



23/75 MARSHALL BROWN HOUSE  
805 Greenbridge Rd.

DEAD 7-2002



**Marshall Brown House**  
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#23/075

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ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING: 43.93 acres, parcel P780 on tax map JV31.

Marshall Brown House  
M:23-75  
Montgomery County, MD

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
MD INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Inventory No. M-23-75

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1. Name of Property

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historic name Marshall Brown House

common/other name \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Location

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street & number 805 Greenhouse Rd Not for publication \_\_\_\_\_

city or town Brookeville vicinity \_\_\_\_\_ state Maryland code MD

county Montgomery code \_\_\_\_\_ zip code 20833

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing		Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>		buildings
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>		sites
<u>      </u>	<u>1</u>		structures
<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>		objects
<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>		Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes        Name of Listing \_\_\_\_\_ No   X

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6. Function or Use  
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: DOMESTIC Sub: Single Dwelling

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7. Description  
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Other

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation stone  
roof cross gable: asphalt shingles  
walls wood frame: asbestos shingles  
other \_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance  
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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Period of Significance circa 1879  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Significant Dates circa 1879  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)  
\_\_\_\_\_

Cultural Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Architect/Builder \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

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(Cite the books, articles, legal records, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

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10. Geographical Data  
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Acreage of Property 43.67 acres

**Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)**

The Marshall Brown property occupies Parcel 780 on Tax Map JV of Montgomery County, Maryland.

**Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)**

These boundaries have been associated with the property since the construction of the Marshall Brown House by 1879.

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11. Form Prepared By  
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name/title Kimberly Williams/Michele Naru, Architectural Historians  
organization M-NCPPC date January 20, 1999  
street & number 8787 Georgia Avenue telephone 301/563-3403  
city or town Silver Spring state MD zip code 20910  
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12. Property Owner  
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name Robert T. Lyon and Shahin Bagheri c/o Catoctin Vineyards  
street & number 805 Greenbridge Road telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
city or town Brookeville, MD state MD zip code 20729  
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MARYLAND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

CONTINUATION SHEET

Section 7 Page 1

Inventory No. M-23-75

Marshall Brown House

name of property

Montgomery County, MD

county and state

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**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION**

The Marshall Brown House is a 2-1/2-story, five-bay frame structure with a two-story rear ell featuring a double-story sleeping porch. Based upon its architecture, the house appears to be primarily a product of the late 19th century; however, archival evidence indicates that a two-story dwelling stood on the property in 1859, and, the two-story rear ell with a double-story porch, was erected in 1867.<sup>1</sup> Based upon this evidence, it seems likely that the dwelling was substantially modified, or rebuilt during the late 19th century on the original stone foundation and using the massive stone end chimney.

Today, the dwelling sits upon a raised stone foundation and is covered with a low-pitched gable roof clad with asphalt shingles and featuring a front projecting gable. The frame walls are clad with asbestos shingles. Three chimneys project from the roof line, including one exterior end chimney of rubble stone on the east elevation; an inside end chimney of brick on the west; and an inside end chimney of brick on the north end of the rear ell. A single-story, three-bay porch extends across the front of the house.

Exterior:

The south elevation is divided into five bays consisting on the first story of a central entry and flanking windows, and on the second story of five windows. All of the windows feature the original 2/2 wood sash and louvered shutters, many of which are missing louvers. The central entry features a five-paneled wood

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<sup>1</sup> Based upon a fire insurance policy on the property with the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery County, there was a 1-1/2-story frame house on the property in 1857 valued at \$500.00. Two years later, in 1859, the house was enlarged to two stories and its value increased to \$1200.00. Then, in 1867, the back building (kitchen) was raised to two stories, and the double-story porch was added.

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Marshall Brown House

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door with a narrow, three-light transom above and narrow side panels and sidelights to either side.

The projecting gable at the attic level is lit by a small, segmental arched, four-light wood casement window. The front porch, which extends the full width of the facade, is set upon a raised pier foundation, obscured by contemporary trellis work. Four square wood porch pillars support the flat porch roof, while a flat, scroll-sawn balustrade spans the columns. The central bay leading to the entry lacks steps which undoubtedly once led to the porch and the front door.

The east elevation, clad with asbestos shingles, has no openings.

The west elevation features a substantial, rubble stone chimney on center. The base of the chimney and this wall are completely overgrown with vegetation and not visible.

The north elevation includes two exposed bays of the five-bay main block of the house and the projecting, two-bay deep rear ell. The exposed bays of the main block have two 2/2 windows on the second story and one 2/2 window on the east end of the first story. A small frame shed, built into the corner of the L-shaped house, covers the inside bay of the main block.

Rear Ell:

The rear ell projects from the north elevation of the main block and appears to have been an addition to it.<sup>2</sup> The ell extends three bays deep and features a double-story sleeping porch on the east elevation. The ell is covered with a gable roof with a catslide or shed extension extending over the double-story porch. The porch, somewhat makeshift and altered since its original construction, consists of an open porch on the first story, featuring square wood posts, and a screened-in second story (all screens are missing) with a frame balustrade, clad with asbestos shingles. Two 6/6 windows and single door openings are found on both levels of the porch.

The west elevation of the ell has two 6/6 windows on both the first and second stories, placed almost as a pair in the end bay, away from the first-story corner shed. The north end of the ell has a single door opening on the first story.

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<sup>2</sup> Because of the heavy vegetation around the base of the rear ell and because of the shed porch at the intersection of the main block and rear ell, it was not possible to examine the foundation of the ell and see how it is joined to the foundation of the main block. However, based upon the 6/6 windows, it appears that the ell was added at a later date.

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Montgomery County, MD

county and state

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**OUTBUILDINGS:**

Located to the north of the house is a gable-roofed garage and equipment shed, both in deteriorating condition, and thus considered non-contributing. Just east of these is a non-contributing, two-story concrete block structure housing the Catoctin Vineyards winery. The building was built in the 1970s and designed by Tom Provenza, winery owner and operator of Catoctin Vineyards. The building contains a kitchen, office, tasting room and winery area.

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**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

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Historic Context:

The property was originally part of the large tracts of "Gitting's Ha Ha," "Gray's Delight," "Resurvey of Leeks Lot," "Addition to Brooke's Grove," "St. George that Saw the Wolf," "Gray's Choice," and "Upland." Marshall Brown acquired the property on which the house sits from his father, William Brown of J. William Brown was the son of John Brown, a Montgomery County land owner (born circa 1750) who owned a plantation on the Patuxent River near present-day Ednor Road and Brown's Bridge.<sup>1</sup>

John Brown had four sons, Joshua, William, Elisha and Charles. At his death in 1808, John divided his land amongst his wife and sons, giving William and Elisha, "that tract and parcel of land where both now live, to be equally divided between them and their Heirs forever." It is not clear when Marshall Brown acquired the property from his father William; however, in 1857, Marshall Brown took out a fire insurance policy on his house, then described as a "1-1/2-story frame Dwelling, 24 x 17. Kitchen, one-story, (new) adjoining 17 by 15 feet, 3 rooms and stairway on the first floor, 2 rooms and passage in second floor, 2 chimneys and 2 fireplaces..."<sup>2</sup> The dwelling was valued at \$500 and insured for \$375.00. Two years later, Marshall Brown increased the fire insurance on his house, "the same having been enlarged and improved." His new house stood two full stories and its estimated

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<sup>1</sup> The original Brown's Bridge which crosses the Patuxent River at the Montgomery-Howard County border was built by John Brown's first son, Charles and referred to in his will.

<sup>2</sup> Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery County, Policy # 1716.

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Section 8 Page 2

James H. Brown House  
name of property  
Brookville, Maryland  
county and state

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value increased from 4500 to \$1,200.<sup>3</sup> In 1867, Marshall Brown again increased his policy, this time for improvements to the kitchen, which "has been raised a story making it two stories and containing two additional rooms; there has also been added to the back building a double porch about 9 by 17 feet covered with gravel Roof."<sup>4</sup> The house is clearly shown with Marshall Brown's name on it on the G.M. Hopkins *Atlas of Montgomery County* (1879).

In 1883, Marshall Brown and his wife conveyed the property to their son, William E. Brown. William E. Brown retained ownership of the property until his death in 1932, after which point the property passed out of Brown family hands. During the next half-century, the property changed hands several times before being purchased by Tom Provenza who opened Catoctin Vineyards, a vineyard and winery on the property. Provenza cultivated fifteen acres of the land with 13,000 grape vines that were produced into dry Batojola red, white and rose table wines. Provenza built the cinder block winery and pond, used for the spaying operations which take place weekly from April to the end of the summer harvest time.

In 1992, Thomas Provenza sold the property to Robert T. Lyon and Shahin Bagheri, who continue to operate Catoctin Vineyards.

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<sup>3</sup> Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery County, Policy # 1716 (Increase).

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**HISTORIC CONTEXT:**  
**Geographic Organization:** Western Shore

**Chronological/Development Period (s):** Industrial/Urban Dominance

**Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):**

**RESOURCE TYPE(S)**

**Category:** Building  
**Historic Environment:** Rural  
**Historic Function (s):** Dwelling  
**Known Design Source:** Unknown

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**CHAIN OF TITLE:**

March 1, 1883                      Marshall Brown and wife conveyed the property to William E. Brown, their son. Liber 214 Folio 219.

December 16, 1925                 Mortgage is secured with Federal land Bank of Baltimore for William E. Brown and Lavinia Brown, wife. Liber 391 Folio 94.

