dairy operation, reflecting trends then current in agriculture in Frederick County.

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Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

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

Chronological/Development Period:
Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
Industrial Urban Dominance A.D. 1930-Present

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

Resource Types:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:
Domestic/single dwelling/residence
Domestic/secondary structure/smokehouse
Domestic/secondary structure/other dependencies
Agriculture/subsistence/animal facility/barn
Agriculture/subsistence/storage/granary
Agriculture/subsistence/agricultural outbuilding/tool shed

Known Design Source: None

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Vincent Sanner Farmstead

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 3803 Bussard Road not for publicationcity, town Middletown 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input 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 Carrie S. Bussard et al

street & number 17 Locust Blvd., Rt. 3, Box 120 telephone no.:

city, town Middletown state and zip code Md. 21769

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 462

street & number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 188

city, town Frederick state Md. 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Paul Brinkman Survey of Frederick County #134

date 1968 federal state county local

depository for survey records Md. SHPO

city, town Crownsville state Md. 21032

7. Description

Survey No. F-419

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.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 9

The Vincent Sanner Farmstead is an agricultural group centered on a circa 1784 brick dwelling of two stories with an associated stone springhouse and a concrete block meathouse and an agricultural outbuilding group consisting of a frame bank barn, a frame wagon shed/corn crib, a frame hog barn, a frame hay barn, a frame blacksmith shop, a frame tool shed, all dated about 1875-1890, and a non-contributing concrete block garage. The farmstead is located on the south side of Bussard Road about 2/10 mile east of Old Middletown Road near Middletown, Frederick County, Maryland. The principal elevation of the house faces north and the agricultural outbuildings are located east of the dwelling. The blacksmith shop, garage, and tool shed are located northwest of the house at the edge of Bussard Road.

The house has a flemish bond north elevation with a molded brick water table and a belt course between the first and second stories which extends around the entire building. The house exterior is painted white. The north elevation has four bays with the entry in the west center bay sheltered by an entry porch with paired square posts. The entrance has a 5-light transom and a four-paneled door. The windows are 6/6 with wood sills and gauged flat arches. The roof is standing seam metal with a boxed cornice and interior end chimneys, which appear to have been rebuilt above the roofline.

The east gable elevation has two window bays with segmental blind arches above the window openings on the first story. Wood lintels are on the second story. Square attic windows are placed on either side of the chimney. The bond pattern on the gable ends and the rear or south elevation is 5:1 American bond. The west gable end is also two bays deep, with a dated panel in the top of the gable reading "V S 1784". This is undoubtedly Vincent Sanner, in whose family the farm remained until 1919.

The south elevation has irregularly spaced bays with flat arched windows on the second story and segmental arches on the first story. As on the other elevations, the sills are wood.

The interior was not accessible for this survey.

Domestic Outbuildings:

Springhouse: The stone springhouse is located southwest of the house near a creek which runs south of the building complex. It has a rectangular plan with two levels. A vertical board door is located on the north elevation and square window openings on both levels are in the west gable end. The sash is missing. A second doorway opening is in the upper level in the east gable end. The gable roof is covered with corrugated metal. The springhouse was probably built at the same time or within 20 years of the date of the house, approximately 1784-1800.

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8. Significance

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

Specific dates Ca. 1784-1940 **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.

The Vincent Sanner Farmstead is a good example of a farm grouping showing development from the late 18th century with a dated 1784 dwelling and contemporary springhouse through the 19th century, represented principally by a late 19th century bank barn, wagon shed/corn crib, and blacksmith shop, and into the mid-20th century, exemplified by the dairy alterations to the bank barn and the possible separate hog barn which were mandated by health regulations of the dairy industry in the 1930's. The architectural significance of the dwelling relates to its early date, making it a comparative tool in dating other brick dwellings in the vicinity.

Middletown Valley farms of the late 18th and 19th centuries exist in considerable numbers when compared to the 1858 and 1873 maps on which they appear with owners' names. The survival of the major components, the house and barn, are usually predictable, although alterations to both are frequent. The rest of the extant outbuildings varies from farm to farm, although a springhouse, a smokehouse, a summer kitchen, and a wagon shed/corn crib are the most common. These tended to be more substantial in structure, stone or brick, although many log buildings also survived. The wagon shed/corn cribs usually date from the last quarter of the 19th century and later, and are often adapted to other uses. The Vincent Sanner Farmstead appears to be typical, with the exception of a blacksmith shop and the absence of a summer kitchen. Vincent Sanner, the "V.S." of the 1784 panel on the house, came to Frederick County from the Eastern Shore of Maryland, according to Williams and McKinsey's History of Frederick County. His descendants owned the farm until 1919, indicating that the conversion to dairying as the principal agricultural product took place under the Bussard family, which still owns the property.

