



NO.1 LAPP'S COURT

A SHORT HISTORY OF AN EASTSIDE PROPERTY

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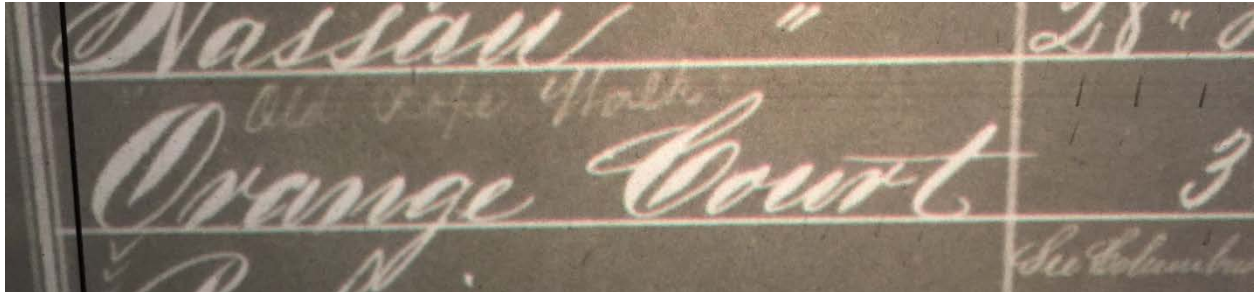
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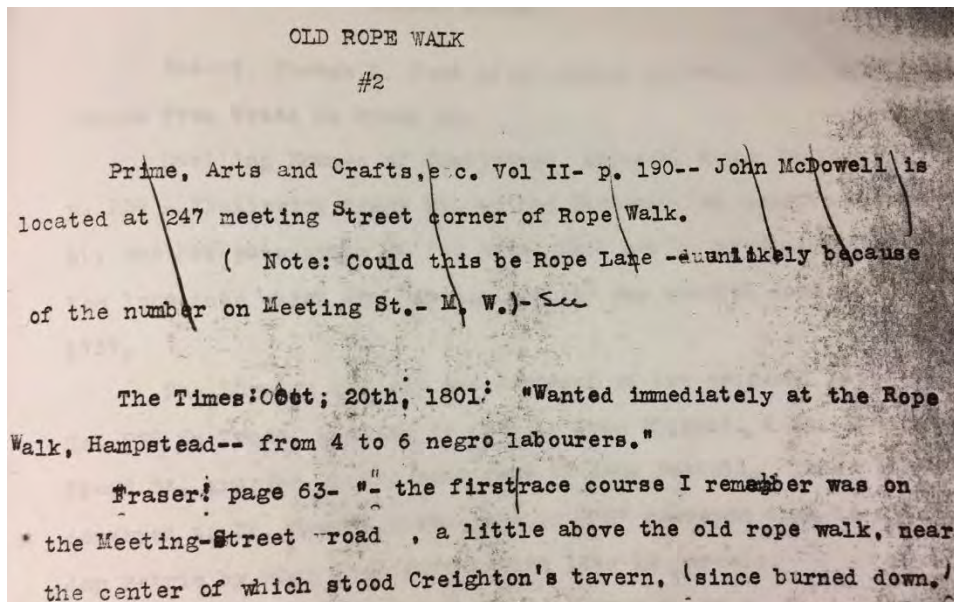
1 Lapp's Court is a two story Charleston single house located on a small dead end lane near the intersection of Drake and Amherst Streets. The area that contains Lapp's Court is often referred to as Charleston's Eastside, with Hampstead Village being the historic name. Physically, the lot currently measures 42' x 73.8', and the building itself has not changed from its initial two story size. Running North/Northwest from Amherst Street, Lapp's Court now only has two buildings, both on the West side of the street. Lapp's Court has been known by at least

two names – originally named “Orange Court” it was renamed in 1939 to the present name¹- and there is the possibility that it may have even been counted as Amherst Street for a period of time. For simplicity’s sake, the modern name will be used, as there is evidence of renumbering and renaming. Even before being called Orange Ct., the area was referred to in the 1871 Ward Book

Figure 1 – Notation in 1872 Ward Book – “Old Rope Walk”



as “Old Rope Walk²”, which when taken with an 1851 newspaper advertisement



reference to a rope walk located on the intersection of Line and Meeting Streets³, could indicate that at some point the Eastside was a

Figure 2 – Reference to the “Old Rope Walk”, Hampstead in The Charleston Address Book.

¹ This could have been to avoid continued confusion with Orange Street when abbreviated: St versus Ct

² Large open area for the purpose of manufacturing and laying out rope for ships.

³ Charleston Mercury, August 13, 1851: 3, accessed November 15, 2016, <http://infoweb.newsbank.com/resources/doc/nb/image/v2:1116E1B9DF7C4D80@EANX-153D6BB9A4CC2698@2397348-153D2275C71487D0@2-153E12A029EC5878@?p=AMNEWS>

center of activity for shipbuilding or repair industries.