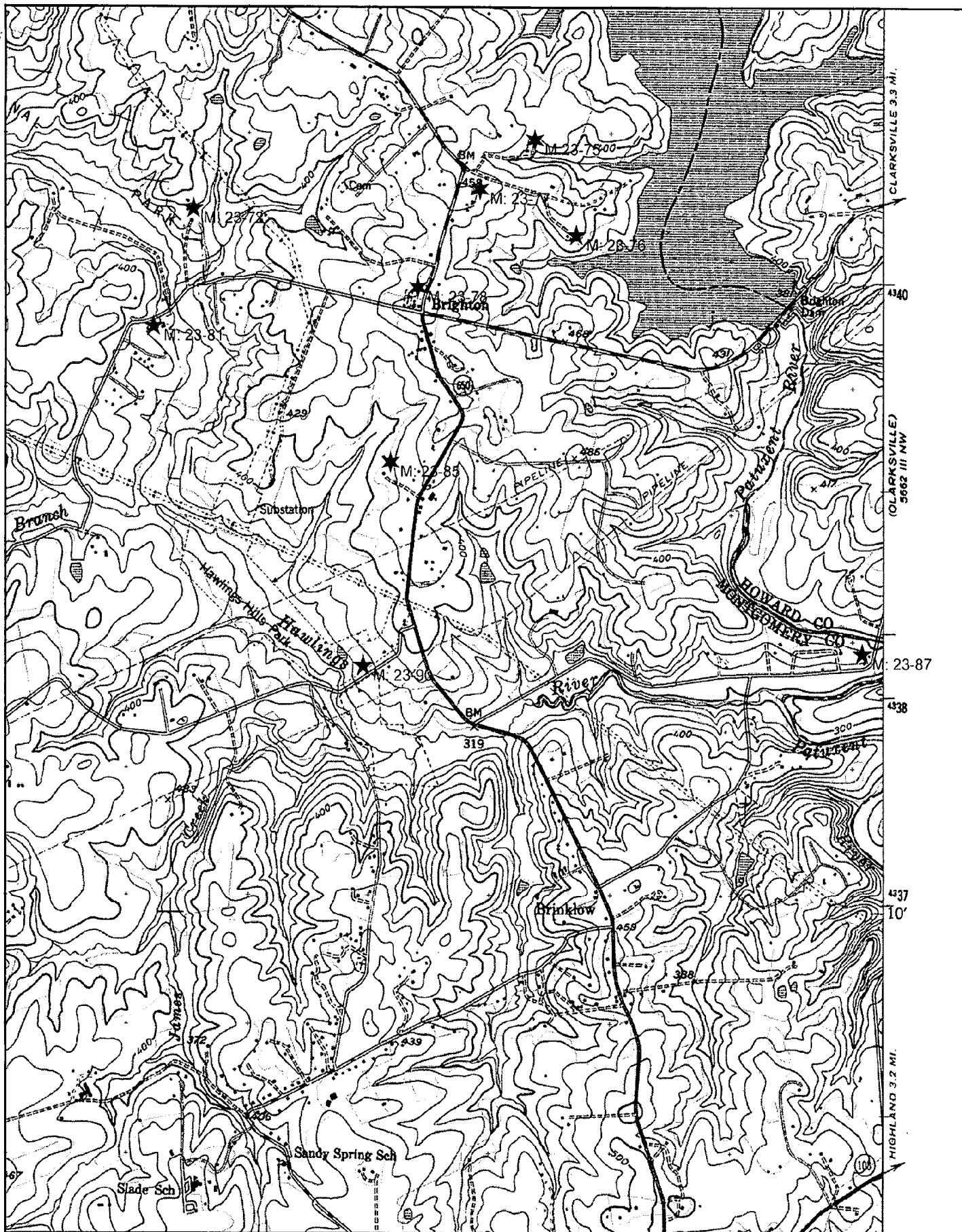
1932                                 William E. Brown dies.

April 23, 1938                     Edwin A. Merritt buys property from Gilbert S. Seek and Edith B Seek, wife. This property designated as parts of tracts "Gitting's Ha Ha", "Gray's Delight", "Resurvey of Leeks lot", "Addition to Brook's Grove", "St. George that saw the Wolf", "Grays Choice", and "Upland". Contains 182 acres. Also designated as part of "Gray's Choice" and "Upland" and all of the property identified as Parcel A in the estate of William Brown of J. Contains 54 acres. Liber 699 Folio 51.

August 27, 1945                    Edwin A. Merritt and Dessa R. Merritt sell property to Louis F. Becraft and Mary C. Becraft. Liber 980 Folio 177.

June 15, 1992                     Thomas J. Provenza and Barbara G. Provenza, wife sold the property to Robert T. Lyon and Shahin Bagheri. Liber 10946 Folio 36.

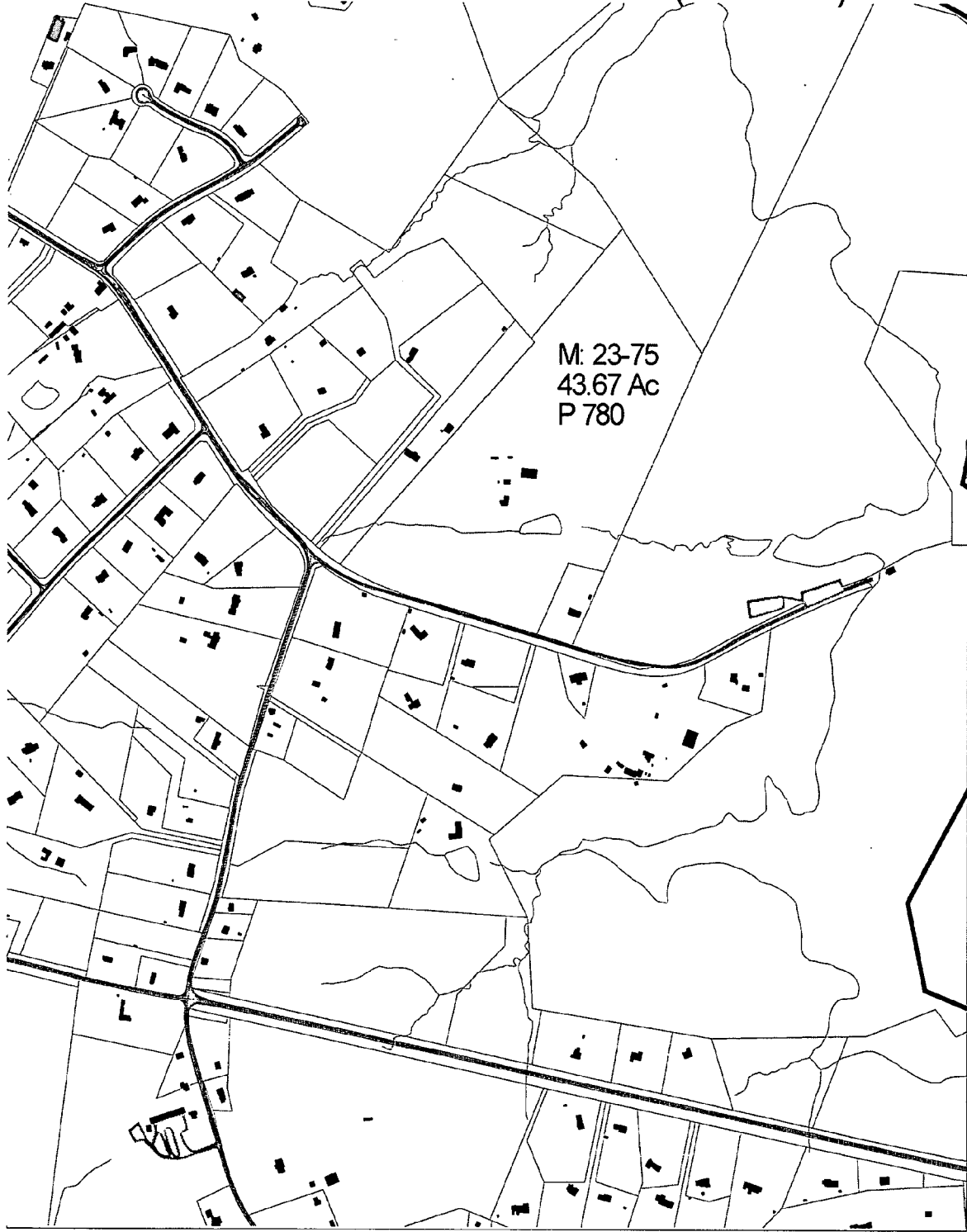




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 Caption: MARSHALL BROWN HOUSE (M: 23-75)  
 805 Greenbridge Rd

# MARSHALL BROWN HOUSE (M: 23-75)



M: 23-75  
43.67 Ac  
P 780

Casual User Application



MONTGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARK AND PLANNING  
THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION  
8787 Georgia Avenue - Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760

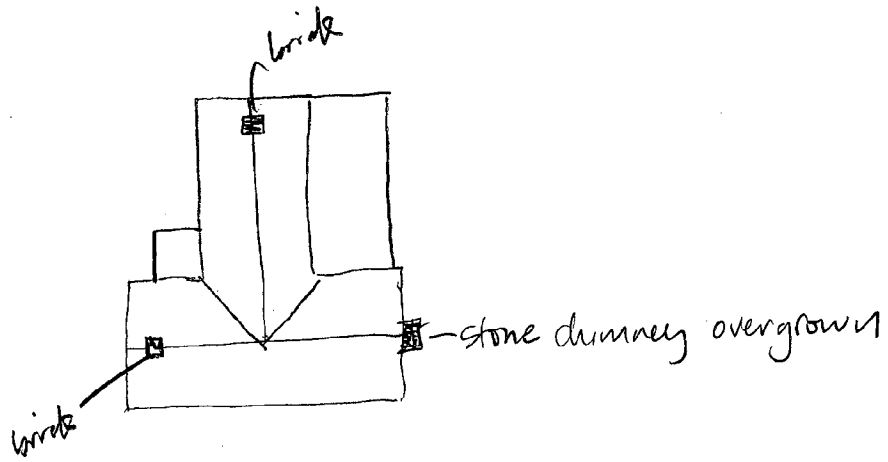
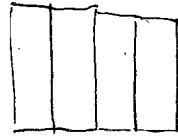


