

William M. Williams, Sr. House
HA 1899

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**Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. HA 1899

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common William M. Williams, Sr. House

2. Location

street & number 1616 Main Street

N/A not for publication

city, town Cardiff

vicinity of

congressional district 5th

state Maryland

county Harford

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Ronald and Vera Ingoal

street & number Ws Green Marble Road

telephone no.: (410)452-5192

city, town Cardiff

state and zip code Maryland, 21024

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Harford County Courthouse

liber HDC 934

street & number 20 W. Courtland Pl.

folio 588

city, town Bel Air

state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title none

date

federal state county local

pository for survey records

city, town

state

7. Description

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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.

This two story frame house is located on the west side of Main Street in the village of Cardiff, Maryland. The main house is three bays wide and two deep, with a two story gable roof projection which is one bay deep completely covering the rear, west exposure. An L-shaped porch runs the length of the east, main facade and north side. Three internal chimneys rise at the main house and projection gable ends, all centered on the gable peaks. Due to this house being perched on a slope which falls away from Main Street, a large portion of the coursed slate foundation of the main house is exposed. The rear projection most likely was added to the main house, as the foundation under that segment of the house is cinder block. The original slate roof of the main house has been maintained, however the porch is covered in modern asphalt shingles.

A simple center hall plan, the main entrance is located at the middle bay of the main facade, with two windows at the remaining lower bays and three evenly spaced across the second story. All windows are 2/2 sash. Both endwalls of the main house have two upper and lower windows, with two small windows at each gable. Working shutters remain at the main facade and north sides of the main house. The long L porch with simple columns and balustrade lend functional ornamentation to this structure.

Of interest is the fact that this house and the adjoining one located to the south have the longest segment of original slate sidewalk remaining in Cardiff.

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
<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/ humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

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 house was built around 1883 by and/or for William M. Williams, a Welsh quarryman , on land that was sold to him by John Parry. A native of Llanllyfny, North Wales, John Parry came to the United States in 1832 and established himself early in the growing slate industry. (His seventeen acre parcel was the farm which was subdivided by his heirs for a great section of northern Cardiff.) In 1883, he platted lots from his land near the center of Cardiff, with this house being on lot 2.

Probably one of the earliest frame houses in the small Welsh settlement of Cardiff, the main section of the house is a simple, two story frame structure, three bays wide and two deep. Unique to this slate quarrying region, the foundation of the house is of coursed slate, and the roof is slate shingled. A segment of the original slate sidewalks remains in front of this house. Initially, Welsh immigrants constructed their homes with stone in a "Coulson town cottage" form which is a transplanted Welsh vernacular. As wood was so accessible in this new country, the Welsh choice in construction materials appears to have shifted in the later part of the nineteenth century to wood.

The village of Cardiff first developed in the mid-eighteen hundreds along today's Slate Ridge/Green Marble Road as a settlement of Welsh quarrymen and their families. Delta's Main Street was extended to Cardiff at some point in the second half of the century, spurring town development along it. This structure should be one of those represented on the Delta 1888 Map, a birdseye map of the existing structures in Cardiff (South Delta) and the neighboring towns.

WILLIAM M. WILLIAMS, Sr. HOUSE
Title Search

HDC 934/588	August 20, 1973	Grantor: George K. Amos and David W. Amos Grantee: Ronald J. and Vera G. Ingool Granted: town lot of .21 acres with improvements
GRG 675/563	May 20, 1965	Grantor: Zero, Inc. Grantee: Lulu E. Amos, widow Granted: same, dimensions given for lot are 171.40' by 50'
GRG 675/558	May 20, 1965	Grantor: Lulu E. Amos, widow Grantee: Zero, inc. Granted: same
GRG 631/96	September 30, 1963	Grantor: Lulu E. Amos, widow Grantee: George K. and Helen R. Amos Granted: same
GRG 396/280	June 27, 1953	Grantor: Cora Williams Neal, widow of Robert L. Williams Grantee: Lulu E. Amos (daughter) Granted: same, improvements mentioned.
SWC 225/99	October 13, 1932	Grantor: Charles and Mary Pearce Grantee: Robert L. and Cora Williams Granted: town lot of 33 perches, with improvements
SWC 225/99	October 13, 1932	Grantor: Robert L. and Cora Williams Grantee: Charles and Mary Pearce Granted: same
WSF 108/339	December 26, 1903	Grantor: George L. Van Bibber, Trustee in Equity Case of August 14, 1902, William M. and Elizabeth Williams v. John E. Williams et al. Grantee: Robert L. Williams Granted: town lot of 33 perches with improvements for \$1025.00, adjoining lands of Marstellar and heirs of Richard Parry.
ALJ 50/300	December 13, 1883	Grantor: John and Ellen Parry Grantee: William M. Williams Granted: town lot of 33 perches for \$150.00. Indicated as lot 2 on survey by J.T.Crawford November 24, 1883.
ALJ 28/407	May 14, 1873	Grantor: Hugh E. Hughes Grantee: John Parry Granted: 10 acres of "Hawkins Chance" for \$1050.00