Genesis – Land of Confusion

1 Lapp's Court was first built sometime in the middle to late 1850s, most probably in 1856. According to current city tax records, the building was constructed in 1840, but to date there has been no documentation that firmly establishes a date for the creation of the plot or the construction of the building upon it⁴. The 1852 Bridgens & Allen map of Charleston clearly shows that there are no structures on the area currently occupied by 1 Lapp's Court, while the 1856 Charleston city directory shows that a building designated 1 Orange Court was already built and occupied by the time of the census. Cross referencing with the 1855 edition of the Charleston city directory shows no addresses for Orange Court listed at all⁵. Given this information, it can be reasonably posited that construction of a two-story single house on Orange Court began sometime in 1855, and was completed in time for occupancy by the time the survey was taken for the 1856 directory.

City ward books from the period of 1852-1856 show no street by the name of Orange Court, and the first appearance of the street name occurs in the 1872 ward book⁶. However, the first entry for Orange Court is notated that the property was assessed on Amherst Street, which brings up several possibilities which make further confirmation of the property's provenance problematic. It appears that Orange Court was originally part of Amherst Street, and was not formally named "Orange Court" before 1872. In the Cross and Direct Indexes, property owners and sellers that would appear on in the 1883 Ward Book on Orange Court, show up for

⁴ <http://sc-charleston-county.governmax.com/svc/>

⁵ Since most immigrant groups tend to cluster together, Irish surnames were checked for addresses.

⁶ (City of Charleston 1871)

transactions occurring 1856, 1868, and 1871 on Amherst Street. The most likely occurrence is that what is listed in the Ward books as the first property on Orange Court (and annotated as

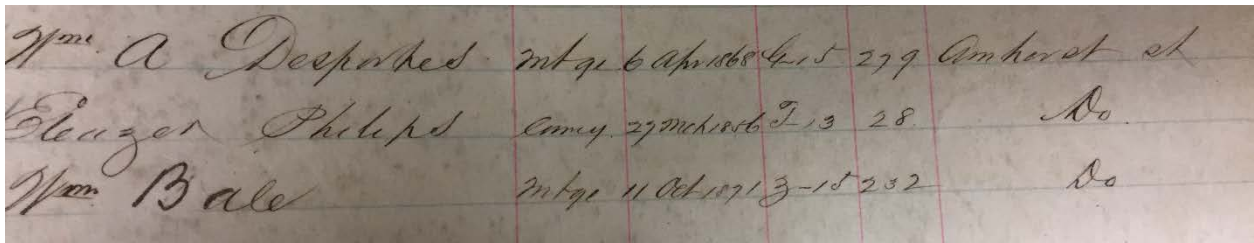
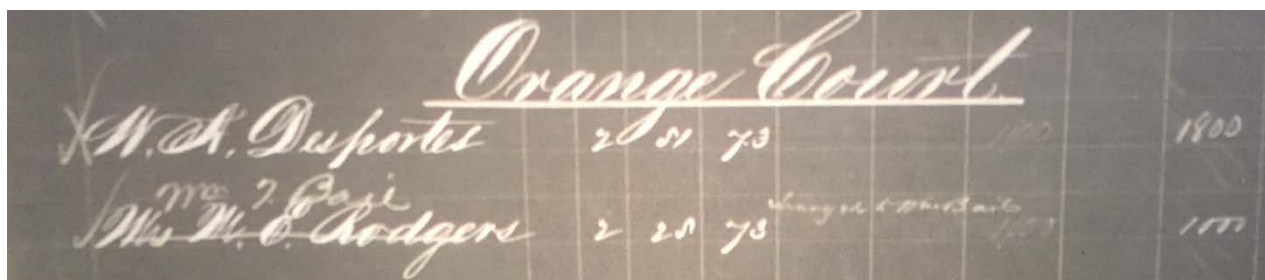


Figure 3 – Entry from 1800-1880 Direct Index (above) and 1871 Ward Book (below). Not the names (Desportes and Bale/Bail) and addresses. Mrs. Martha E. Rodgers in the Ward Book is the Seller in each entry in the Index.



assessed on Amherst Street) was later (just by itself) moved back to Amherst Street, causing a renumbering of properties along Orange Court. This would account for 1 Lapp's Court consistently being listed as the second property on all Ward books available covering the years 1852-1886.

The incident which led to the shifting and renumbering of properties was the 1886 earthquake in Charleston. The damage assessment book clearly shows 1 Orange Ct. as suffering no damage, but more notably shows the owner (Charles Blake) of what will eventually be called 1 Lapps Ct. now owning 1 Orange Ct⁷. Prior to this, 1 Lapp's was actually known as No. 7

127	" "	H. Bischoff, Dwelling	Brick	Slate	60	50	45	Badly cracked	Slightly cracked	Badly cracked	Good	Have all been rebuilt	1500	Now undergoing exterior through; chimneys
1	Orange Court	- Blake, Dwelling	Frame	Slate	30	18	22	Good	Good	Good	Good	In good order		OK
3	" "	- McCarthy, Dwelling	Frame	Tin	30	16	22	Good	Good	Good	Good	In good order		OK
5	" "	F. Diegman, Dwelling	Frame	Tin	30	16	22	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good		OK
7	" "	C. H. Blase, Dwelling	Frame	Shingle	30	16	22	Good	Good	Good	Good	In good order		OK
9	" "	- McCarthy, Dwelling	Frame	Shingle	30	16	22	Good	Good	Good	Good	In good order		OK

Figure 4 - 1886 Earthquake Damage Assessment. Renumbering has occurred, with the old No.1 Orange Ct now on Amherst St., and No.7 (presumed) Orange Ct. renumbered to No.1.

