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Locks-Bannister House

Mutual Vicinity

Private

c. 1830's

This one and a half story frame house originally consisted of a principal block with a smaller one story kitchen attached to the western gable. That principal block had a side hall passage single parlor plan. Its original owners are unknown, but in 1879 the property was purchased by Richard Locks, a Negro farmer.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC THE LOCKS-BANNISTER HOUSE
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER South side of Gray's Rd., .5 mile west of Jct. of Gray's Rd. and G. Groome's Island Rd.
CITY, TOWN Mutual VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
STATE Md. COUNTY CALVERT

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Edward and Mary Bowens Telephone #:
STREET & NUMBER Gray's Road
CITY, TOWN Mutual VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Md.

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, LIBER #: G.W.D. 6
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Folio #: 204
STREET & NUMBER Clavert Coutny Courthouse
CITY, TOWN Prince Frederick STATE Md.

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE NONE
DATE
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
CITY, TOWN STATE

_FEDERAL _STATE _COUNTY _LOCAL

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This moderately sized, one and a half story frame house faces north toward Gray's Rd. According to its occupant and owner, Mary Bowens, it originally consisted of a principal block with a facade of two bays and with a floor plan of a ^dside hall passage with 1 room downstairs and 2 upstairs. Attached to the western gable end was a small 1 story kitchen. Mrs. Bowens' father raised the roof of the kitchen to match that of the principal block and added the dormer windows not long after his wife, Annie Gro^s's Bannister, bought the house and property in 1906.

The size, design, and floor plan of the original house and the design of the stairway, door trims, and ⁿmantlepiece are almost identical to those in the house of _____ Gray who lives c. 1 1/2 miles to the west down Gray's Rd. Merry Stinson, the former draftsman with the St. Mary's City Commission, had seen these features in houses dated to the 1830's in _____ along Gray's Rd. St. Mary's County. The connection between these twin houses is not yet clear, though their date of construction is probably at the same time as that of similar houses in nearby St. Mary's.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

Black History
Social History

SPECIFIC DATES	c. 1830's	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

According to the deed S.S.1/561 in the Calvert County Courthouse, Richard Locks bought this land from Walter W. Dorsey in 1879, land that Dorsey had bought at the estate sale ^{of} (which no records were registered) of Benjamin Locks, deceased. Mary Bowles and her sister Mrs. Thomas M. Gray (CLVT-GM-) remember that Richard Locks, the man from whom their mother ^{ANNIE BANNISTER} bought the property ^{was} a black farmer, but the identity of Benjamin Locks is unknown. Probably he was Richard's father. Whether or not he was a free black during slavery living in this house, ^{AND} how ^{AND} when he came in possession of this property are unknown, since the necessary records perished in the Calvert County Courthouse fire in 1883. Thus much of the early history of this house is lost.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

George W. McDaniel, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Md. Commission on Afro-American History & Culture

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

20 Dean Street

TELEPHONE

269-2893

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis, Maryland

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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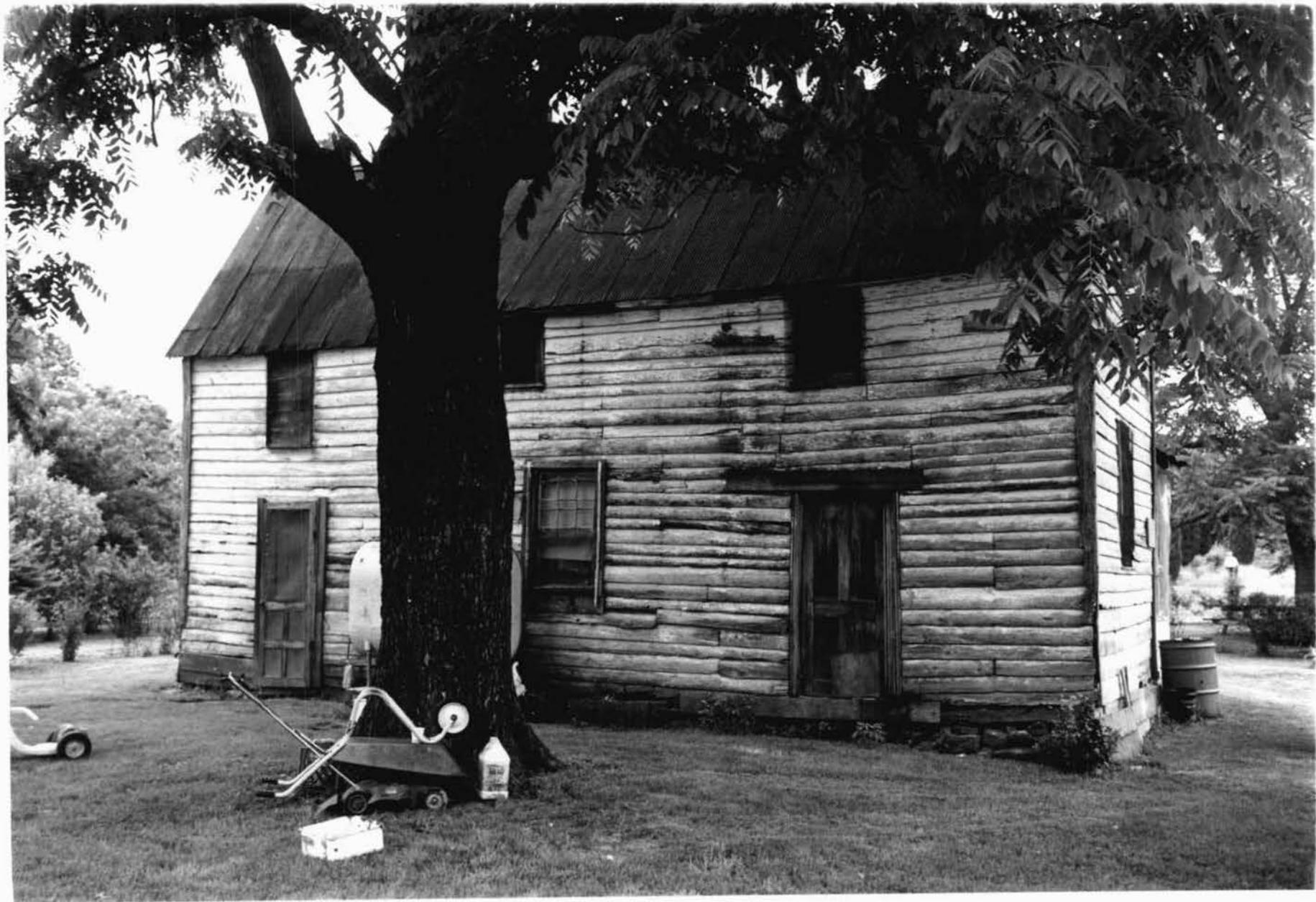
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S. View



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LOUIS - BARRISTER

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MANTLE



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CLVT - 181

Mutual, Md.

GWM - 5/77

Bannister