ALJ 28/407	May 14, 1873	Grantor: Humphrey R. and Jane H. Lloyd Grantee: John Parry Granted: 2 acres of "Hawkins Chance" with improvements, on west side of Main St. (same as ALJ 25/346) for \$1200.00
ALJ 25/346	April 11, 1871	Grantor: Richard Hughes and wife Grantee: Jane H. Lloyd (daughter) Granted: 2 parcels of "Hawkins Chance", 1). 5 acres 105 perches and 2). 2 acres 1 perch (see ALJ 9/29)
ALJ 9/30	May 29, 1857	Grantor: Richard Hughes et al. Grantee: John and Ellin Parry Granted: 8 acres 35 perches of "Hawkins Chance" for \$500.00
ALJ 9/29	May 29, 1857	Grantor: John Parry Grantee: Richard Hughes Granted: 2 parcels of "Hawkins Chance", 1). 5 acres 105 perches and 2). 2 acres 1 perch
HDG 36/424	July 27, 1850	Grantor: Ro(w)land and Anne Parry Grantee: John Parry and Richard Hughes Granted: 3 1/2 acres of "Hawkins Chance" for \$350.00
HDG 36/215	February 5, 1850	Grantor: Rowland Perry Grantee: John Perry and Richard Hughes Granted: 12 acres of "Hawkins Chance" for \$600.00
HDG 36/214 (indenture)	February 5, 1850	Grantor: Benjamin Williams Grantee: John Perry et al. Granted: 12 acres of "Hawkins Chance" for \$200.00
HDG 36/212	January 22, 1850	Grantor: Archibald A. and Nancy Hawkins Grantee: Rowland Perry (Parry) Granted: part of "Hawkins Chance" for \$850.00, acreage unknown
HDG 34/492	February 9, 1849	Grantor: Edward Proctor et al. Grantee: Archabald A. Hawkins Granted: "Hawkins Chance", being part of Thomas Hawkins landholdings; 74 acres 5 perches

HD 14/336	August 3, 1831	Grantor: Isaac Hawkins, heir to Thomas Hawkins Grantee: Thomas Proctor, heir to Edward Proctor Granted: The eighth part of land tracts "Hawkins Chance", "Williams Birthright", Mount Pleasant", and "Montgomerys Delight" . The four tracts contain 188 acres total. No mention of "eighth part" acreage.
Land Tract, Patented	After March 1774, when Harford est.	"Hawkins Chance", tract of 74 acres 5 perches granted to Thomas Hawkins. Located on the Maryland and Pennsylvania line at the north end of present day Cardiff. Divided, sold, and reworked often.

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Conversation with Mrs. Darcy Lloyd, April 11, 1995.

Conversation with Donald Robinson, April 14, 1995.