⁷ (City of Charleston 1886)

Orange Court, which seems like a very strange numbering system to have on such a short section of street (assuming No. 1 Orange Ct. did revert to Amherst St.). After the renumbering and adjustments in 1886, 1 Lapp's would retain "No. 1" and would only change the street name in 1939.

Originally there were seven plots allotted to the area of Orange Court, each measuring approximately 23' x 70'. Over time, plots were consolidated, the first documented case of that being in the 1883 Ward book, showing only six plots and 1 Lapp's Court changing in size to 21' x 73'9"

Demographics/Occupants – Our House

While the physical and evolutionary story of 1 Lapp's Court is convoluted, the personal story of the property is only slightly less so. Lapp's Court's history is that of the minority experience in Charleston, and the changes in population that the city has experienced. The property was home to Irish immigrants (1880s), Jewish families (1920/30s), a single woman (1930s), and finally an African American (1940s).

The first occupants of 1 Lapp's Court cannot be definitely identified. In the 1856 Charleston City directory, there are two people listed as living on 1 Orange Court, but as

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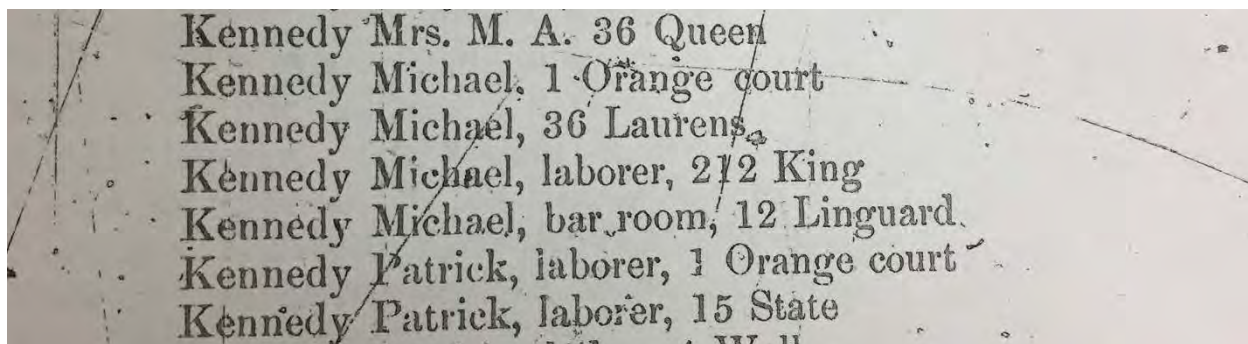


Figure 5 Figure 5 – 1856 Charleston City Directory. Michael Kennedy's job was listed as porter in the 1860 U.S. Census; both Kennedy's jobs would have been in line with what could be expected in Hampstead

⁸ (City of Charleston 1883)

be what would later revert back to Amherst Street.

Other Irish families show up in the Ward Books and Indexes, but without any confirmation of address number both in the documentation and of the numbering system used on Orange Court itself, it is difficult to claim with certainty which families lived at 1 Lapp's Ct. It is only in 1878 that the progression of owners of 1 Lapp's Ct. becomes clear for the first time.

The last set of Irish immigrants to live at 1 Lapp's Court was the McCarthy family, who occupied the building from December, 1878 to March, 1884. Once again, there is some issue with tracking the property as it appears the property is named either No. 4 or No.7 Orange Court (or possibly both at different times)⁹. Eliza McCarthy was married to a man who was named James J.B. McCarthy, or confusingly enough was also called J.J. Bateson. There is no known information as to why he held an alias, but his family in Ireland went by the name of Bateson. According to city directories from 1877, 1881, 1882, and 1883 there are

Figure 6 – J.J.B. McCarthy, Eastside junk dealer.