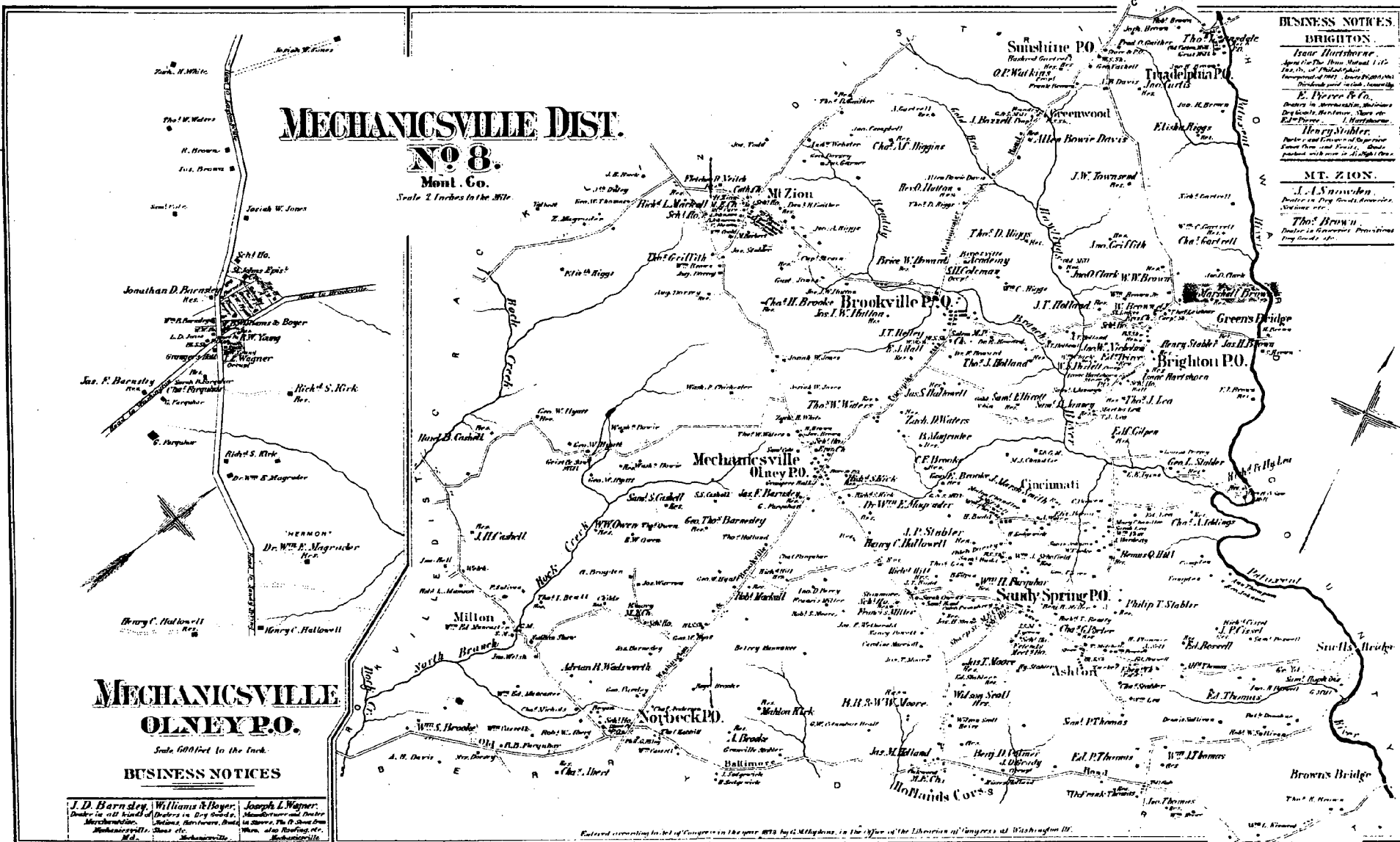
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MARSHALL BROWN HOUSE  
23/75

Catoctin Vineyards





**MECHANICSVILLE DIST. No. 8.**  
 Mont. Co.  
 Scale 2 inches to the Mile

**MECHANICSVILLE OLNEY P.O.**  
 Scale 600 feet to the inch.  
**BUSINESS NOTICES**

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**BRIGHTON**  
 Isaac Hartman  
 Agent for the Stone, Mutual Life, &c. Co. of Philadelphia  
 Incorporated 1867. Assets \$1,000,000  
 Dividends paid in cash quarterly  
 E. Byers & Co.  
 Dealers in Merchandise, Stationery, Dry Goods, Hardware, &c. &c.  
 Ed. P. Thomas  
 I. K. Hartman  
**MT. ZION**  
 J. A. Sawchenko  
 Dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, &c.  
 Thomas Brown  
 Dealer in Groceries, Provision, Dry Goods, &c.

J. D. Barnard, Williams & Boyer, Joseph L. Wagner  
 Dealer in all kinds of Orders in Dry Goods, Merchandise, Stationery, Hardware, &c. &c.  
 Mechanicsville, Md.

Entered according to Act of Congress in the year 1879 by G. M. Hopkins, in the Office of the Librarian of Congress at Washington D.C.

Hopkins, G.M., comp. Atlas of Fifteen Miles around Washington, including the County of Montgomery, Maryland, 1879. Reprint. Rockville, MD.: Montgomery County Historical Society, 1975.





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MARSHALL BROWN HOUSE  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD

KIMBERLY P. WILLIAMS

OCTOBER 26, 1998

MARYLAND SHPO

SOUTH ELEVATION VIEW LOOKING NORTH

1 of 2





1928

23-75  
MARSHALL BROWN HOUSE  
MONTGOMERY CO., MD  
KIMBERLY P. WILLIAMS  
OCTOBER 26, 1998  
MARYLAND SHPO  
NORTH ELEVATION VIEW LOOKING SOUTH  
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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Marshall Brown House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Green's Bridge Rd. at New Hampshire Ave. extended

CITY, TOWN

Brookeville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Pizza Properties

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**57 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED    DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Was not seen at time of survey. Apparently is a 19th-Cen., two-story frame farmhouse.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 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
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

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SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Members of the Brown family were among the first to settle in this area. The former Green's Bridge crossing, over the Patuxent River, dates back to the mid-18th Cen. in public records.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPC

DATE

1975

STREET & NUMBER

8787 Georgia Ave.

TELEPHONE

589-1480

CITY OR TOWN

Silver Spring

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438



LOCATIONAL ATLAS HISTORICAL SURVEY OF 400 RESOURCES  
 SURVEY FORM  
 ROBINSON & ASSOCIATES, SUMMER 1989

PRINCIPAL BUILDING

OUTBUILDINGS:

HISTORIC NAME: Marshall Brown House

YES  NO  
 (non-contributin  
 barn)

COMMON NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: Green Bridge Road at New Hampshire Avenue

SITE NUMBER: 23/75 ATLAS MAP: 10

ATLAS COORDINATES: B-12

TAX MAP: JV

	EXCELLENT	VERY GOOD	FAIR	POOR	N/A	UNKNOWN
INTEGRITY*			XX			
ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE			XX			
ASSOCIATIVE HISTORY			XX			

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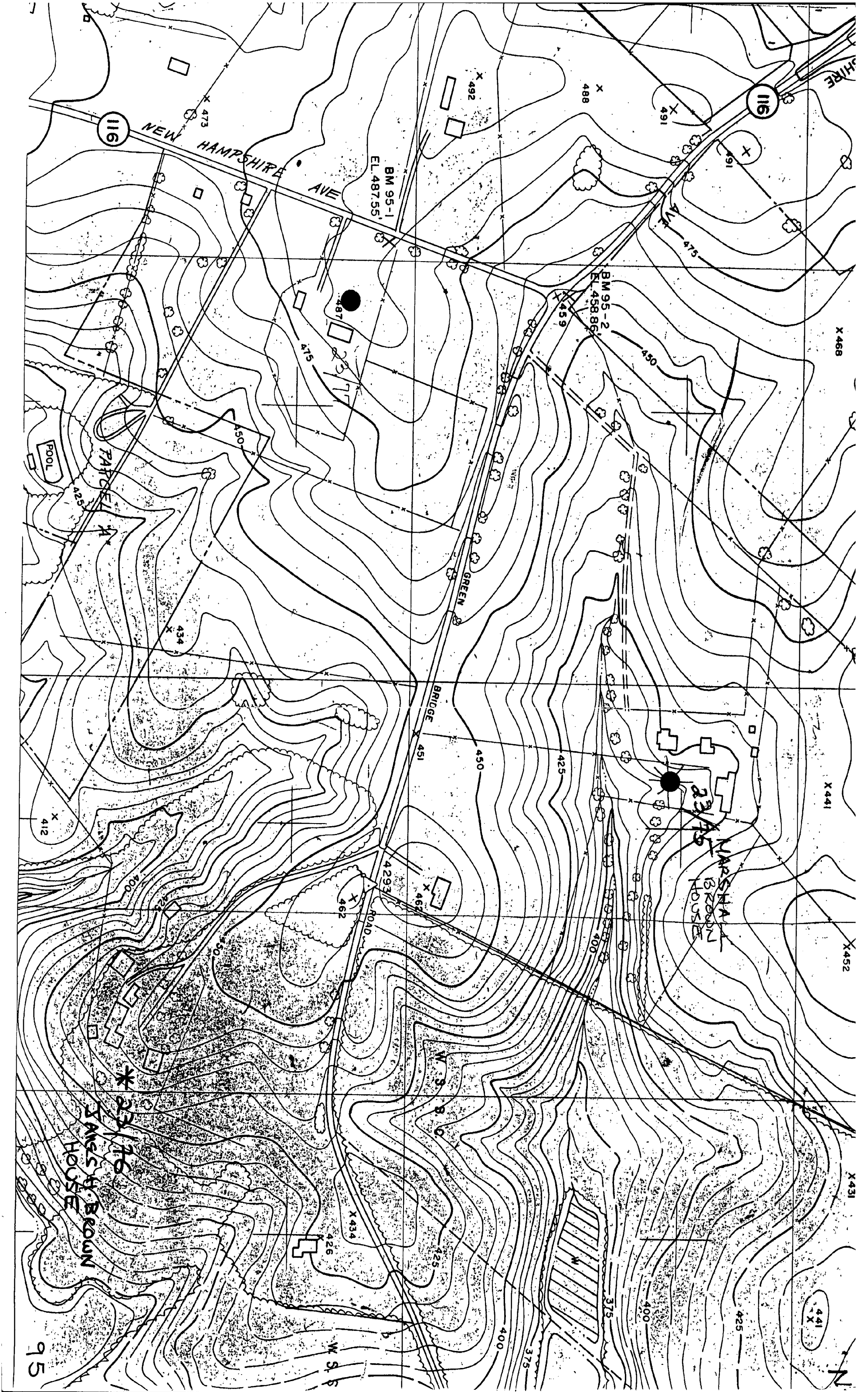
ASSIGNED CATEGORY: I II III **IV** V VI  
 (See reverse side  
 for explanation.)

NOTES: This five-bay farmhouse is covered in asbestos siding.  
 The rear ell is almost completely concealed by ivy.  
 There is one frame shed and a newer barn on the  
 property (which serves as a commercial winery).

\*Integrity is defined as the maintenance of original features and/or lack of substantial alteration to the resource.

