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From: Veness, Beverly R
Sent: Saturday, August 26, 2006 4:17 PM
To: 'Heidi Baumstark'
Subject: RE: **McCormick OR McCormack House in Haymarket?**

Hi Heidi,

Sorry I didn't respond yesterday but I was off because I am working today.

I believe the correct spelling is **McCormick** and here's why.

The "Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission Survey Form" has the house listed as McCormick House. It says that "According to an early plan of Haymarket dated 1801, this house, lot #107, was owned by John Barnett... The house receives its most lasting name, however, from the McCormick ownership during the Civil War times. Thomas McCormick bought this house in 1821, and it remained in that family for 100 years."

I went to my online deeds which start in 1917 and on August 16, 1922, B. B. Nalls and Annie E. Nalls (nee Annie E. McCormick) his wife are selling to William M. Jordan, both of Haymarket. The property is on the west side of Carolina Road, N.E. corner of Parish lot which was conveyed to Thomas McCormick. It later goes on to say that Annie E. Nalls is the only surviving heir at law of said Thomas McCormick, deceased.

I went to Ron Turner's marriages for 1853-1934 and found their marriage. B. B. Nalls, 67, wid., carpenter, born Fauquier County, to Annie McCormick, 51, born Haymarket, d/o Thomas McCormick 12 Jun 1919.

The 1860 U.S. Federal Census show Thomas McCormick living in Haymarket. The 1850 census also lists him as McCormick.

Ron Turner's *Business Licenses 1806-1899* (1998) has Thomas McCormick taking out a business license on May 1, 1870.

Joel Jay Thrasher's compilation *Prince William County Records of 1890* (1998) has him listed as Thomas McCormick.

From *Prince William County Virginia 1890-1891 Court Minutes* by Ron Turner (2003) has on pg. 109 and pg. 113 "Thomas McCormick to M. W. Harrell, deed conveying real estate with certificate annexed was presented to court and ordered to be recorded."

Even Sarah Turner, the former Haymarket historian, has in her book *Haymarket : A town in transition* on page 125 a picture of the house and she spells the name McCormick House.

I could not find a will for Thomas or where he is buried.

The only time I see the other spelling is in Ron Turner's book *Prince William County Virginia Death Records 1912-1917* (1994) for **McCormack**, Jeanette (w) born 15 Jun 1854 Prince William; died 17 Mar 1915 of double pneumonia; father was Thomas **McCormick** born Fauquier County; mother was Mary Burgess born Fauquier; information by Annie McCormack of Haymarket; buried Haymarket.

All of the above documents have the name spelled McCormick. Why the plaque in front of the house is spelled otherwise, I have no clue.

Hope this helps.

Bev

From: Heidi Baumstark [mailto:heidiblrn@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, August 25, 2006 2:08 PM
To: Veness, Beverly R
Subject: McCormick OR McCormack House in Haymarket?

Hi Bev,

I'm researching one of the oldest houses in Haymarket. In some sources, it's called the McCormick House (ca. 1800); other sources site it as McCormack House.

I was just at the house and interviewed Elizabeth Cobb, the current owner. There is a plaque on the house that spells it McCormack so even Elizabeth isn't sure of the correct spelling. Can you help me with this? It's located at 6745 Fayette St.

Thanks so much!
Heidi

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