JAMES ALLAN, DEALER IN FINE WATCHES, JEWELRY, SILVERWARE, &c., 307 KING STREET.		
McC	441	McC
McCaffrey Timothy, wks T. Young, r 71 East Bay		
McCall Anthony, porter E. Welling, r rear 258 Meeting		
McCall Harriet Miss, r 12 Lamboll		
McCall James, c, painter, r 2 Anson		
McCall John, c, baker Ch. Hotel, r 3 Goldsmiths ct		
McCall John, c, porter Mrs A. C. Semken		
McCall John, c, wheelright P. V. McBride, r 40 State		
McCall Joseph, c, baker Ch. Hotel, r rear 36 St Philip		
McCall Mary, wid J. M., r 88 Broad		
McCall Paul, c, carpenter, r 8 Porter's row		
McCall William, c, coachman W. K. Ryan, r 23 Mazyck		
McCann Ellen, wid Henry, r 12 John		
McCants Ida D. Miss, r 102 Wentworth		
McCants James T., c, porter W. Shepherd & Co., r 28 Mary		
McCants Julia A., c, laundress, r 1 Thompson ct		
McCants Thomas R., c, cotton sampler, r 1 Thompson ct		
McCarey James, clk W. C. Forsythe & Son, bds 9 Beaufain		
McCarrell Eleanor, wid William, r 44 Society		
McCarrell Henry, shoemkr 360 King, r 46 Coming		
McCarrell Henry, Jr., tinner, r 54 Coming		
McCarrell Jasper, tinner Adams, Damon & Co., r 61 King		
McCarrell John R., plumber Campbell & Lord, r 32 Warren		
McCarrell John, bricklayer, r 54 Coming		
McCarrell Joseph, bricklayer, bds 90 Church		
McCarrell Thomas S., sanitary insp, bds 44 Society		
McCarrell Virginia Miss, r 44 Society		
McCarrell William, engineer Palmetto Brewery, r 32 Market		
McCarthy Anna Miss, bkpr, r 17 Marsh		
McCarthy Annie, wid Patrick, r 17 Marsh		
McCarthy Catherine Mrs, dry goods, 35 Middle		
McCarthy Eliza T., wid Daniel L., r 21 President		
McCarthy Elizabeth Mrs., junk 27 State, r 6 Short ct		
McCarthy Eugene, marble cutter E. T. Vielt, bds 10 Wentworth		
McCarthy James, marble cutter E. T. Vielt, bds 10 Wentworth		
McCarthy Jeremiah, lab, r 35 Middle		
McCarthy Johnanna Miss, r 10 Wentworth		
McCarthy Joseph J. B., junk, Inspection 2d e East Bay		
McCarthy Julia Miss, r 17 Marsh		
McCarthy Margaret Miss, r 35 Middle		
McCarthy Mary Miss, r 17 Marsh		

⁹ (Endicott 1883)

three men who had names that could be some variation on J.J.B. as the initials¹⁰. Various

in Ireland.
 VI. That on 10th day of 1883
 the said estate executed his deed of Mortgage
 of said real estate to the Phoenix Building
 and Loan Association of Charleston.
 VII. That on the day of March 1883 he
 likewise executed a second mortgage of
 said real estate to James R. Redding to
 secure his bond for Three hun-
 dred dollars.
 IX. That the simple contract debts of said
 estate which have been proved against
 said estate amount to Three hundred
 and ninety five ⁵²/₁₀₀ dollars.
 X. That the sale of one of the lots above de-
 scribed will not be sufficient, as the
 plaintiff is advised and believes, to
 satisfy the debts of said estate.
 VI

Figure 7 - Court document outlining debts incurred by McCarthy's.

- 1883, has been confin-
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 Balise a party to the
 Eliza X McCarthy
 mark

Figure 8 - Eliza agreeing to the court order by making her mark.

known as James or Joseph McCarthy one of

the individuals was a junk dealer who

worked in the Hampstead area¹¹. What is

known is that in December of 1878, J.J.B.

and Eliza took out an initial mortgage from

the Phoenix Building and Loan association.

In March of 1883 a second mortgage is taken

out from James Redding for an additional

\$300.

In September, 1883 J.J.B. falls ill, and dies

the following month. Eliza is now left to

deal with the debts that the family has incurred, but

with no assets save the house. Because of the

mortgages, the total amount of debts owed to James

Redding is \$395.52, and a sale of household items

only nets Eliza \$14.43¹². Eliza is forced to sue her in-

laws (in Dublin, Ireland) for control of J.J. B's assets

¹⁰ [http://search.ancestryinstitution.com/cgi-](http://search.ancestryinstitution.com/cgi-bin/sse.dll?_phsrc=Nhg85&_phstart=successSource&usePUBJs=true&db=USDirectories&gss=angs-d&new=1&msT=1&gsfn=Joseph&gsfn_x=0&gsln=McCarthy&gsln_x=0&msrpn__ftp=Charleston%2c+Charleston%2c+South+Carolina%2c+USA&msrpn=21847&msrpn_PInfo=8-%7c0%7c1652393%7c0%7c2%7c0%7c43%7c0%7c552%7c21847%7c0%7c0%7c&_83004003-n_xcl=f&msrpy=1880&MSAV=1&uidh=fh5&fh=0&fsk=&bsk=&rank=1&pgoff=)

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¹¹ The other individual(s) had an address listed as Short Ct., which does not exist on any current map.

¹² Coincidentally, James Redding happens to own an auction house also, and his company conducts the auction of the McCarthy's goods.

(the house), as he has died without a will. Eliza wins by default since the family does not contest the suit, and as sole executor of her husband's assets is ordered by the courts to auction off the house in order to settle the family debts¹³.