Category Explanation:

- I. Outstanding resource architecturally and/or historically. Most resources in Category I either maintain the highest level of integrity or are invaluable as ruinous evidence of former significant structures. Should be evaluated immediately for Master Plan designation.**
- II. Very good resource architecturally and/or historically. Most resources in Category II maintain their basic integrity. Should be evaluated promptly for Master Plan designation.**
- III. Good resource architecturally and/or historically. Some resources in Category III have a diminished level of integrity. Should be evaluated for Master Plan designation, but with lower priority.**
- IV. Marginal resource. Falls into one or more of the following categories: 1) severely deteriorated, 2) heavily altered, 3) architectural character not strong, 4) historical significance not apparent, 5) only typical of a large number of comparable resources. Lowest priority for evaluation for Master Plan designation.**
- V. Resource which is either demolished or which could not be located based on information given on survey form. Remove demolished structures from Locational Atlas and, if after further study the resources not located to date cannot be located, remove from Locational Atlas.**
- VI. Resource was inaccessible at time of survey.**



ANNAPOLIS INTENSIVE SURVEY - EXTERIOR FORM

ADDRESS: Calochin Vineyard house 774-2310 (# on sign)

Architectural Style: Italianate Date of Construction: 1890?

Type of Resource: Number of Stories: 2 1/2

gable window is 4-light casement, segmental arch

Component	#	Type/Form	Material	Treatment
Foundation		solid/raised	stone	
Struc. System		frame	asbestos shingles	
Chimney	2	ext. end	stone	
Roof		crown gable		
Porch				
Cornice				

Windows:

Elevation/story	#	Type/lights	Surrounds/sills
South/1+2	4	2 1/2	
North/1+2	2	2 1/2 - no window on 1st floor where shed is.	

Doors:

Location	#	Type/material	Surrounds/lintel
Center		5-light w/ side panels + side lights	

Rear ell

- East elev. has 2 windows on 1<sup>st</sup> + 2<sup>nd</sup> story 6/6
- door only on end wall
- double-story porch has 6/6 windows on 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> floor w/ doors in bay closest to main block
- exposed bay of main block has 2/2 windows

Marshall Brown House

23/75

Marshall Brown was the son of William Brown  
of J

Marshall Brown House

1883, Mar. 1

Lib. 214 folio 219

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Marshall Brown House

1925, Dec. 16

Lib. 391 folio 94

Mortgage secured with Federal Land Bank  
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and Lavinia Brown his wife  
mortgages

being same property described in Lib 214  
folio 219

Marshall Brown House

William E. Brown died 1932

Marshall Brown House

1938 April 23

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Marshall Brown House

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containing 182 acres



Marshall Brown House

Louis F. Beecraft died 1993

# Maryland's Promising Wine Industry

ML Magazine

Fall 1978

Marshall Brownlee

#23-75

(Provenza Vineyards)

By TAYLOR WALSH

So, you thought you knew about winemaking? Jolly celebrants sloshing around in large wooden vats, crushing juicy grapes between their toes? Well, discard those visions; shift the mind's eye to the rolling Piedmont in western Maryland, to Westminster, and Montbray Wine Cellars.

It is spring 1977, and Hamilton Mowbray, who has tinkered with grapes and produced wines for thirty years, goes to bed with an extra blanket. The temperature is due to drop to 35°, not unusual for the high country in spring. He knows the budding grapevines in his vineyard will shiver, but will manage the night.

In the morning when Mowbray awakes there is frost on the window. The temperature plummeted overnight to 25°. Eighty-five percent of his 1977 crop has been killed. He has been devastated by one of those unmanageable elements, weather, which makes winemaking one of the world's most precarious industries. There are other uncontrollable elements, diseases, insects, and birds, some that have been peculiar only to this region.

Even if Mowbray had awakened to 70° sunshine, harvested a lush crop in August, and bottled and labeled a brilliant wine the next year, his product would have moved slowly into the marketplace. For example, when a visitor came, (as thousands do every summer to Maryland wineries) and asked to purchase some wine, Mowbray could, by law, sell him only one bottle of each of his four wines, per year. To insure that this one-label-per-person-per-year stipulation is enforced, the winery must retain for the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Division of the State Treasury Comptroller's Office a list of all such purchases.

For Maryland vintners it has been a maddening situation. Some have been known to put the same wine in bottles with differer: labels, just to meet the requirement that "one label" only can be sold from the winery.

Until last April, some Maryland winemakers were on the verge of quitting the State as a marketplace, believing that

Maryland's retail beverage distributors wanted to restrict the growth of locally-produced wines. It certainly seemed so. Hadn't the distributors effectively backed legislation that allowed only one-bottle-per-label-per-customer-per-year to be sold from any winery?

Retailers, on the other hand, maintained that there simply is no demand for wines produced in Maryland. Vintners cringe at this and counter with: the only real way to build up a wine's demand and increase its share of the market is by word of mouth, which can be accomplished by unlimited sales at wineries on weekends when people come to visit. Growers maintain the industry never had a chance to establish the foundation for the kind of popular recognition that leads to increased demand from wine and cheese shop customers.

Not that Maryland wine is mediocre; much of it has been compared favorably with the good wine of France. There simply has not been much of it. This fall, the harvests of seven winemakers, Boordy Vineyards in Riderwood, Provenza in Brookeville, Montbray and Bon Spuronza in Westminster, Berrywine in Mt. Airy, Byrd in Myersville, and Ziem in Fairplay, will produce less than 20,000 gallons of wine. This is a miniscule quantity in the sea of nearly 500 million gallons United States' growers will produce this year. (Maryland has less than 150 acres given to commercial grape production. California alone has nearly 1/2 a million acres of vineyards.) States like Arkansas and Michigan will produce almost 2 million gallons each. Today, American appreciation for wine is growing rapidly, especially in such suburban metropolitan areas as Baltimore and Washington. Wine books, wine racks, wine gizmos, wine-making kits, and wine-tasting tours are sprouting everywhere. Everything about wine has been on the increase, it seems, except its production in Maryland.

Last April, however, the plight on the State's vintners was substantially relieved. Two bills that will permit wineries in Carroll and Frederick counties to sell their products



on Sundays, and, most importantly, in unlimited quantities, were approved by the legislature and signed into law. If Maryland is ever to become a wine producing state of any proportions, which all agree is possible and feasible, the essential first step has been made.

To date, it has been no jolly business. Wine production began in Maryland six years after Prohibition ended. Philip Wagner, returning from a stint in London for *The Baltimore Sun* (that he would later edit and publish), collected the root stocks he had ordered from France when they arrived in the port of Baltimore. These were French hybrid plants, developed in France, by crossing the hardier, disease-resistant roots of the American grapevines, *Vitis labrusca*, with the more delicate fine wine vines of France, *Vitis vinifera*. Attempts to introduce native French grapes to America had failed consistently since colonial times. Wagner, whose work with hybridization has gained him worldwide renown, saw the hybrids as the answer for quality grapes for wine in the East. His distribution of them to winemakers in eastern America veritably provided the spine for the wine industry there. (The *V. vinifera* type grape does grow well and prolifically west of the Rockies, in California and Washington State.) Wagner says that most of the hybrids growing in the East can

RIGHT Larry Liworth, manager at Byrd Vineyards in Frederick County, cluster thins some of his vines. (Photo by Kurt Holter) LOWLER RIGHT: Bret Byrd, owner, inspects his Chardonnay vines, whose grapes make a fine, white-burgundy wine. (Photo by Kurt Holter) BELOW: John Paul, manager at Provenza Vineyards in Montgomery County, pours freshly picked white grapes into a crusher-stemmer machine. (Photo by Taylor Walsh) OPPOSITE: Tours are held at most vineyards, usually by reservation only. Here, John Paul displays a sample of Batojolo Red, 1976 vintage, produced at Provenza. (Photo by Taylor Walsh)





When Maryland wine growers meet to hear speakers from the University of Maryland Extension Service talk on grape culture, they bring samples of their own products and enjoy a tasting session to the accompaniment of brown-bagged lunches. (Photo by Al Dangger)

be traced back to his originals, which have been duly known as his "Johnny Appleseed effect." The giant Taylor Winery in New York State has planted as many as 50 acres of Wagner hybrids per year.

Philip and Jocelyn Wagner hold forth from their Boordy Vineyard in Riderwood. Ironically, Baltimore County and Boordy are not included in last spring's legislation. This does not particularly bother Wagner, who decided long ago to limit his production and focus his work on developing American-French hybrid varieties of grapes. Besides, there is not much room to expand anywhere inside the Baltimore Beltway where Boordy is located.

The Wagners have been producing highly-regarded wines for years. He has authored a number of books, been named an *officier* in the French *Ordre du Merite Agricole*, one of a handful of Americans so honored, and generally carved a place for himself in the history of American winemaking. (Several years ago Hamilton Mowbray was awarded the *Croix de Chevalier* by this august group. French officials who visited his winery and sampled his wine told him he was making better wine from one variety of grape than they themselves were making, the ultimate compliment.)

The Wagners produce Maryland red, white, and rosé wines from grapes grown at their Monkton farm and bought from other grape growers, of which there are several in the State. Maryland wineries which produce wines solely from grapes grown in-state, as most do, are allowed certain privileges of license, including the benefits of the new legislation. Recently, the Wagners produced a wine made exclusively from grapes grown at Cedar Point near Easton, on the Eastern Shore.

These were the result of the work of John Ripley and Peter Black, who had planted 5 acres in grapes there in 1973 with the assistance of the University of Maryland. When harvested, the grapes were offered to Wagner who thought them unique enough to be used exclusively for wine. (Most wines produced locally are blends of

a winery's own and other Maryland grapes.) Wagner reported that the resulting wine was reminiscent of the Beaujolais produced in the Loire Valley in France and that it was "very, very good." Such lavish praise delighted Ripley and Black, whose 5 acres had once produced only tobacco.

The Eastern Shore presents a different set of problems for grape-growing than do the rolling hills of western Maryland where the bulk of local grape-growing is done. Wagner compares it to the Medoc region in France, known for its Bordeaux wines. Both are low, sandy, and covered with scrub pine. Both are peninsulas, subject to on-shore and offshore breezes. The single difference, and a big one, is the weather which comes in off the Atlantic and which differs considerably from that blowing westerly from the Chesapeake. Though similar, western Maryland and Eastern Shore growers produce different-tasting wines from the same grape.

Of the hundreds of varieties of grapes, Maryland vintners tend to choose those which produce dry table wines (wines having 11 to 14 per cent alcohol content). Almost all use French-hybrid varieties. The *V. vinifera* group, which include the finest wine grapes, Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinot Noir, Zinfandel, and Riesling, had been pronounced unsuited for commercial growing in Maryland, but several growers now believe them to be the wave of the future in the Maryland area. Bret Byrd has planted twelve of his 42 acres with *V. vinifera*, and is banking his winemaking future on its success, as is Ira Ross of Bon Spurtonza Vineyards. Most Maryland growers, however, stay clear of the *V. vinifera* variety, susceptible as it is to cold and disease.

