

history

Bradley was built in 1815-16 on a 1,376-acre tract purchased by James H. Hove from William H. Winters. James H. Hove was a nephew of Bernard Hove of Hazel Plain. <sup>James Hove</sup> He married his uncle's daughter Elizabeth Thacher Hove. <sup>James Hove</sup> Hove died in 1824, leaving Bradley to his widow. From 1816 to 1825 Bradley was the site of a <sup>U.S.</sup> post office.

In 1852, Bradley was conveyed to John H. W. Hornbaker. ~~Bradley~~ Bradley was the site of the establishment of the Manassas Presbyterian Church in 1852. Services were held at Bradley, or Bradleyville, <sup>from 1852 to 1855.</sup> ~~for~~ ~~years~~. A <sup>Methodist</sup> church was constructed on Bradley Farm, and it was used until 1861 when it was destroyed by Union soldiers. After the war, <sup>area</sup> Presbyterians held services in Manassas. In 1869, the Bradley manor parcel ~~was conveyed to~~ passed to J. L. N. Hazen, and the property remained ~~was~~ owned by the Hazens for many years. ~~According to an source, the head of the Freedmens Bureau for Culpeper and Orange counties lived at Bradley during Reconstruction.~~