On February 14, 1884 the house is sold at auction for \$1,200 to Charles Blake (also referred to in some documents as "Blase"). In a span of four months, Eliza has lost her husband and her home. It is unknown what financial hardships forced the McCarthys to take out a second mortgage so quickly after the first, but a clue might come from J.J.B's death certificate. The cause of death is noted as tuberculosis, which given his job as a junk dealer might have prevented him from working enough to make ends meet. Charles Blake would own the property for nearly forty years, selling it in 1920

to Hyman Bluestein. The Bluesteins only had the property for four years, selling it in 1924 to a pair sisters-in-law, Janice Raisin and Mary Lazarus who were also Jewish. It is not known how the principals knew each other, but the 1930 U.S. Census shows that Janice's father (Jacob) was a rabbi¹⁴. With a relatively small population of worshippers to tend to there can be no doubt that the Raisin family would have been well known amongst the Jewish community in Charleston.

Figure 9 – Death Certificate of Eliza McCarthy's husband. Note aliases.

Health Department City of Charleston.
"All Permits for the removal of the body of any deceased person from the City of Charleston for Interment, and all Burial Permits, and Permits for the Disinterment of the remains of deceased persons in the City of Charleston, shall be granted and signed by the Registrar."
No Permit for Burial can be Obtained Without a Proper Certificate.
All Physicians practicing in Charleston (including those in Public Institutions) are requested to register their names in the Bureau of Vital Statistics.

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
1. Full Name of Deceased, { Write legibly and spell correctly. If an infant not named, give parents' name. } J.J.B. McCarthy
2. Age, 34 years, — months, — days. Color White
3. Single, Married, Widower, or Widower (Cross out the words not required in this line.) 4. Occupation, about 18 yrs
5. Birthplace, (State or Country) Ireland (How long in the United States, if a Foreign birth.)
6. How long Resident in this City, 18 yrs about
7. Father's Birthplace, (State or Country) Ireland
8. Mother's Birthplace, (State or Country) Ireland
9. PLACE OF DEATH, (If an Institution, please state the name.) No. 1. Orange Grove
Amhurst Street, Ward.
10. I hereby certify, That I attended deceased from Sept 1 1883 to Oct 18 1883; that I last saw him alive on the 17 day of October 1883; that he died on the 18 day of Oct 1883, about 10 o'clock A. M. or PM, and that the Cause of death was:
First (Primary), Phthisis Pulm
Second (Immediate), —
TIME FROM ATTACK TILL DEATH: Write opposite each cause; if unknown, it should be so stated.
Place of Burial, St. Lawrence Cemetery Signed by Dr. M. Schirmer, D.
Date of Burial, Oct 19 1883 Medical Attendant.
Undertaker, F.B. Rescove & Sons Address, 67 Common St.
Place of Business, Kings St.

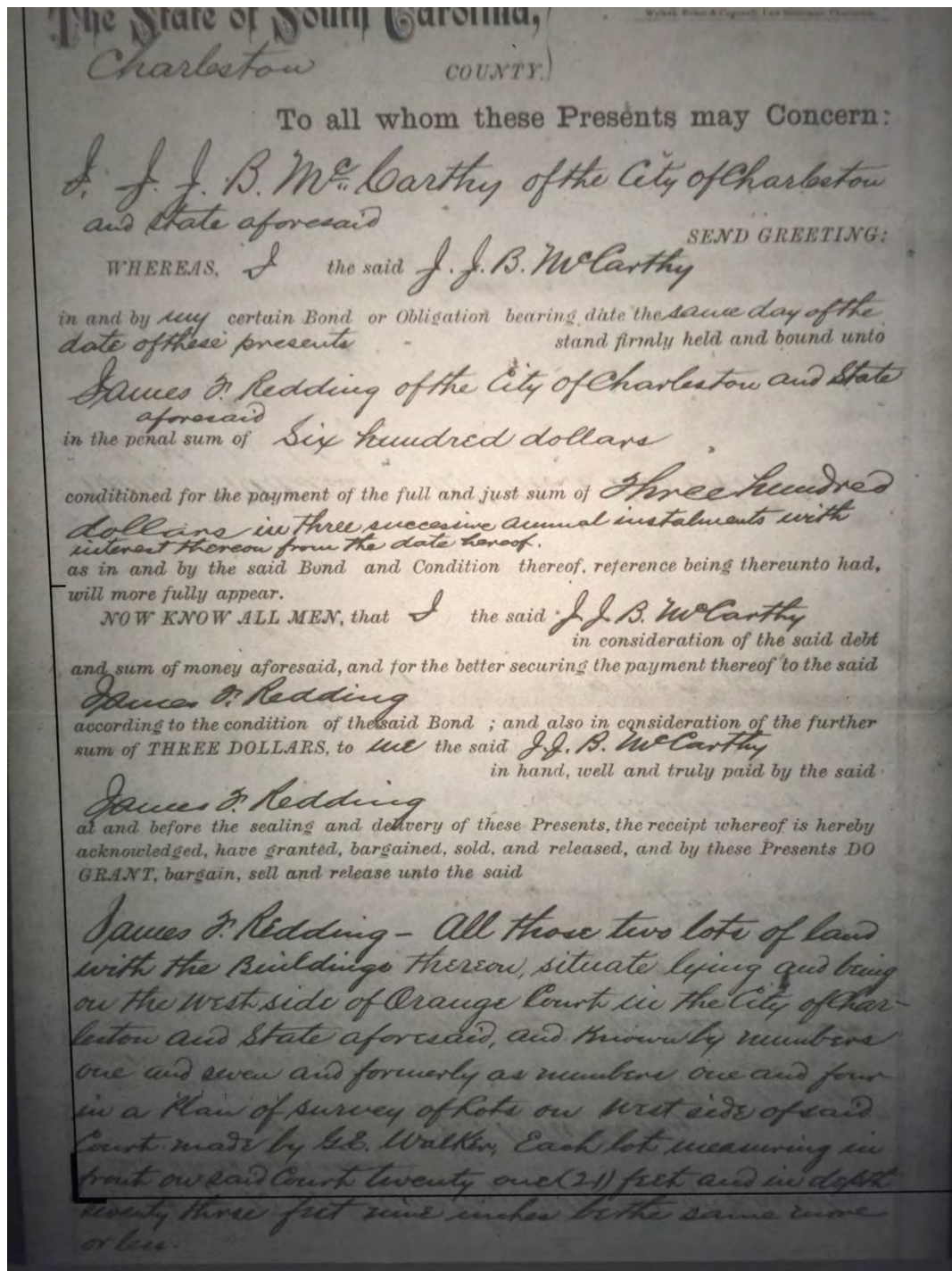
¹³ (Endicott 1883)

