

S-95  
Teackle Tenement  
Princess Anne  
private

c. 1800-1810

Most recently known as Judge Tracey's house, this two-story ~~frame~~<sup>gable</sup> front frame building has shared with its across-the-street neighbor an intimate history tied to the Teackle estate. Built of different materials and on a smaller scale than the brick mansion, the side hall/parlor dwelling carries clear references to the mansion with its pedimented street facade. The two frame houses were planned as servant quarters or tenements to mark the entrance of the Teackle ~~estate~~<sup>property.</sup>

Construction of the tenements is estimated to date to the same general period as the mansion itself. The ancillary buildings of the estate were the first to be sold when Littleton Dennis Teackle experienced financial troubles. In 1848, Teackle sold the two tenement buildings to John H. King and Edward M. Wise, trading partners under the firm of King and Wise. (WP 3/294). The following year the property was transferred to George W. Dashiell (WP 4/25), who in turn sold the house and lot to William Lecates the same day (WP 4/27). It is thought William Lecates occupied this house during the construction of his new house next door, ~~a few years later~~ (S-6). For a large part of the nineteenth century, the house was the residence of Thomas J. Dixon, a prominent county merchant, until his death in 1903.

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. S-95

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DOE  yes  no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Teackle Tenement

and/or common Judge Tracey's House

## 2. Location

street & number 217 Prince William Street  not for publicationcity, town Princess Anne  vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Somerset

## 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 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	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<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 Judge Tracey

street &amp; number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset Clerk Of Court liber

street &amp; number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne state Md. 21853

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Maryland Historic Sites Inventory

date 1967  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Annapolis state Md 21401

# 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
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<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.

## Judge Tracey's house description

Judge Tracey's house stands on the southwest corner of Prince William Street and Beckford Avenue in the western residential district of Princess Anne, Somerset County, Maryland. The two-story, three-bay frame house faces north with the principal gable oriented on a north/south axis.

Built during the first decades of the nineteenth century, this gable front house was initially erected as a tenement or servant's quarters on Littleton Dennis Teackle's estate. Paired with the similar building on the north side of Prince William Street, these two buildings flanked the entrance gates to the once separate property. Since the division of the Teackle estate in 1852, this house has been enlarged as a private dwelling with additions to the south and west.

Supported by a common bond brick foundation, the side hall/parlor frame house is sheathed with asbestos siding and covered with a medium sloped asphalt shingle roof. Attached to the south end is a Victorian period addition.

The north (main) elevation is an asymmetrical three-bay facade with a side entrance and flanking two-over-two sash windows. The partially glazed door is covered by a single bay gabled stoop of early twentieth century date. The second floor is lighted by three six-over-six sash windows, and the gable end is framed by a pediment.

The east side of the house is marked by two six-over-six sash windows on each floor. A stuccoed brick stack rises from the south gable end, which is entirely covered by the Victorian period wing. The wing has a two-story bay window on the east side which is topped by a gabled roof. The three sides of the bay are lighted by two-over-two sash windows. The Victorian addition continues around the west side of the house in an ell-shape. This section is also lighted by two-over-two sash windows, and a pointed arch attic window pierces the small cross gable. The first floor of the west wing has been covered with a single-story twentieth century in-fill.

The interior has not been accessible but it appears the main house survives with some early nineteenth century woodwork and a mid nineteenth-century stair.

# 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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### Specific dates

### 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.

### Significance

Judge Tracey's house is a pivotal building on the corner of Prince William Street and Beckford Avenue. Not only is it an early nineteenth-century gable front house, but it shares with its across-the-street neighbor an intimate history tied to the Teackle estate. The two well-built dwellings marked the entrance into Littleton Dennis Teackle's estate as well as serving as tenements for the estate servants. It is not exactly certain when these buildings were erected, but architectural evidence suggests the first decades of the nineteenth century.



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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS INVENTORY S-95

COUNTY Somerset  
TOWN Princess Anne VICINITY  
STREET NO. 217 Prince William St.

2. NAME 217 Prince William St.  
DATE OR PERIOD early 19th century  
STYLE Federal  
ARCHITECT  
BUILDER

ORIGINAL OWNER  
ORIGINAL USE  
PRESENT OWNER  
PRESENT USE  
WALL CONSTRUCTION frame  
NO. OF STORIES two

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC NO

Built on the lot adjoining the original town of Princess Anne, 217 Prince William Street is a simple frame Federal structure, two storys tall with later additions on two sides. It is said that the house was built as a gate house for Littleton Dennis Teackle's Mansion. This is probably true since the ground on which it stands was not dispersed until the mid-19th century.

