

HAYWARD'S HOMESTEAD MAPLE STREET

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In 1786 Nehemiah Hayward (The Sire) purchases 118 acres of land from Samuel Bridges in what was then Mile Slip, an unincorporated and thus untaxed bit of land lying between Milford and Wilton. In 1818 he deeded his property to his son Nehemiah Jr. (John Bellmont in *Our Nig*) and daughter Sally. Sally Hayward (Aunt Abby) would have "the right of occupying one undivided half of all buildings except the barn," during her lifetime.

Nehemiah Hayward married Rebecca S. Hutchinson (Mrs. B.) in 1806. When the family moved to Baltimore in 1849, the property passes to Nehemiah P Hayward and his wife Prudence. They then sold the property to his brother Charles. Charles sold the property to his sister Betsy and her husband David Hutchinson.

A photo taken in 1938 by Elizabeth Hayward Hutchinson Patterson, granddaughter of David, identifies this home as the Hayward Homestead, the home where Harriet Wilson would have been indentured.