¹⁴ (Bureau of Census 1930)

Hyman Bluestein would die in 1930, and his widow would adjust the terms of sale of the property, selling it outright to Janice Raisin for \$10. Jane Raisin would own the property for fourteen years, selling it in 1944 to Abraham Brown who still owns 1 Lapp's Court to this day.

The diversity in owners of 1 Lapp's Court reflects the changes in demographics in the Eastside of Charleston, and to a greater extent the changes the city has experienced overall. While the Eastside has traditionally been associated with those on the lower rungs of the socio-economic ladder, it has proven to be a place where people can get their start on becoming established and moving upwards.

APPENDIX A – ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS



2nd McCarthy Mortgage, 1883

Probate Judgment from Judge William Endicott against Eliza McCarthy, 1883

Eliza E. Vincent
 Judge of Probate
 &c.
 Henry Blase
 Plaintiff Real Estate
 vs.
 The State of South Carolina,
 To all to whom these presents shall come
 I William E. Vincent Judge of the
 for the County of Charleston in said state do
 greeting Whereas Eliza M^cCarthy an old ma
 of estate J. J. B. M^cCarthy sometimes called Bateson and in her
 will on or about the eighth day of November in the year one thousand
 and eighty three did exhibit her will to the Court of Probate at Charleston in the County of Charleston and
 to appear and wherein it was alleged that J. J. B. M^cCarthy sometime
 called Bateson departed this life in Charleston aforesaid on or about
 day of October 1883 of J. J. B. M^cCarthy as his only heir and distribute
 of the Complainant and Henry Bateson his mother Mary Trusse
 is sister and Stephen Bateson son of Bateson his brother
 defendants herein that said Eliza M^cCarthy was duly qualified
 as administratrix of said estate on 5th Nov. 1883 That the personal
 assets are wholly insufficient to pay the debts of said intestate
 estate she proposes the real estate hereinafter described of which
 the estate was seized in fee at the time of his death all of the de
 defendants were formally served by publication and by personal service.
 Together with all and singular the receipts receipts heretofore
 and hereafter whatsoever to the said premises belonging
 or in anywise appertaining and the revenues and income
 profits and gains and also all the estate right title
 interest power possession property benefit claim and demand whatev
 ever both at law and in Equity of the said J. J. B. M^cCarthy sometime
 called Bateson and give the parties to the said suit and of ad

Charleston, S.C. Nov 6 1853

Account Sales of

Received from *Est. J. B. McCarthy* and sold by
JAMES F. REDDING,

Auctioneer and Real Estate Broker,

No. 59 BROAD STREET.

1 Sofa	1 95
1 Cushion	15
1 Frame	50
1 Sofa	1 75
1 Clock	50
1 Lamp	90
3 Secanters	30
1 K. O. Clock	10
Lot Lunders	1 60
1 Table	1 55
1 Box Lunders	25
3 Chairs	1 20
1 "	20
1 Rocker	1 30
3 Kettles & Basket	80
1 Picture	50
1 "	45
2 "	70
2 "	50
1 Box Lunders	30
1 Sofa	2 25
	17 75

Sales receipt from auction of McCarthy family goods; JJB's death nets his widow \$14.43 after fees.