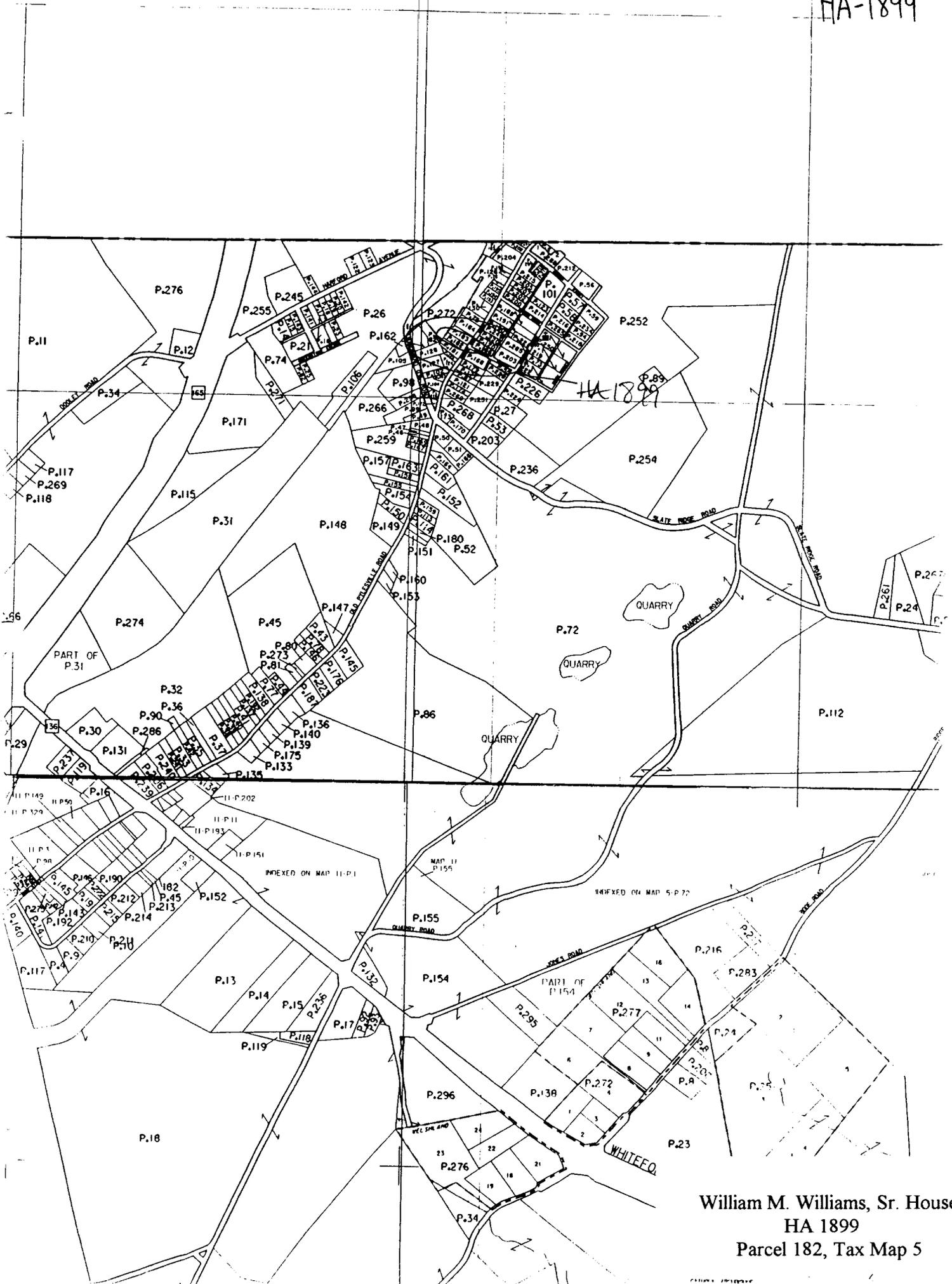
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