7.1 Description Continued

Meat house: This is a concrete block square plan building with a pyramidal roof covered with composition material. In location and plan the building closely approximates an early 19th century domestic outbuilding; however, its exterior has been altered with 20th century materials. The interior was not accessible to determine other dating and structural information.

Agricultural Outbuildings:

Bank barn: The frame bank barn is located east of the house with the ramp on the north elevation. It is a rectangular building with vertical siding, a corrugated metal roof, and vestiges of scalloped bargeboard trim on the west gable end. A shed roofed extension on the east gable end contains a granary. Built approximately 1850-1875, the barn was altered probably in the 1930's with the addition of an attached concrete block milk house on the north elevation and the lower level was sectioned off with concrete block to form a milking parlor. The rest of the lower level is faced with lattice, a feature common to the lower Middletown Valley.

Wagon shed/corn crib: The frame structure is located near the edge of Bussard Road just northwest of the barn with the drive-through on a north-south axis. It has vertical siding and a corrugated metal roof. It appears to date from about 1875-1899.

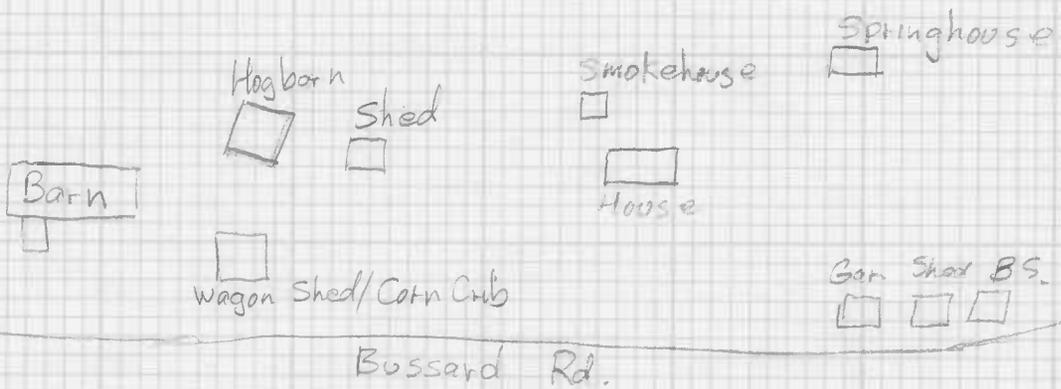
Hog barn: The small rectangular frame hog barn is located near the southwest corner of the bank barn. It has vertical siding and a corrugated metal roof. It was probably built about 1900-1925, although perhaps as late as the 1930's at the time the dairy alterations occurred in the large barn.

Hay barn: The small rectangular frame building just west of the hog barn also has vertical siding and a corrugated metal roof, with a single vertical board door in the north elevation. Its location suggests feed storage as its original function. It dates from about 1900.

Blacksmith shop: The shop is a rectangular frame building located at the west end of a group of three outbuildings at the edge of Bussard Road northwest of the house. It has both german and vertical siding and a corrugated metal roof, with a single door at the southeast corner. The blacksmith shop may date from the last quarter of the 19th century.

Tool shed: The tool shed is located just east of the shop and is also a rectangular frame structure with german siding and a corrugated metal roof. The door is in the north elevation. The building appears to be about the same date as the shop.

Non-contributing garage: The concrete block garage is the third building in the group of three near Bussard Road. It is probably a 1950's building.