CHARGES.	
Commission,	1 77
Advertising,	
Drayage,	
	1 77
	15 98
bill of goods Mr. McC	1 55
	14 43

Deed – Charles Blase to Hyman Bluestein, 1920

Charles H. Blase
To
The State of South Carolina, Hyman Bluestein

Whereas under a power of Attorney dated April 13th, 1911 and recorded in R. M. C. Office for Charleston County in Book M. 26, page 188, Charles H. Blase appointed Henry Bunt his Attorney-in-fact with full power to sell and convey all or any part of his real estate.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT
I, Charles H. Blase, (Widower) in the State aforesaid for and in consideration of the sum of Twenty Four Hundred and fifty Dollars, to _____ in hand paid at and before the sealing of these Presents by _____ on the State aforesaid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold and released, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell and release unto the said _____ Hyman Bluestein, All that lot of land with the buildings thereon, situate on the west side of Orange Court in the City of Charleston, measuring Twenty-one (21) feet front by Seventy-Three (73) feet five (5) inches in depth, be the same more or less. Said premises being known as number Seven (7).
Situation and Boundary, north _____ East on Orange Court, South on lands of M. McCarthy and west on lands of Estate of Richard Tobin, and also all that lot of land with the buildings thereon, situate on Orange Court aforesaid, and known by the Number One (1). Measuring in front Twenty-one (21) feet and in depth Seventy-Three (73) feet, Nine (9) inches, more or less.
Situation and Boundary, north on lands of M. McCarthy, east on Orange Court, south on lands of W. A. Desportes, and west on lands of Tobin, (lat. Richard).
Being the same property conveyed to Charles H. Blase by William C. Vincent, Probate Judge, by deed dated March 1, 1896, and recorded in the R. M. C. Office for Charleston County, S.C. in Book 2 - 24, page 27.

Witness my hand and seal of my office, this _____ day of _____, 1920.

Notary Public for the State of South Carolina.

Deed – Hyman Bluestein to Jane Raisin and Mary Lazarus, 1924

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The State of South Carolina,

Hyman Bluestein
To
Jane L. Karsen et al

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCERN

I, Hyman Bluestein,

WHEREAS I the said Hyman Bluestein

do and lawfully own certain Bond or Obligation bearing even date herewith, stand firmly held and bound unto Jane L. Karsen and Mary Lazarus

in the sum of Twenty six Hundred Dollars (\$2600.00)

Dollars

contracted for the payment of lawful money of the United States, of the full and just sum of Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1800.00), one year from the date hereof, with interest thereon from date at the rate of Seven per cent (7%) per annum, payable semi-annually on the whole and as much and each parts thereof as shall from time remains unpaid, until the whole, both principal and interest, shall be fully paid, the Obligor to have the privilege of paying the whole of said bond at any interest bearing period, or any part thereof. And it is especially agreed by and between the parties to these presents that if Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars is paid on account of the principal at the end of the first year and Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars at the end of the second year, the payment of the bond is extended for three years.

as is and by the said Bond, and Conditions thereon, reference being thereunto had will more fully appear.

NOW KNOW ALL MEN, That I the said Hyman Bluestein

in consideration of the said debt, and for the better securing the payment thereof, according to the conditions of the said Bond; and also in consideration of Three Dollars,

to me in hand well and truly paid by the said Jane L. Karsen and Mary Lazarus

at and before the reading and delivery of these presents, do hereby certify a deed, acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold and released, and by these Presents do grant, bargain, sell and release unto the said Jane L. Karsen and Mary Lazarus

All that lot of land with the buildings thereon situated on the West side of Orange Street in the City of Charleston.

Measuring twenty-one feet (21') front by seventy-three feet nine inches (73'9") in depth, to the same more or less, said premises being also known as No. 7.

Building and Bounding North on _____; East on Orange Court; South on lands of Mr. McCarthy, and West on lands of Estate of Richard Tithin.

And also all that lot of land with the buildings thereon situated on Orange Court aforesaid and known by the No. 1.

Measuring on front twenty-one feet (21') and in depth seventy-three feet nine inches (73'9") more or less.

Building and Bounding North on lands of Mr. McCarthy; East on Orange Court South on lands of H. E. Crocker, and West on lands of Estate of Richard Tithin.

Together with all and singular the rights and appurtenances thereto in any way appertaining, and the same acres and premises, together with profits thereof, and also all rights, title, interest, power, possession, property, thought, claim and demand what comes both at law and in equity of the said J. J. McCarthy.

Deed – Hyman Bluestein to Jane Raisin, 1930

Hyman Bluestein
To
Jane L. Raisin

BOOK E. 36 - TITLE TO REAL ESTATE
RECORDS & DEEDS OF CHARLESTON, S. C.

The State of South Carolina,

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT

I, Hyman Bluestein, of the city and county of Charleston, in the State aforesaid for and in consideration of the sum of Ten and no/100 (\$10.00) Dollars to me in hand paid at and before the sealing of these Presents by Jane L. Raisin, of the City and County of Charleston, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold and released, and by these Presents do grant, bargain, sell and release unto the said Jane L. Raisin, her heirs and assigns,

All that lot of land, with the buildings thereon, situate on the West side of Orange Court, in the City of Charleston. Measuring twenty-one (21) feet front by seventy-three feet nine inches (73'9") in depth, be the same more or less, said premises being known as No. 7.

Being and Bounding North on _____; East on Orange Court; South on lands of Mr. McCarthy; and West on lands of Estate of Richard Tobin. And Also All that lot of land with the buildings thereon situated on Orange Court aforesaid and known by the No. 1. Measuring in front twenty-one (21) feet and in depth seventy-three feet nine inches (73'9") more or less.

