Through the courtesy of Mrs. Mary Dent Slye, we were permitted to make a microfilm copy of survey notes made by her grandfather, George Bennett Dent, who was the County Surveyor of St. Mary's County for several decades in the latter part of the nineteenth century. It is obvious from their condition that these valuable notes have been consulted frequently. It is anticipated that the microfilm copies placed in our stacks and in the St. Mary's County Library at Leonardtown will reduce the wear and tear on the originals. It is our hope that ultimately the originals will also find their way to State ownership. In the meanwhile, the microfilm record will prove invaluable.

One other acquisition should be mentioned. After long search we have given up hope of ever finding the Maryland Charter. The oldest manuscript copy extant seems to be one of 1734, now in the Library of the House of Lords in London. A microfilm copy was purchased and several projection prints have been made from the film copy.

ALLEGANY COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Chattel and Miscellaneous, 1951-1952, 4 volumes (microfilm). Land Records Index, W's, 1791-1850, 1 volume (microfilm).

ALLEGANY COUNTY REGISTER OF WILLS

Orphans' Court Proceedings, 1888-1895, 1897-1953, 66 volumes (microfilm, some retakes).

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY REGISTER OF WILLS

Accounts, 1850-1897, 7 volumes (microfilm). Inventories, 1853-1952, 22 volumes (microfilm). Wills, 1820-1864, 4 volumes (microfilm, retakes).

BALTIMORE CITY SUPERIOR COURT

Land Records, 1834-1897 (scattered dates), 131 volumes (111353-11483).

BALTIMORE COUNTY REGISTER OF WILLS

Orphans' Court Proceedings, 1931-1954, 38 volumes (microfilm). Orphans' Court Proceedings Index, 1931-1947, 2 volumes (microfilm).

CAROLINE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Chattel Mortgages, 1952-1953, 2 volumes (microfilm).

CARROLL COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Chattel Mortgages, 1953, 1 volume (microfilm). Chattel Records, 1953, 1 volume (microfilm).