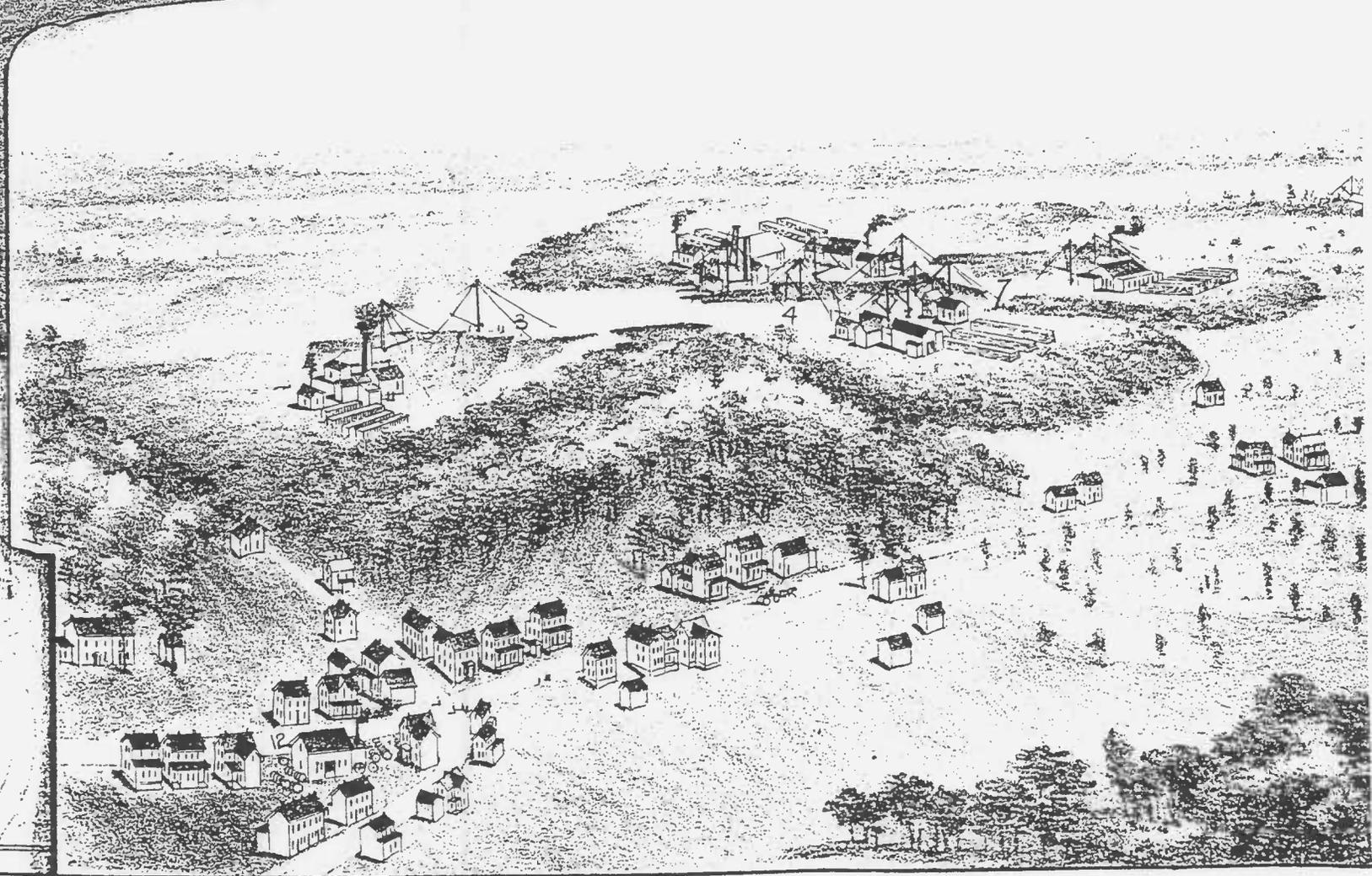