But all winemaking is a calculated risk. In a pamphlet advising new growers about choosing soils, grape varieties, and methods, the University of Maryland's Dr. Richard Funt notes that, "The establishment of an acre of grapes could cost \$3,000 (not including land) before any fruit is harvested." Most winemakers say that is conservative.

A new vintner is looking down a ten-year road of expenditure without return. After planting, young vines require five years to mature before the first harvesting. Another five years is inevitable before wine production can even begin to reach the break-even point. All this assumes there are no killing blights or frosts, such as that experienced at Montbray.

Tom Provenza, who cultivates 15 of the 44 acres he owns in Brookeville, says each of his 13,000 vines will be visited three to four times during the growing season, for pruning, tying, and finally for harvesting.

Provenza Vineyard's Brookeville acreage is a picturesque escape from the creeping Montgomery County suburbia that surrounds it. An old, tree-shaded white clapboard house overlooks a pond and the winery that Tom Provenza designed himself. Unlike other wineries in the State that grew out of old barns, Provenza is the first to have designed a winery from the ground up. The cinderblock building contains a kitchen, office, tasting room, and winery area. Here Provenza chooses his moments to produce dry Batojolo red, white, and rosé table wines. Outside, long rows of wire trellises carry his vines up and down the slopes of his land. The pond was installed to facilitate spraying operations which must be repeated weekly from April until just before harvest at the end of summer.

The harvest is a special time in the wine-making process. All the preparation, the coddling of grapes, the license fees, and bureaucratic tangles are forgotten in the rush to bring in the ripened grapes. At Provenza, it is a time for neighborhood kids to earn \$3 an hour plucking bunches of white and deep black grapes from vines and loading them into milk crates for transfer back to the winery. There, the grapes are crushed and the stems removed. The juice is transferred to the large vats sitting along one wall. The skins are included with the red wine to give it color, and remain in the vats during the first few weeks of fermentation. Later, the red and white wines will be drained off into smaller containers, a proc-

ess called "racking," to remove the sediment. The unwanted but inevitable guests at harvest are birds, bees, and fruit flies drawn to the sweet juices. If not managed properly, they can do severe damage to a crop.

Speed is an essential ingredient, for ripened grapes should not be allowed to remain on the vines or to wait too long before being poured into the crushing machine. It is an incongruous time in the life of the grape, the only burst of frenzied activity in a process that is as Philip Wagner says, "The slowest business in the world."

"Wine is always a living thing," Tom Provenza insists. "It is like having a baby. There are labor pains at the harvest, bringing the grapes in at just the right moment. Then you must keep the wine healthy; must keep it living and healthy."

The Maryland wine industry, which was not so healthy until last April, is now in a position to establish what Jack Aellen of Berrywine Plantations in Frederick County calls "the foundation of recognition essential to the potential limits of the State's winemaking." Aellen, one of those instrumental in getting the new legislation passed, is certain that the sale of wines on summer weekends can begin to give Maryland wineries the financial footing needed to expand in the future. His vineyards are just a part of a 150 acre farm at Mt. Airy. He and other growers with the land to fill are eager and ready for a fresh, large planting.

Readers interested in obtaining more information about grape culture, may wish to write for a grape production guide entitled "Viticulture in Maryland" published at College Park, Md.:

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Fruit Specialist  
Coop. Extension Service  
Department of Horticulture  
1109 Holzapfel Hall  
University of Maryland  
College Park, Md. 20742  
Tel: (301-454-3607)

## LOCAL MARYLAND WINERIES

1. Is open to visitors on specific days.
2. Does sell wine to the public at the vineyard location.

**BOORDY VINEYARD 1**  
7812 Ruxwood Rd.  
Riverwood, Md. 21139  
(Philip M. Wagner)  
301-823-4624  
Brand Name: Boordy Vineyard

**BERRYWINE PLANTATIONS, INC. 1, 2**  
Box 247, Rt. 4  
Mount Airy, Md. 21771  
(John P. Aellen, Jr.)  
301-662-8687  
Brand Name: Mt. Airy Plantation

**BON SPURONZA, INC. 1, 2**  
1522 Stone Rd.  
Westminster, Md. 21157  
(Ira Ross)  
301-876-1100  
Brand Name: Party Wine

**BYRD VINEYARDS 1, 2**  
Church Hill Rd.  
Myersville, Md. 21773  
(W. Bret Byrd)  
301-293-1110  
Brand Name: Byrd Church Hill Manor

**MONTBRAY WINE CELLARS, LTD.**  
818 Silver Run Valley Rd. Rt. 1  
Westminster, Md. 21157  
(George H. Mowbray)  
301-346-7583  
Brand Name: Montbray

**PROVENZA VINEYARDS 2**  
805 Greenbridge Rd.  
Brookeville, Md. 20729  
(Thomas J. Provenza)  
301-277-2447  
Brand Name: Batojolo

**ZIEM VINEYARDS 2**  
Rt. 1  
Fairplay, Md. 21733  
(Robert W. Ziem)  
Brand Name: Ziem

If you plan to visit the vineyard, it is suggested you telephone first to ascertain days and hours. Most vineyards require advance reservations for group tours.

The Browns of the Patuxent River.  
Lloyd W. Brown. 1991 → G.W. Univ. Press. -VI-

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## John Brown

The writer was unable to ascertain with any degree of certainty the date of birth of John Brown or to whom he was married. He estimates his year of birth to be about 1750.

His will, which is on file at the Maryland Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md., lists the names of his children as Joshua, William, Elisha, and Charles. His will was probated on March 3, 1808, which indicates the year of his death.

John Brown acquired "Brown's Forest" through his father, and he acquired other properties hereinafter noted in his will. Among those properties was a plantation on the Patuxent River located on what is now Ednor Road in Montgomery County. John Brown left this property to his son Charles, as noted in his will which follows:

In the Name of God Amen, I John Brown of Anne Arundel County and State of Maryland being sick and weak in body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory, considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs, and thereby the better enabled and prepared to leave this transitory world when it should please God to call him hence, do make, publish and declare this my last will and testament in the manner and form following that is to say, I principally commit my Soul into the hands of Almighty God, who gave it to me, and my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my beloved wife, [wife's name not given] viz.

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife the tract and parcels of land called "Browns Forest" being surveyed for two hundred acres, with all the stock that is on the place, consisting of Horses, Cows, Sheep, and Hogs and all other appertances thereunto belonging, with seven negroes, namely Henry, Hisiah, Lucasa, Mary Ann, Jim, Rachel, Harriot, and all the household furniture and kitchen furniture with all the grain and food that is on said place, and all debts that is due to me either by Bond, Notes, or Book account to Hold and Have the above mentioned articles in her possession at her own disposal her natural life, and she is to pay all my funeral charges and all my just debts and after her decease the aforesaid Tract of land to be divided between my two sons namely Valentine and Joshua that is to say: Eighty acres of said land on the upper part and twenty acres on the great branch adjoining Reason Hammons land, I give and bequeath to my Son, Valentine, the residue I give and bequeath to my Son Joshua, each of them to enjoy it for their own forever. Also a tract of land lying in said County, I will and bequeath unto my two sons namely William and Elisha that tract and parcel of land where both now live, to be equally divided between them both and their Heirs forever.

Also I give and bequeath unto my son Charles that tract and parcel of land laying in Montgomery County being part of "Snowdens Manner" to Hold the same him and his Heirs forever. In witness whereof I have hereunto fixed my Seal to this my last Will and Testament this Seventeenth day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and eight.

Signed, Sealed, and Published and delivered by the said John Brown the last Will Testator as and for his last will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers who at his request, set our name to this last will and testament.

*Signed Amos Jones*  
*Signed Wm Williams*  
*Signed Thomas Davis*

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY S CT. on the 3d day of March 1808

Then came Amos Jones and Thomas Davis two of the subscribing Witnesses to within last will of John Brown late of Anne Arundel County deceased, and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God, that they did see the said John Brown sign and seal this will, and that they heard him publish and declare the same to be his last will, that at the time of his so doing he was to be best of their apprehensions of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding, and that they together with William Williams respectively subscribed their names as witnesses to this will in the presence of each other. Sworn before Jn. Gapaway, Reg. of Wills, Anne Arundel County.

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## The Browns Come To Montgomery County

As noted, John Brown owned a farm in Montgomery County for a number of years before his death. The farm was operated by his son, Charles, who was born in the year 1784. Charles married Mary Howes and as noted in John Brown's will, Charles inherited all the Brown property in Montgomery County.

Charles and Mary had ten children: Lorida, Augustus, Henry H., Elizabeth, Martha Ellen, Rueben, Susan Anne, Charles, Thomas Edward, and John. Some, if not all of the children were born on the farm. Thomas Edward was born there.

Charles Brown vigorously farmed his plantation. He, together with his sons and other help, built a bridge across the Patuxent River from Ednor Road in Montgomery County to Howard County. The bridge, although long since replaced, is reported in some annals as "Browns Bridge", and is so referred to in Charles Brown's will.

Charles Brown's last will and testament reads as follows:

In the Name of God Amen, I Charles Brown of Montgomery County, in the State of Maryland, being sick and weak of body but of sound and disposing mind, memory, and understanding, considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of time thereof and being anxious to settle my worldly affairs and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me home, do therefore make and publish my last will and testament in the manner and form following: that is to say: First and principally, I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors hereinafter named and after my debts and funeral charges are paid, I devise and bequeath as follows:

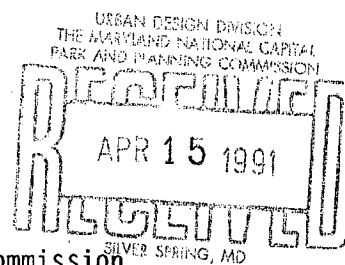
Item. I give and bequeath to my wife Mary Brown my home plantation on which I now reside, all the grain on hand, all the crops in the ground, all the stock of every description, farming utensils, carriages, and also all of my household and kitchen furniture; also my negro girl, Tiny, and my negro boy, Dick, during her natural life.

Item. At the death of my wife, I give and devise the land above mentioned as follows: To my son, Charles Brown, all that part of my home plantation lying North of the public road leading from William Rennars to what is now called Browns Bridge and to my son Thomas Brown all that part of my home plantation lying South of the aforesaid road and the household and kitchen furniture as follows: to my daughters, Martha Bradley and Elizabeth



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MEMORANDUM



TO: Joseph Davis, Coordinator  
Development Review Division  
Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission

FROM: Laura E. McGrath, Planning Specialist LM  
Division of Community Planning and Development  
Department of Housing and Community Development

DATE: April 10, 1991

SUBJECT: Review of Pre-Preliminary Plan #7-91012

At the March 27, 1991, meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission, the Commission reviewed the subdivision proposal known as Catoctin Vineyards, (M-NCPPC Preliminary Plan #7-91012), on which Locational Atlas Resource #23/75, the Marshall Brown House, is located.