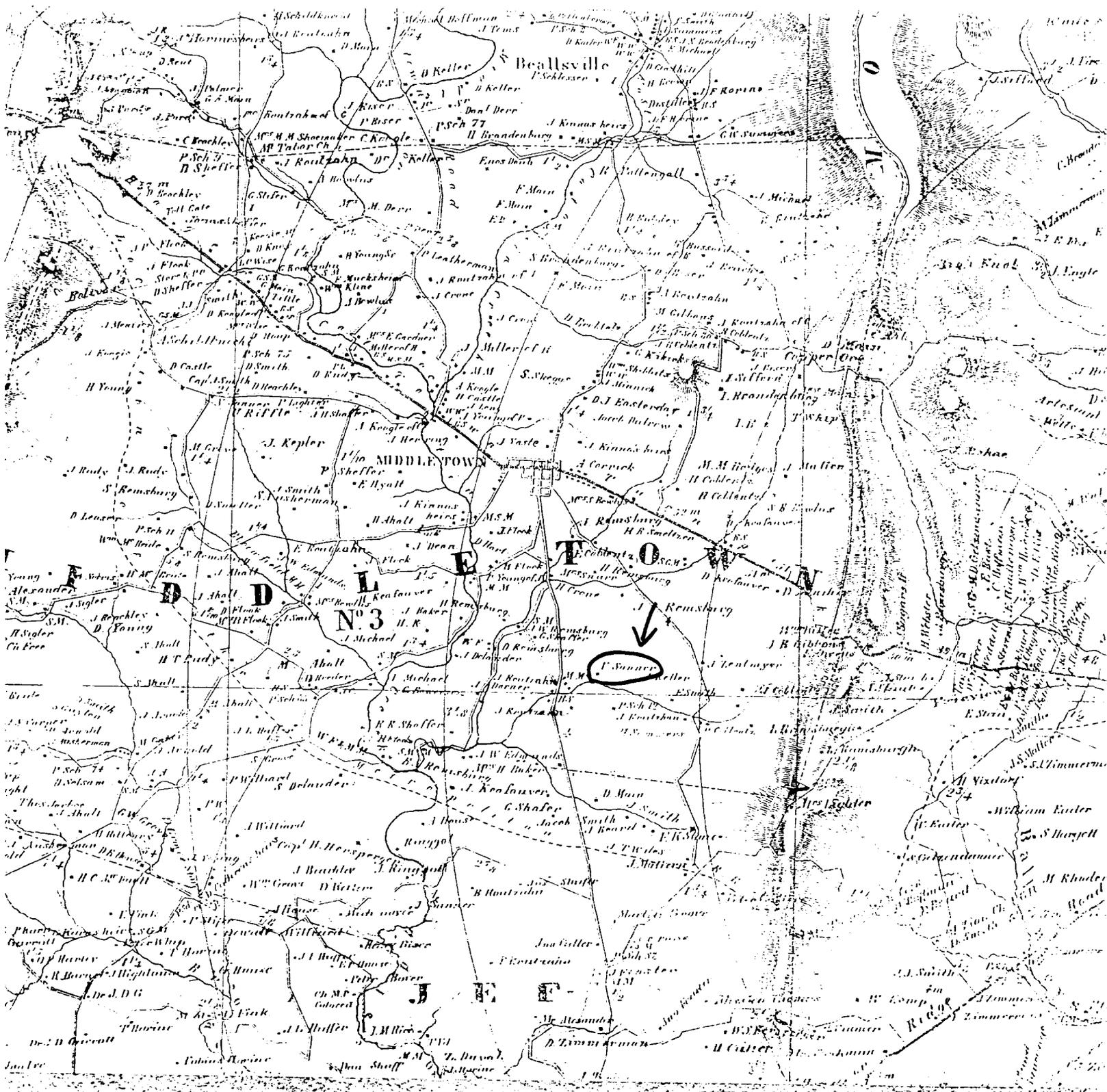
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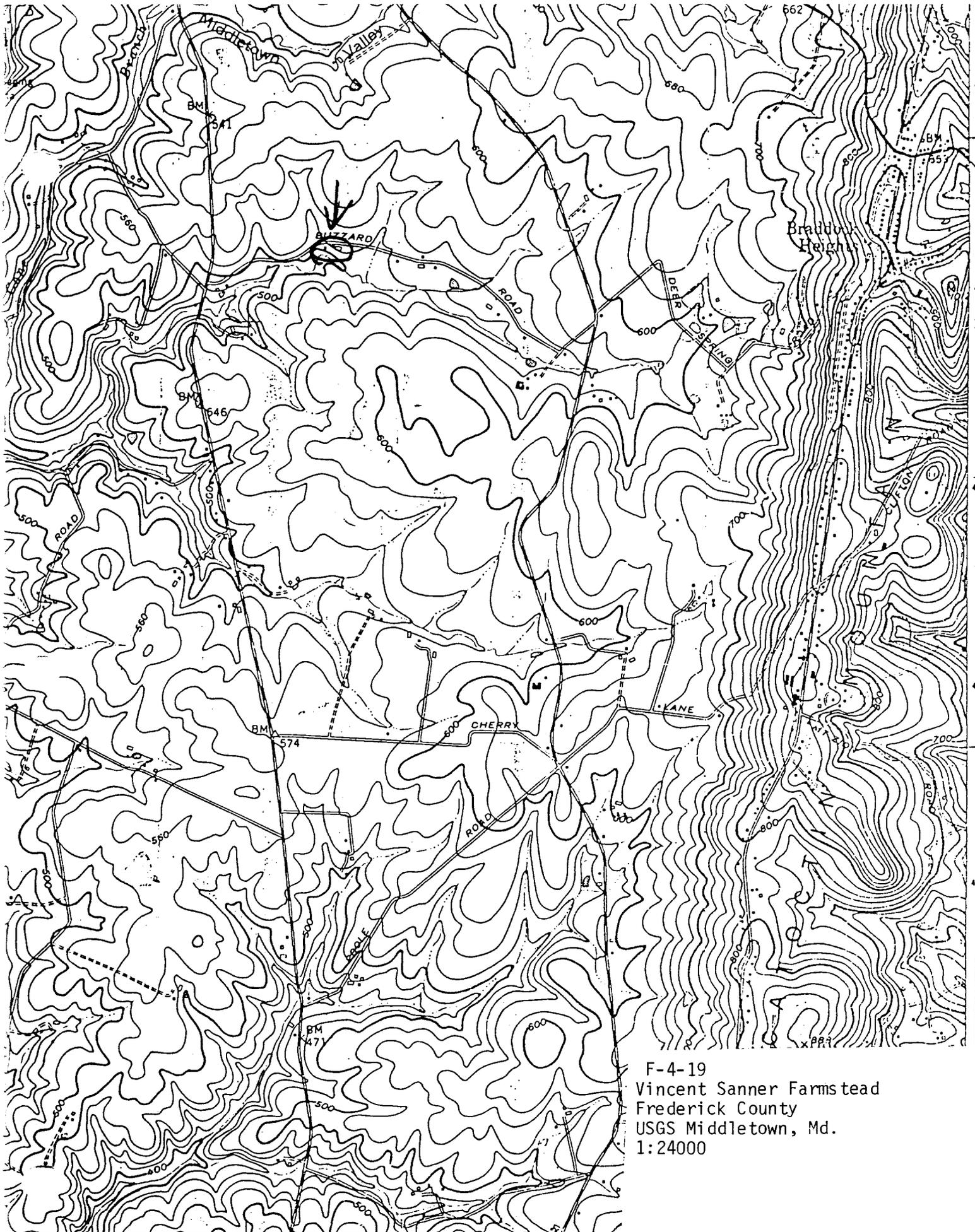
#10 3803 Bussard Pat.