William M. Williams, Sr. House
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 Parcel 182, Tax Map 5

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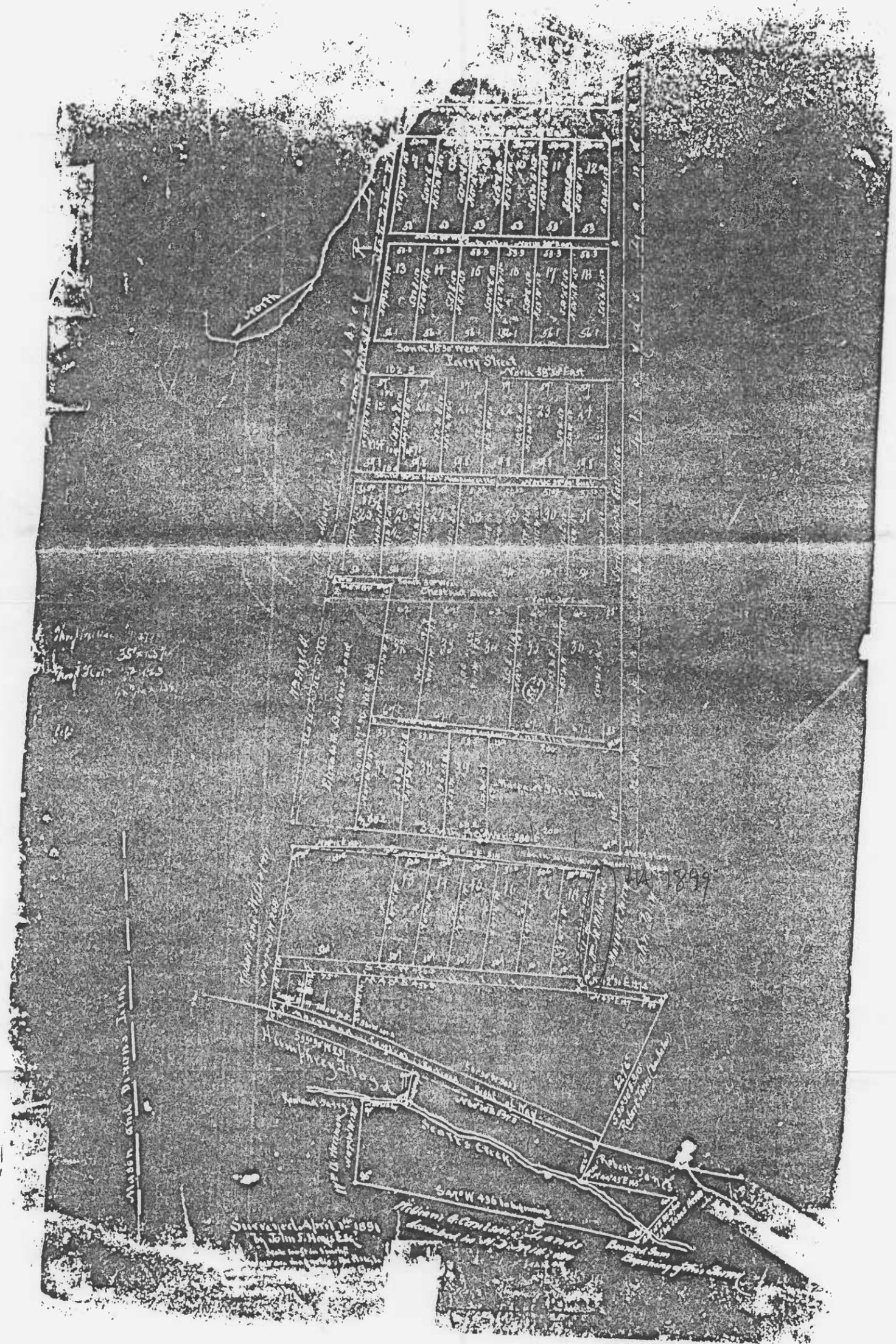
1888

1888 Delta Map Detail of
South Delta (Cardiff)
AA-1899



SOUTH DELTA & QUARRIES. MARYLAND.

PLAT of SOUTH DELTA LAND COMPANY!
1891



Imp. 277
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Imp. 300
2 1 6 3
10 2 2 2 5

Mason and Dixon's Line

Surveyed April 12 1891
by John S. Hays Esq.
State Surveyor of South
Carolina

William A. Cantelero, Jr. and
Associates
Surveyors

Robert J. Amasons
Bounded by
Boundary of this Survey

NA-1899



Five Corners 2.1 MI.
1/4-1/4 SECTION 0.6 MI.

42°30'

196

3783 1/4 NW
(FARM GROVE)

FEDERAL HILL 5.4 MI.
BUSHS CORNER 2.1 MI.

192

STREET 0.2 MI.

191

190

66000 FEET
(M.D.)

USGS Delta Quadrangle
1 : 24000
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Feb 1869

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Howard County, Maryland

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north from ... Street

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HA 1849

William P. Williams, Sr. House
Harford County, Maryland

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April 1995

Maryland State

View northward from Main Street

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HA 1799

Justice M. Williams, St. Anne

Howard Court, Maryland

Dianne Blair

Apr. 1995

Maryland State

View Southwest from Main Street

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