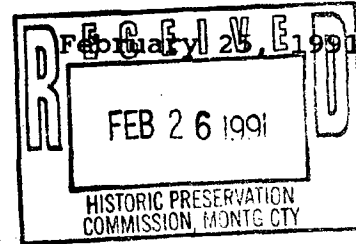
The Commission found that the information provided with the pre-preliminary plan application was not sufficient and that more information would be necessary in order to better assess possible impact of this plan on the existing Atlas resource. This information should include a tree survey, indication of placement of any new structures proposed, and elaboration on provision of access to the new lots. The Commission also indicated that it will evaluate the property for placement on the Master Plan for Historic Preservation; this evaluation will take place some time in the next few months.

If you have any questions about the above, please feel free to contact me at 217-3625.

cc: Gwen Marcus, Historic Preservation Planner

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**THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION**  
8787 Georgia Avenue • Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760



MEMORANDUM

TO: Joe Davis  
Malcolm Shaneman  
Development Review Division

FROM: Gwen Marcus, Historic Preservation Planner  
Mary Ann Rolland, Historic Preservation Planner  
Urban Design Division

SUBJECT: Review of Subdivision Plans

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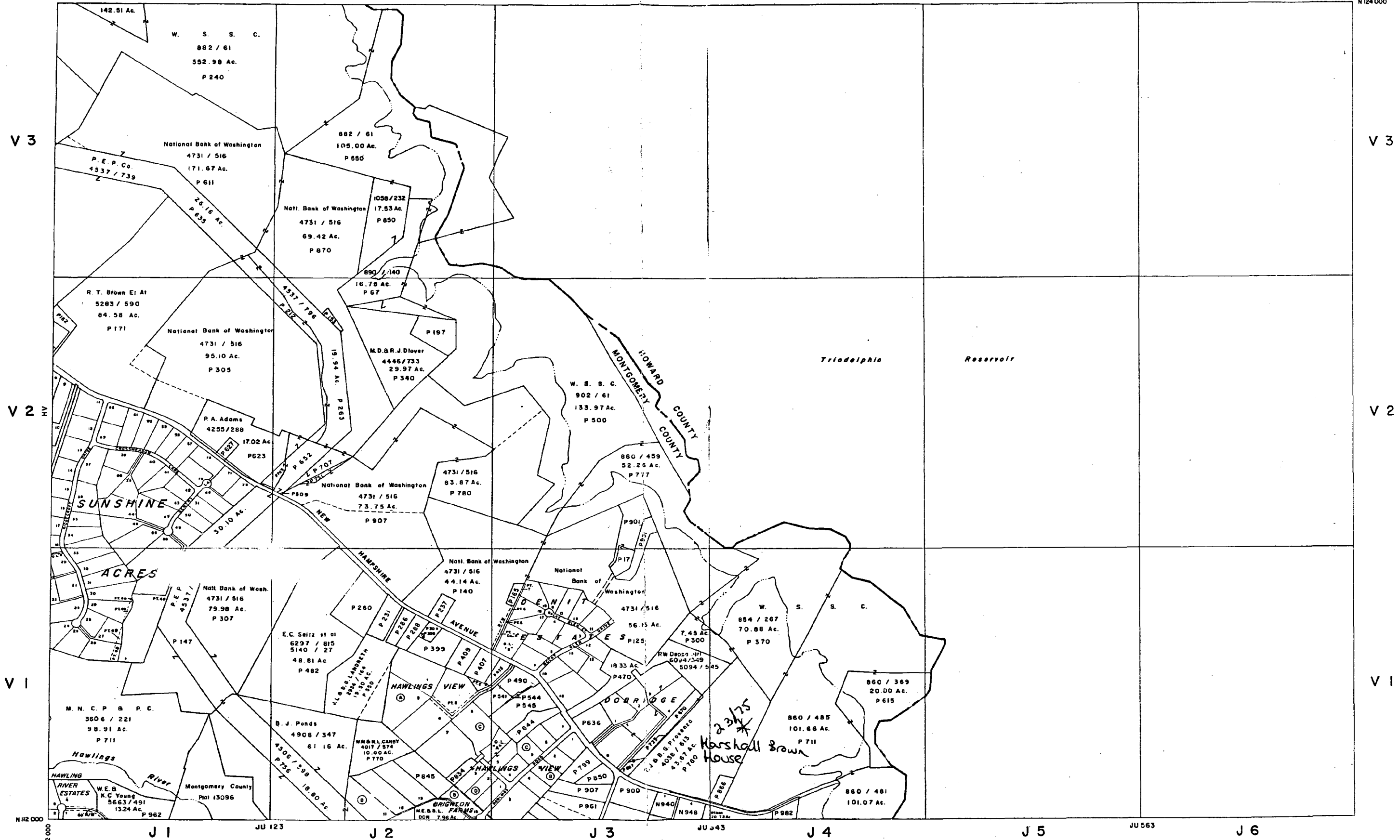
We have reviewed the following subdivision plans and found them not to involve any identified historic resources:

#7-91010 Fairland Gardens  
#7-91013 Edgemoor  
#1-90197 Windswept-on-the-Hawlings  
#1-91010 Ward Property  
#1-91023 Bradley Hills Grove  
#1-91024 Fuster Property  
#1-91025 Forest Glen  
#1-91026 Glenallan

#7-91011, River Plantations, involves Locational Atlas Resource #24/29, the Samuel Thomas Magruder Farm, not yet reviewed by HPC. The 117 acre parcel is proposed to be divided into 21 five-acre lots. This subdivision should be reviewed by HPC, with written comments returned to M-NCPPC within 30 days.

#7-91012, Catoctin Vineyards, involves Locational Atlas Resource #23/75, the Marshall Brown House, not yet reviewed by HPC. This plan proposes subdivision of the 43.67 acre property into seven parcels of 4.7 to 12.37 acres. This plan should be reviewed by HPC, with written comments returned to M-NCPPC within 30 days.

cc: Laura McGrath, Historic Preservation Commission  
Delores Kinney, Office of Planning Policies



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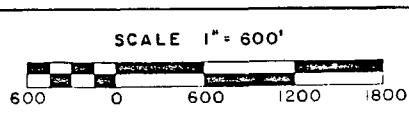
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 - - - - - CORPORATE BOUNDARY  
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No. 1416 APPLICATION OF Marshall Brown Merchant  
Summer of \_\_\_\_\_  
 in the County of Montgomery for Insurance against FIRE, by the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE  
 COMPANY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, for the sum of \$ 450.00 to wit: On

	Amount Insured.	Rate.	Amount of Pre- mium Note.	Estimated cash value of Prop- erty, exclu- sive of Land.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No ashes shall be kept in wooden vessels in or about the building insured. All fire or chimney boards shall be lined at the bottom with tin or other metal. If a stove or stoves be used, pipes passing through floor or partition shall be secured with an earthen collar or metallic cylinder, or other- wise sufficiently secured; and if pipes pass into flue on upper story, it shall be with an elbow, and flue shall be built with brick, laid flat. No pipe shall pass through side wall or roof
	Dollars.	per cent.	Dollars.	Cts.	
Dwelling House <u>increased</u> .....	450	5	22 50	<del>1200</del>	Amount of Premium Note, \$ 22.50 Int. 7 Mos. / 10 Days. 15 to 1st Jan., 1857..... 25 Policy and Survey <u>by fee</u> 25 Postage..... 06 <u>Paid</u> \$ 48
Household Furniture.....				1200	
Barn and Shed.....					
Hay, <del>Drain</del> , <u>in</u> in Barn.....					

Ashes shall not be kept nearer than 25 yards to the Insured Buildings, unless in brick or stone Ash Houses.

AMOUNT INSURED.

Plate, in ounces..... \$  
 Piano.....  
 Library.....  
 Wearing Apparel.....  
 Corn in Corn House.....  
 Wheat Fan in Barn.....  
 Thres'g Machine in.....  
 Reap'g Machine in.....  
 Wagon in.....  
 Harness in.....  
 Horses in.....  
 Cattle in.....  
 Carriage and Harness in }  
 Meat in.....  
 Agricultural Implements in }  
 Hay in stacks.....  
 Grain in stacks.....  
 Grain Drill in.....  
 Ox Cart in.....

How is the title held? in fee as in former app'n  
 Where situated? in Montgomery County  
 By whom occupied? Applicant  
 Of what material is the Dwelling constructed? Wood  
 What is the size of main building? 17 by 42 feet  
 Wing? by feet Kitchen? 17 by 19 feet one story  
 Stories? 2 Chimneys? 3 Fire-places? 3  
 Rooms? 6 Passages? 2 Porches? 1 or 24 by 7 feet  
 Are stove-pipes secured according to printed directions above? they are

Barn and Shed ..... yards of Dwelling ..... by ..... feet  
 stories. Lightning Rod.

This application being intended  
 as an increase on Dwelling stove  
 formerly insured for \$375, as per  
 app'n dated May 29<sup>th</sup> 1856 the same  
 having been enlarged and improved  
 so as to make it the size above descri-  
 bed,

22.50  
 135.00 86.25  
 578.00

Marshall Brown Applicant  
Wm. Brown Secretary

Agent Shirley Hill Montgomery County Post Office of Applicant.  
of Lincoln, Va.

No. 1716 APPLICATION OF Marshall Brown  
Sumner of \_\_\_\_\_

in the County of Montgomery for Insurance against FIRE, by the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE  
 COMPANY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, for the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to wit: On \_\_\_\_\_

	Amount Insured.	Rate per cent	Amount of Premium Note.		Estimated cash value of Property, exclusive of Land.
	Dollars.		Dollars.	Cts.	
Dwelling House... <i>frame</i> .....	375	5	18	75	500
Household Furniture.....					
Barn and Shed.....					
Hay, Grain, &c., in Barn.....					
	<u>\$ 375</u>		<u>\$ 18</u>	<u>75</u>	

No ashes shall be kept in wooden vessels in or about the building insured. All fire or chimney boards shall be lined at the bottom with tin or other metal.