LIBER/FC. O	GRANTEE	GRANTOR	ORIGINAL TRACTS	COST	DATE
462/188 12 Apr 47	Carrie S. Bussard & Charlotte B. Bowers, sisters	Samuel D. Bussard, widower			
364/256 19 Sept 27	Samuel D. Bussard	Charles L. & Minnie E. Bussard			
328/6 31 Mar 19	Charles L. Bussard	Fannie O. Sanner unmarried	1. Part of "Nicholas Content" 165A. 2. HWB 310/462 5 Dec. 1914	\$19,000	
JLS 7/625 20 Feb 1895	Fannie O. Sanner	Ellen M. Sanner			
WIP 4/266 1 Apr 1887	Vincent Sanner	John Sanner & Sarah A. Sanner, wife Mary & Daniel Smith Amanda & Henry Kepler et al, heirs of	"Nicholas Content" 165A. "Security"	\$10,555.10	
BGF 2/30 1 Apr 1858	Vincent Sanner, Sr.	Vincent Sanner, Sr., Samuel & Mahala Bowles (Bowles)	"Nicholas Content" 165 A.	\$14,099.37 1/2	
no further refs					

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Vincent Sanner Farmstead
Frederick County
Isaac Bond, Map of Frederick
County, 1858



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USGS Middletown, Md.
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1. 1000 lbs in steel
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Woods - Great Highway

Redwood Park

Water Tower Hill

San Francisco

Mount Diabolo, Contra Costa Co., Calif.

Springwood, West Alameda

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1. 1890. Summer Fair at

Friedrichs ¹⁸⁹⁰

Platz, Jarmen, Prussia

January 1890

1. 1890. Md. State Fair, Md.

State Fair, Baltimore, Md.

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