Being and Bounding, North on lands of Mr. McCarthy; East on Orange Court; South on lands of W. A. Desportes; and West on lands of Estate of Richard Tobin.

Together with all and singular the rights, members, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever to the said premises belonging or in any wise appertaining, and the reversions and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, and also all estate, right, title, interest, dower, possession, property, benefit, claim and demand whatsoever both at law and in equity of the said J. B. McCarthy.

This conveyance is made subject to the mortgage of Hyman Bluestein to Jane L. Raisin on said property, which mortgage is dated the 10th day of March, 1924, and is recorded in the R. M. C. Office for Charleston County in Book N-50, at page 275.

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The State of South Carolina.
County of Charleston

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCERN.

William Bail of the city of Charleston in the State aforesaid SEND GREETING:

WHEREAS, *I* the said *William Bail*

in and by *my* certain Bond or Obligation bearing date the *Same day and Year as the these presents*

stand firmly held and bound unto *Martha E. Rogers*

in the penal sum of *Six Hundred Dollars*

conditioned for the payment of the full and just sum of *Three Hundred Dollars* in the inter-
est thereon at the Rate of seven per cent per annum,
on or before the 1st of January the day of April which will be in
the Year one Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy three

and by the said Bond and Obligation thereof, reference being thereunto had, will more fully appear.

Now know all men that *I* the said *William Bail*

in consideration of the said debt and sum of money aforesaid, and for the better securing the payment thereof to the said
Martha E. Rogers

and in consideration of the said Bond and also in consideration of the further sum of three dollars to *me* the said
William Bail

in and by the said *Martha E. Rogers*

have before the sealing and delivery of these Presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,

do hereby warrant, bargain, sell and release unto the said
Martha E. Rogers All that certain piece of land or Lot of
land with the buildings thereon, Situate lying and being
on the side of Church Street in the city of Charleston
measuring and containing in front
of the said lot a frontage of five feet four inches
more or less as to the depth three (3) feet six inches be-
ing more or less. Butting and bounding to the north
on the lot of J. S. Sullivan to the back on land
belonging to the South on Church Street
and to the East on land conveyed by the said
Martha E. Rogers to Mr. William A. Soper on the 5th day
of April 1868 the said Lot of land being conveyed being
the entire portion of a Lot of land at the corner of the
Church Street and Orange Street purchased by the said
Martha E. Rogers from Eliza or Phillips on the 5th day of
March 1868 the said Subdivision being recorded in the
Office of the Register of Deeds in Charleston for a certain

The Bond secured by this Mortgage having been duly paid and the same has been duly cancelled and the same is hereby acknowledged by the said William Bail and Martha E. Rogers this 12th day of August 1871

APPENDIX B – CHAIN OF TITLE

Date	Book & Page	Grantor	Grantee	Type	Lot Size	Price	Comments
01 MAR 1884	D20 – 27	Eliza McCarthy	Charles Blake	Probate	21' x 73'9"	\$1,400	Auction to settle debts
29 JUN 1920	P29 – 285	Charles Blake	Hyman Bluestein	Regular Sale	No Change	\$2,450	
10 MAR 1924	N30 – 275	Hyman Bluestein	Jane Raisin Mary Lazarus	Regular Sale	No Change	\$3,600	
29 NOV 1930	E36 – 238	Hyman Bluestein (by widow)	Jane Raisin	Regular Sale	No Change	\$10	Renegotiated Sale
30 SEP 1944	H44 – 679	Jane Raisin	Abraham Brown	Regular Sale	42' x 73'8"		

10 DEC 1878 to 01 MAR 1884 - Eliza and JJ Bateson/McCarthy

The initial mortgage taken out by James JB and Eliza McCarthy from the Phoenix Building and Loan Association for the property that is now known as 1 Lapp's Court. The McCarthys have financial difficulties possibly brought on by the husband's tuberculosis, and take out a second mortgage of \$300 in 1883 from James Redding. James JB dies in October of 1883. The family is unable to make ends meet, and Eliza is forced to auction the property in a court ordered sale. The property is auctioned off in March, 1884 to Charles Blake.

01 MAR 1884 to 29 JUN 1920 – Charles Blake

Charles Blake owns the property from 1884 to 1920 before selling the property to a Jewish merchant, Hyman Bluestein.

29 JUN 1920 to 10 MAR 1924 – Hyman Bluestein

Hyman Bluestein is an émigré from Russian and is a Jewish merchant in Charleston. In 1924 he sells the property to sister's in law Jane and Mary. Mary's father is a rabbi in Charleston, and that is how the families know each other.

10 MAR 1924 to 29 NOV 1930 – Jane Raisin and Mary Lazarus

Jane Raisin and Mary Lazarus are related through marriage, and buy the property from a member of Jane's rabbi father's congregation.

29 NOV 1930 to 30 SEP 1944 – Jane Raisin

Hyman Bluestein has died by this point, and his widow adjusts the original sale of the property to finalize it for \$10 due to the links between the families.

30 SEP 1944 to Present

Abraham Brown buys the property, which by now has been consolidated with a neighboring lot, doubling the street frontage.

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