If a stove or stoves be used, pipes passing through floor or partition shall be secured with an earthen collar or metallic cylinder, or otherwise sufficiently secured; and if pipes pass into flue on upper story, it shall be with an elbow, and flue shall be built with brick, laid flat. No pipe shall pass through side wall or roof.

Amount of Premium Note, \$ 18.75

Int. 7 Mos. 3 Days,  
 to 1st Jan., 1877 — 1.66

Policy, Survey, and State tax. 1.00

~~Sum of Note~~.....

Postage..... 08

Carpenter Risk \$ 1.69  
..... 38

Roles shall not be kept more than 25 yards to the Insured Buildings, unless in brick or stone Red House

Property in fee unincumbered and to be occupied by applicant as soon as it is kathed and plastered, &c)

A story and a half frame Dwelling, 24 by 17 <sup>one str</sup> Kitchen adjoining (new) 17 by 15 feet, 3 rooms and Stairway on the first floor, 2 rooms + passage on second floor, 2 chimneys + 2 fire places, stoves when used will pass direct into the chimneys. Piazza in front 17 by 7 feet, lawn about 200 yard west of dwelling, The building is not entirely finished but will have all the stoves cleaned out by a week from this time, the applicant has paid a carpenters Risk for one month as 10 cents on the 100\$

Marshall Brown Applicant

1875  
 1.13

Special Agent  
 J. H. ...  
 County Post Office of Applicant.

No. 1716, APPLICATION OF Marshall Brown

Farmer of Montgomery

in the County of Montgomery for Insurance against FIRE, by the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, for the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, to wit: On

Marshall Brown

	Amount Insured	Rate per cent.	Amount of Premium Note	Estimated cash value of Property, exclusive of Land.
	Dollars.		Dollars.   Cts.	
Dwelling House. <u>Insured</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6.00</u>	<u>150</u>
Household Furniture				<u>in same</u>
Barn and Shed				<u>as above</u>
Hay and Grain in Barn				
Corn House				
Plate in ounces				
Piano				
Library				
Wearing Apparel				
Corn in Corn House				
Wheat Fan in Barn				
Wagon in				
Harness in				
Horses in Stable				
\$..... each.				
Cattle in Stable				
\$..... each.				
Carriage and Harness				
in				
Agricultural Implements				
in				

No ashes shall be kept in wooden vessels in or about the building insured. All fire or chimney boards shall be lined at the bottom with tin or other metal.  
 If a stove or stoves be used, pipes passing through floor or partition shall be secured with an earthen collar or metallic cylinder, or otherwise sufficiently secured; and if pipes pass into flue on upper story, it shall be with an elbow, and flue shall be built with brick, laid flat. No pipe shall pass through side wall or roof.  
 Ashes shall not be kept nearer than 25 yards to the insured buildings, unless in brick or stone ash house.  
 The undersigned do hereby affix his name to the Charter, Constitution and By-Laws of the Company as member thereof.

Amount of Premium Note, \$ 6  
 Int. 14 Mos. 8 Days.  
 to 1st Jan., 1867..... 230  
 Policy, Survey & U.S. Stamp, 25..... 50  
 Postage..... 06  
3  
 \$ 41.83

SIGNED AND VERIFIED BY APPLICANT

How is the title held? as in farm app<sup>rs</sup> Where situated? in Montgomery Co  
 By whom occupied? applicant For what purpose used? Dwelling  
 Of what material is the Dwelling constructed? wood How covered? shingles  
 What is the size of main building?..... by..... feet..... stories. Wing?..... by..... feet..... stories?  
 Kitchen..... by..... feet..... stories. Passages?..... Porches?..... Chimneys?..... Fire Places?.....  
 Rooms?..... Are stove pipes secured according to printed directions above?.....  
 Barn and Shed,..... yards..... from Dwelling..... course..... by..... feet..... stories..... Lightning Rod.

The Kitchen 17 by 15 feet has been raised a story making it two stories containing two additional Rooms, there has also been added to the back building a double porch about 9 by 17 feet covered with the gable Roof

Marshall Brown Applicant

AMOUNT OF PREMIUM:

~~\$13.75~~

\$45.100  
\$62.75  
\$86.25

AMOUNT OF INSURANCE:

~~\$130~~

\$1130  
\$1195  
\$1575

# MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Whereas, *Marshall Brown* has become a member of the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY, agreeably to the Act of Incorporation, Constitution, and By-laws thereof, and has passed and issued to the said Corporation *his* Note of hand dated *May 29<sup>th</sup> 1856* for the sum of *Eighteen* Dollars, payable on demand, and bearing interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged. Not to be known, That in consideration thereof, THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS OF THE MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY do hereby insure the said *Marshall Brown* his Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, agreeably to the terms and conditions of the said Company hereto annexed, to the amount of *Three Hundred and Seventy five* Dollars, against all Loss or Damage by Fire that may happen at any time after the date hereof to the property herein described for the term of seven years:

*Three Hundred and Seventy five Dollars on Dwelling House,  
Increased May 28<sup>th</sup> 1857.  
Five Hundred Dollars on Barn and Shed  
One Hundred and Fifty Dollars on Corn House and Wagon House,  
One Hundred Dollars on Contents of Corn and Wagon House,  
Increased November 19<sup>th</sup> 1859.  
Four Hundred and Fifty Dollars on Dwelling House Increased*

*M. L. N. B.*

No. 1716 APPLICATION OF Marshall Brown 1.58.

of \_\_\_\_\_  
 in the County of Montgomery for Insurance against FIRE, by the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE #1.62  
COMPANY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, for the sum of \$ 750. to wit: On

	Amount Insured.	Rate per cent	Amount of Premium Note.		Estimated cash value of Property, exclusive of Land.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No ashes shall be kept in wooden vessels in or about the building insured. All fire or chimney boards shall be lined at the bottom with tin or other metal. If a stove or stoves be used, pipes passing through floor or partition shall be secured with an earthen collar or metallic cylinder, or otherwise sufficiently secured; and if pipes pass into flue on upper story, it shall be with an elbow, and flue shall be built with brick, laid flat. No pipe shall pass through side wall or roof.
	Dollars.		Dollars.	Cts.		
Dwelling House.....						Amount of Premium Note, \$ <u>45.</u> Int. 7 Mos. 3 Days, <u>1.62</u> to 1st Jan., 18 <u>58</u> Policy and Survey..... <u>1.25</u> Postage..... <u>06</u> \$ <u>3.00</u> \$ <u>2.93</u>
Household Furniture.....						
Barn and Shed.....	<u>500.</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>30</u>		<u>800.</u>	
Hay, Grain, &c. in Barn.....						
corn house & wagon house	<u>150</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>		<u>200</u>	
contents of Do	<u>100</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>		<u>200</u>	
	<u>750.</u>		<u>45.</u>		<u>1250</u>	

Marshall Brown

Agent.

Askes shall not be kept nearer than 25 yards to the Insured Buildings, unless in brick or stone Ash Houses.

Application of Marshall Brown for an increase on a former policy, of frame barn 30ft by 40ft with stabling underneath & a wagon house and corn house 18 by 24ft with a room over it for storing grain

Marshall Brown

Post Office of Applicant.

$$\begin{array}{r} 45 \\ 2.93 \\ \hline 47.93 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 63.75 \\ 3.83 \\ \hline 67.58 \end{array}$$



No. 1716 APPLICATION OF Marshall Brown  
Farmer of \_\_\_\_\_  
 in the County of Montgomery for Insurance against FIRE, by the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE  
 COMPANY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, for the sum of \$ 100, to wit: On

Charles W. Ward AGENT  
 Charles W. Ward AGENT  
 Princy COOPER OFFICE OF APPLICANT

	Amount Insured	Rate per cent.	Amount of Premium Note	Estimated cash value of Property, exclusive of Land.
	Dollars.		Dollars. Cts.	
Dwelling House				
Household Furniture				
<u>Shed to Barn</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>120</u>
Hay and Grain in Barn				

~~No~~ No ashes shall be kept in wooden vessels in or about the building insured. All fire or chimney boards shall be lined at the bottom with TIN or other metal.  
 If a stove or stoves be used, pipes passing through floor or partition shall be secured with an earthen collar or metallic cylinder, or otherwise sufficiently secured; and if pipes pass into flue on upper story, it shall be with an elbow, and flue shall be built with brick, laid flat. No pipe shall pass through side wall or roof.  
 Amount of Premium Note, \$ 6  
 Int. 6 Mos. 20 Days,  
 to 1st Jan., 186 4 .. 11 - 20  
Aug. 6 & Sur. .. 11 - 50  
 Postage .. 03  
 \$ 11 73

Roofs shall not be kept nearer than 25 yards to the Insured Buildings, unless in brick or stone Sub Houses.

	Amount Insured	Cash Value.	
Plate in ounces	\$	\$	How is the title held? <u>as in former app<sup>ly</sup></u>
Piano			Where situated? <u>on south side of barn</u>
Library			By whom occupied? <u>formerly insured</u>
Wearing Apparel			Of what material is the Dwelling constructed? <u>wood</u>
Corn in Corn House			What is the size of main building? by _____ feet _____ stories
Wheat Fan in Barn			Wing? by _____ feet _____ stories Kitchen? by _____ feet _____ stories
Wagon in			Chimneys? _____ Fire-places? _____ Rooms? _____
Harness in			Passages? _____ Porches? _____
Horses in			Are stove-pipes secured according to printed directions above? _____
Cattle in			
Carriage and Harness in			
Agricultl Implements in			

Barn and Shed: to Barn of Dwelling 14 by 10 feet 16 ft  
to the square

Marshall Brown Applicant

Charles W. Ward  
 Charles W. Ward  
 Princy COOPER OFFICE OF APPLICANT

✓ J. H.  
\$139. =

For value Received, in Policy No. 30531, dated the  
day of Jan, A. D. 1895, issued by the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, I promise to pay to the said COMPANY, as their TREASURER, for

the time being, the sum of One hundred thirty nine Dollars,  
in such portions and at such time or times as the Directors of said Company may, agreeably to their  
Act of Incorporation, require. Witness my hand at home  
the 1st day of Jan, A. D. 1895

William Brown et al, [SEAL.]