The house is built on a brick foundation, is three bays wide and two deep, and has its gable entrance facing Prince William Street, as does its neighbor across the street. On the opposite gable is a large brick chimney. The door is located on the east side and has a small covered porch. The other wings were built in late 19th century and are simple frame structures with a hint of the Gothic style, in the use of peaked gables on the roof. The entire assemblage is covered with abestos siding.

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered no Interior Exterior fair



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)  
INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER  
Michael Bourne  
Maryland Historical Trust

DATE OF RECORD 6/29/72

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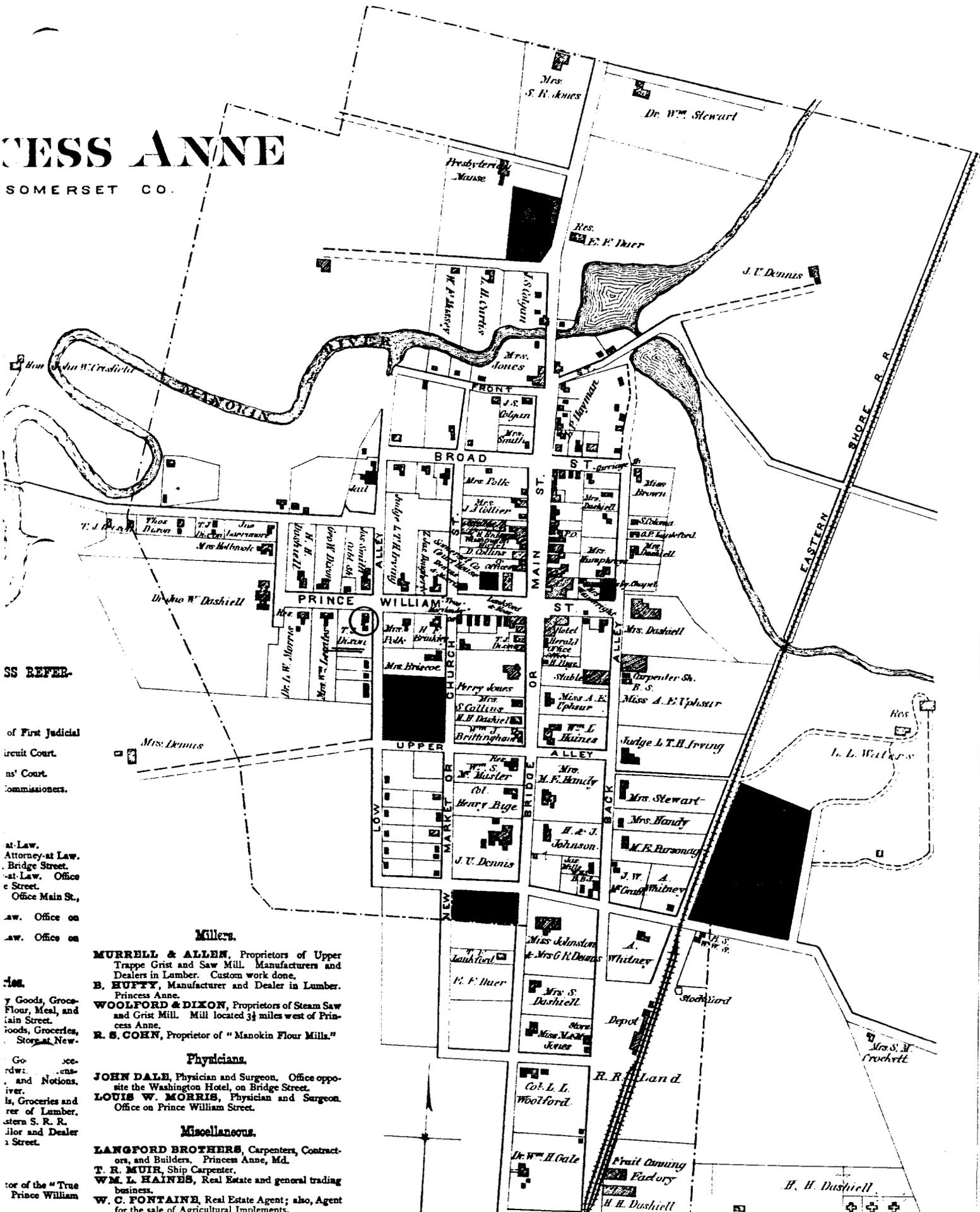
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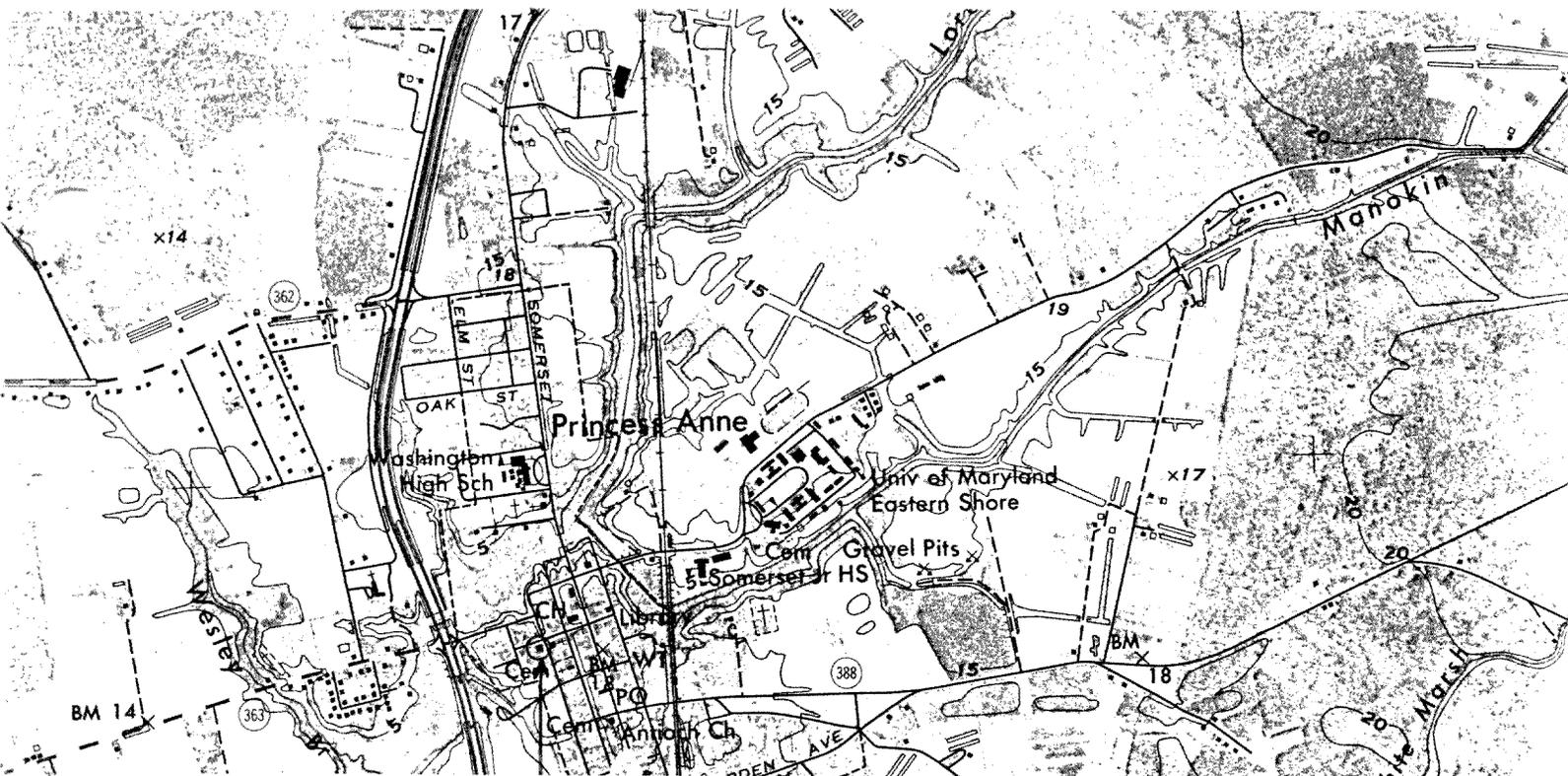
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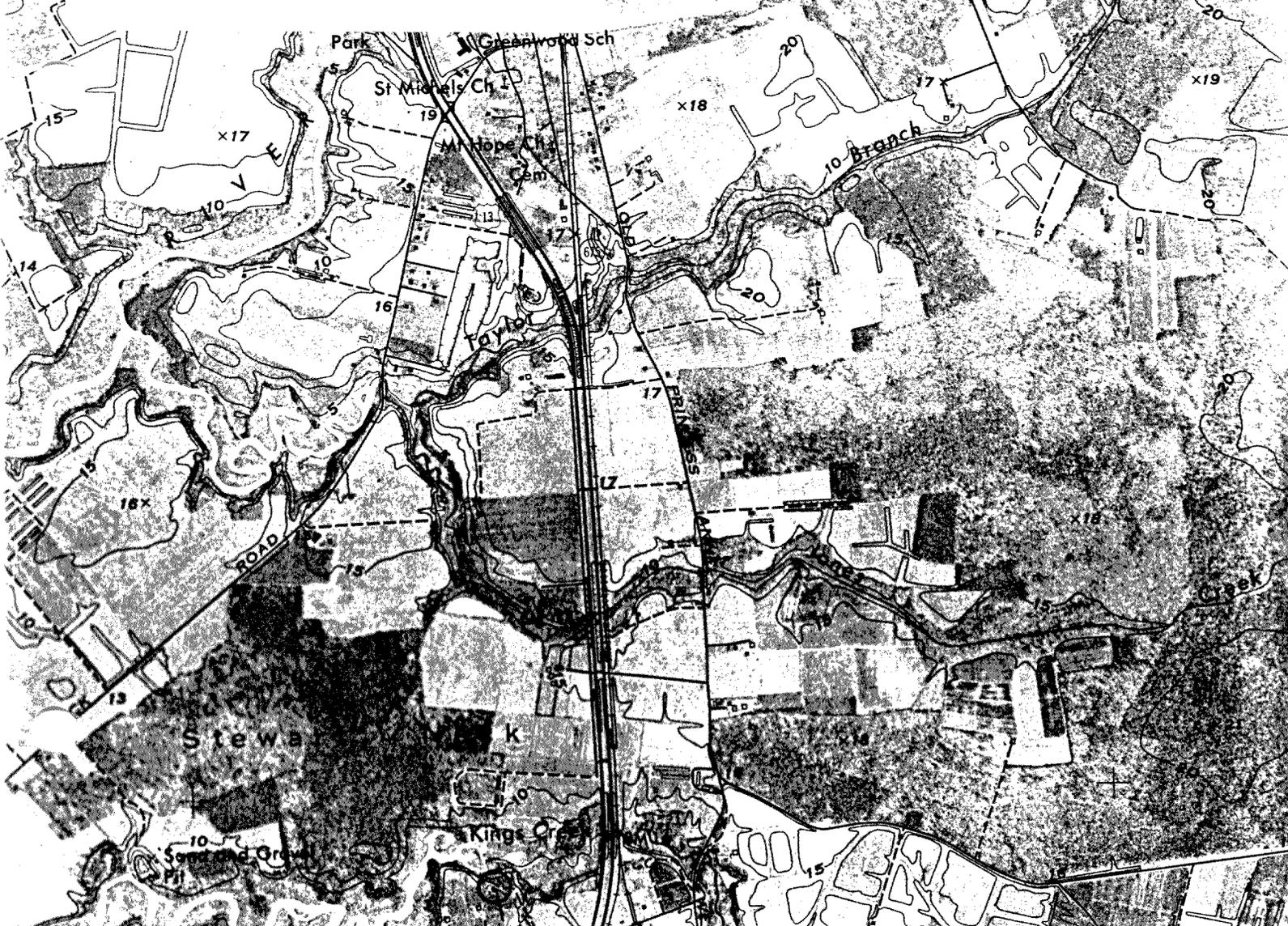
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- Millers.**
- MURRELL & ALLEN**, Proprietors of Upper Trappe Grist and Saw Mill. Manufacturers and Dealers in Lumber. Custom work done.
  - B. HUFFY**, Manufacturer and Dealer in Lumber. Princess Anne.
  - WOOLFORD & DIXON**, Proprietors of Steam Saw and Grist Mill. Mill located 3 1/2 miles west of Princess Anne.
  - R. S. COHN**, Proprietor of "Manokin Flour Mills."
- Physicians.**
- JOHN DALE**, Physician and Surgeon. Office opposite the Washington Hotel, on Bridge Street.
  - LOUIS W. MORRIS**, Physician and Surgeon. Office on Prince William Street.
- Miscellaneous.**
- LANGFORD BROTHERS**, Carpenters, Contractors, and Builders. Princess Anne, Md.
  - T. R. MUIR**, Ship Carpenter.
  - WM. L. HAINES**, Real Estate and general trading business.
  - W. C. FONTAINE**, Real Estate Agent; also, Agent for the sale of Agricultural Implements.





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 Princess Anne, MD Quadrangle, 1972





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Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.

Northwest Elevation

5/86, Paul Touart, Photographer

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