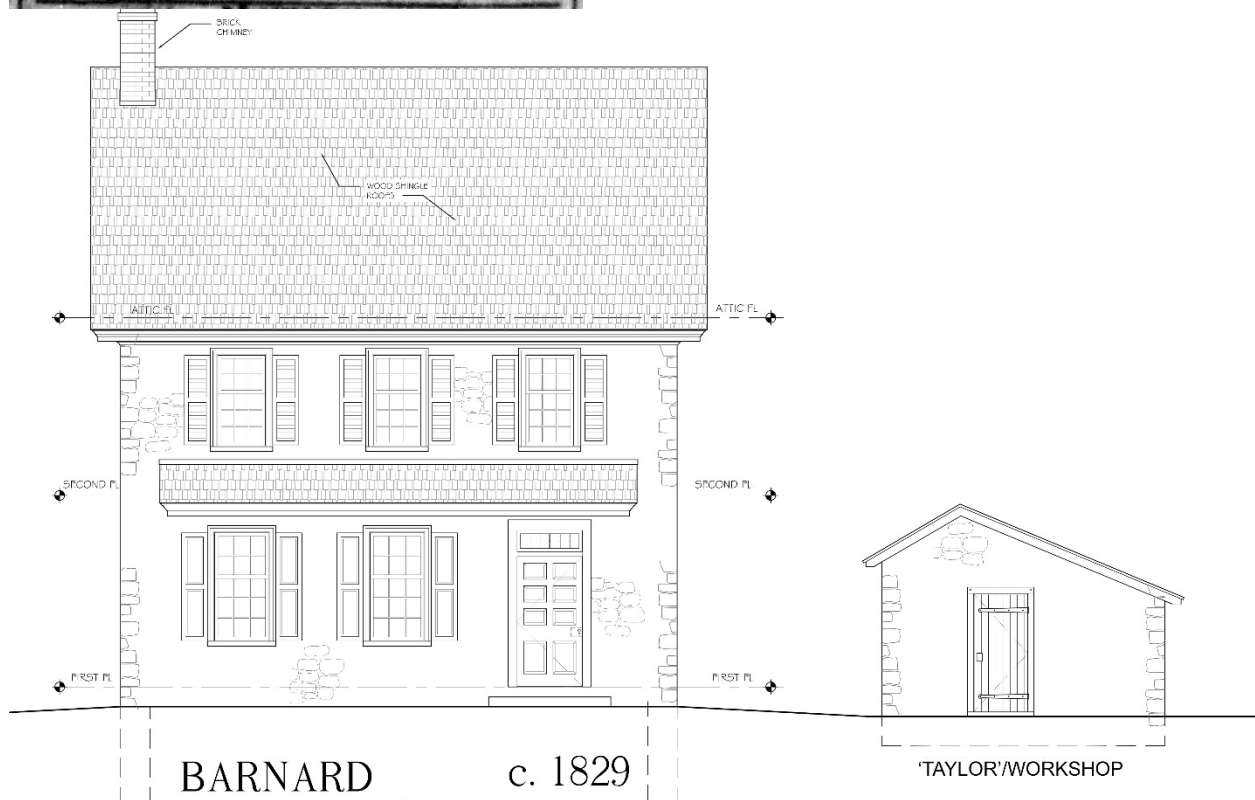


## 1824 Village Record Advertisement

**PRIVATE SALE.**  
 A parcel of land, situate in the township of Pennsbury, Chester county, containing 130 acres, more or less, bounded by lands of Isaac Taylor, Benjamin House, Thomas Martin and others. There are between 15 and 20 acres of Wood land. Percopson creek runs through the premises. The improvements are a good Dwelling house, with a Taylor shop attached and a good Barn, in the Kitchen there is a well of good water, there is likewise a good Apple orchard on the place. Persons wishing to view the property will be shown it by applying to  
**WILLIAM HARRY, Attorney,**  
 For Absalom Harry.  
 Jan. 29, 1824. 275

In 1824 Absalom Harry posted an advertisement in the Village Record newspaper announcing the sale of property he had inherited from his brother Amos, who had recently passed away. The property was purchased by Enos Painter in 1826 with the intent of allowing his daughter Sarah to use it as her future home. Sarah married Eusebius Barnard in 1829 and moved into the house shortly afterwards.



The advertisement lists a 'well of good water' and a 'Taylor shop'. The well likely went 20 or more feet into the ground until it reached the water table. The Taylor shop was not for making clothes (tailor) as we understand today, but instead was a term meaning mechanical / workshop space. Both exist today.



The well is in the basement and has been mostly filled with stone.



The unattached Taylor building was incorporated into the household in 1841 during the expansion with a door connecting to the new kitchen. A portion of the Taylor building was likely used as a keeping room (walk in pantry and food preparation area).

Today the Taylor building is used for the Visitors Center and bathroom.