RECEIVED  
CANCELLED

Send Policy to

No. 30531 APPLICATION OF Wm. Brown et al  
Property situated in the County of  
Montgomery, for Insurance against FIRE and LIGHTNING, by the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, for the sum of \$ 1535, to wit: On

Description	Amount Insured.	Rate per cent.	Amount of Premium Note.		Estimated cash value of property, exclusive of Land.
	Dollars.		Dollars.	Cts.	
Dwelling House	400	8	32	00	600
Household Furniture	200	8	16	00	300
Clothing	50	8	4	00	100
Books	35	8	2	80	50
Barn	500	10	50	00	500
Hay and Grain on Farm					
Corn House	150	10	15	00	200
Horse on Farm @ \$					
Wagon on Farm @ \$					
Carriage and Harness					
Agricultural Implements					
Tenant House	150	10	15	00	200
Piano	50	8	4	00	75
Shop	50	10	5	00	75
Stable	150	10	15	00	200
Admission					
Total	1535		153	50	

No unleached ashes shall be kept in wooden vessels nearer than 30 feet to the insured buildings unless in brick or stone ash house. All fire or chimney boards shall be lined at the bottom with iron or other metal.

If a stove or stoves be used, pipes passing through floor or partition shall be secured with an earthen collar or metallic cylinder, or otherwise sufficiently secured; and if pipes pass into flue on upper story it shall be with an elbow, and the flue shall be built with brick, laid flat; or, when fire clay chimneys are used, they must be securely arranged and the pipe not less than six inches in diameter in the clear. No pipe shall pass through the side wall or roof.

Inform the applicant that he will be bound by the application, and, if the risk be more hazardous than appears from his statement, the Company will not be liable in case of Loss.

The undersigned hereby attests his, her, or their names to the Charter, Constitution, and By-Laws of the Company, as members thereof.

Amount of Premium Note, \$ 139. =

On Policy Change in Estate of Wm Brown et al  
Loss, if any, payable to Mrs. Dorothy Craft  
"Interest only appear" APPROVED

1895  
1st Jan. 1895

Survey and Mileage... Geo. G. Rogers

Annual Interest on Premium Notes, payable at the office of the Company, \$6.12

How is the title held? In fee no encumbrance Where situated? Near Brighton adj...  
By whom occupied? Myself  
For what purpose used? As described Of what material is the building constructed? Log & frame  
How covered? Shanty How long since? 9000 years. What is the size of the main building? 26 by 36 feet,  
stories. Wing? 1 by 11 feet, 1 1/2 stories. Kitchen? 18 by 14 feet, 1 stories. Passages? —

County of Maryland

Office of the Treasurer of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery County, Md.

Dwelling House	200	8	1600	300
Household Furniture	50	8	400	100
Clothing	35	8	280	50
Books	300	70	3600	500
Barn	150	70	1500	200
Hay and Grain on Farm				
Corn House				
Horse on Farm @ \$				
Wagon on Farm @ \$				
Carriage and Harness on farm				
Agricultural Implements on farm				
Tenant House	150	12	1500	200
Shops	50	8	400	75
Stable	50	12	600	75
Stable	150	70	1500	200
Total	1535		13880	

and if pipes pass into flue on upper story it shall be with an elbow, and the flue shall be built with brick, laid flat; or when fire clay chimneys are used, they must be securely arranged and the pipe not less than six inches in diameter in the clear. No pipe shall pass through the side wall or roof.

Inform the applicant that he will be bound by the application, and, if the risk be more hazardous than appears from his statement, the Company will not be liable in case of Loss.

The undersigned hereby affixes his, her, or their names to the Charter, Constitution, and By-Laws of the Company, as members thereof.

Amount of Premium Note, \$ 139.00

**On Policy** Title Change to Estate of Wm Brown & Co. W. E. Brown MAR 7 1904  
 Loss, if any, payable to Mrs Dorothy Kraft Mortgagee  
 Agricultural Implements APPROVED. 1st Jan. 1890

Survey and Mileage... \$6.12

Annual Interest on Premium Notes, payable at the office of the Company, \$

How is the title held? In fee no encumbrance Where situated? Near Brighton adjoin, County of Maryland  
 By whom occupied? Mr. Maxim Brown & D. S. Baber my appeal  
 For what purpose used? As described Of what material is the building constructed? Log & frame  
 How covered? Skingle roof How long since? 9000 years. What is the size of the main building? 26 by 36 feet.  
 stories. Wing? 2 by 6 feet. stories. Kitchen? 18 by 14 feet. stories. Passages? 1  
 Chimneys? 3 Fire-Places? 4 Rooms? 9 Are stove-pipes secured and chimneys built according to printed directions above? Yes except wood on in kitchen chimney which is taken down and reported on water, G. office  
 yards from dwelling, 50 by 32 feet, 1 1/2 stories.  
 26 x 12 - m. 8 x 5 ft

The applicant is allowed the privilege of using a portable steam engine occasionally, for farm purposes, time not to exceed 20 days in any one subject corrected - see letter Wm Brown of 1905

Endorse policy Loss, if any, payable to as interest may appear at the time of said loss.

Can House from 20 x 36 - 50 yds S.E. of duck  
 Barn House from 300 yds S.E. of Duck, 16 x 20 ft 100 yds  
 two rooms - skingle roof  
 Shop - 24 yds S.E. of Duck, 10 x 16 ft good build  
 Stables from 60 yds S.E. of D. 20 x 30 ft shed 9 x 20 ft

William Brown of J. & Co. Agents

The insurance on Dwelling House, not to take effect until the wood on arch and kitchen chimney shall be removed, & the fact reported to the Secretary of This Company in writing. FEB 18 1890

INSURANCE TO POLICY

\$ 24.00 For Value Received, in Policy No. 30531, dated the 6 day of Jan, 1902, A.D., issued by the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, I promise to pay to the said COMPANY or their TREASURER for the time being, the sum of Twenty Four Dollars Dollars, in such portions and at such time or times as the Directors of said Company may, agreeably to their Act of Incorporation, require. Witness my hand and seal, at Brighton, the 6th day of Jan, A.D. 1902.

William Brown [SEAL.]

No. 30531 APPLICATION OF Wm Brown whose Post Office address is Brighton, Property situated in the County of Montgomery, for Insurance against FIRE and LIGHTNING, by the MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, for the sum of \$ 300.00, to wit: On

AN 6 1902	Amount Insured.	Rate	Amount of Premium Note.		Estimated cash value of property insured.
	Dollars.	per cent	Dollars.	Cts.	
Dwelling House.....	200	8	16	00	
Household Furniture and Clothing.....	100	8	8	00	
Family Stores.....					
Barn.....					
Corn House.....					
Hay and Grain on Farm.....					
*Live Stock on Farm.....					
Carriages and Carriage Harness on Farm.....					
Agricultural Implem'ts on Farm.....					
Tenant House.....					
Total.....	300	8	24	00	

No unleached ashes shall be kept nearer than 80 feet to any building unless in brick or stone ash house. All fire or chimney boards shall be made of tin or other metal.

If a stove or stoves be used, pipes passing through floor or partition shall be secured with an earthen collar or metallic cylinder; and if pipes pass into flue on upper story it shall be with an elbow, and the flue shall be built with brick laid flat. No stove pipe shall pass through the side wall or roof, or enter a flue from the bottom. No risk will be taken on a building containing a fire clay flue, whether glazed or unglazed, unless surrounded with brick laid flat.\*

The applicant will be bound by the application, and if the risk be more hazardous than appears from his statement, the Company will not be liable in case of loss.

The undersigned hereby affixes his, her, or their name to the Charter, Constitution and By-Laws of the Company, as a member thereof.

Amount of Premium Note, \$ 24.00  
 Int. / 2 Mos Days }  
 to 1st Jan., 1902 } 84  
 Survey and Mileage..... 50  
 \$ 1.34

Annual Interest on premium Notes, payable at the office of the Company, or to

How is the title held?..... Where situated?.....  
 .....in..... County, Maryland.  
 By whom occupied?..... For what purpose used?..... Of what material is the building constructed?..... How covered?..... Condition of roof?..... What is the size of the main building?..... by..... feet,..... stories. Wing?..... by..... feet,..... stories.  
 Kitchen?..... by..... feet,..... stories. Passages?..... Porches?..... Chimneys?..... Fire-Places?.....  
 Rooms?..... Are Stove-pipes secured and chimneys built according to directions above?.....  
 Barn?..... yards from dwelling,..... course,..... by..... feet..... stories.

My W. S. Brown says house has been newly weather boarded & painted & otherwise improved & is now worth fully \$1,800.

Endorse policy Loss, if any, payable to..... as interest may appear at the time of said loss.

\* Live stock on farm may be insured on the following conditions: As nearly as possible, three-fourths of the average value of all live stock carried on the farm must be insured. In case of loss or damage by fire or lightning, this Company shall not be held liable for more than \$100 for a horse or mule.

Send Policy to Wm Brown, Brighton, P. O. Brighton, Montgomery Co., Md. JAN 27 1902

W. S. Brown AGENT

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES  
CONTINUATION SHEET

Inventory No. M-23-75  
Marshall Brown House  
name of property  
Montgomery County, MD  
county and state

=====

CHAIN OF TITLE:

1876 Tax Ass.  
March 1, 1883

*Brooke Grove + Grey's Delight 127 acres*  
*5800 for improvements, 275 - for household furniture*  
Marshall Brown and wife conveyed the property to William E. Brown, their son.  
(Liber 214 Folio 219.)

December 16, 1925

Mortgage is secured with Federal land Bank of Baltimore for William E. Brown and Lavinia Brown, wife. Liber 391 Folio 94.

1932

William E. Brown dies.

April 23, 1938

Edwin A. Merritt buys property from Gilbert S. Seek and Edith B. Seek, wife. This property designated as parts of tracts "Gitting's Ha Ha", "Gray's Delight", "Resurvey of Leeks lot", "Addition to Brook's Grove", "St. George that saw the Wolf", "Grays Choice", and "Upland". Contains 182 acres. Also designated as part of "Gray's Choice" and "Upland" and all of the property identified as Parcel A in the estate of William Brown of J. Contains 54 acres. Liber 699 Folio 51.

August 27, 1945

Edwin A. Merritt and Dessa R. Merritt sell property to Louis F. Becraft and Mary C. Becraft. Liber 980 Folio 177.

June 15, 1992

Thomas J. Provenza and Barbara G. Provenza, wife sold the property to Robert T. Lyon and Shahin Bagheri. Liber 10946 Folio 36.

(1876  
d1880) Wm Brown "Giddings's Ha Ha + Resurvey  
on Leek's lot  
1600 on improvements  
230 acres of land  
200 - on household furniture

1868

William H. Brown.

Giddings Hq. Resurvey of  
Leek's Lot 114 ac. 3420 - val.

Greys Delight - Resurvey on Leek's Lot 26 ac. 468 - val

Add to B. Grove +  
Upland

60 1/2 ac. \$100 in imp

5500 Land -  
imp.