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Form 10-445
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1. STATE *Maryland*
 COUNTY *Cecil County*
 TOWN *Perryville* VICINITY *Aiken*
 STREET NO. *St. Mark's Church Road*
 ORIGINAL OWNER
 ORIGINAL USE *Religious*
 PRESENT OWNER *Vestry of St. Mark's Church*
 PRESENT USE *Religious*
 WALL CONSTRUCTION *masonry + stucco*
 NO. OF STORIES *1*

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY
 CE-116 INVENTORY CE-116
 2. NAME *St. Mark's Church*
 DATE OR PERIOD *c. 1830's*
 STYLE
 ARCHITECT
 BUILDER
 3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION
 OPEN TO PUBLIC *yes*

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered *No* Interior *good* Exterior *good*

6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)  *1 b&w neg & contact*
 7. PHOTOGRAPH *Coln 2256*

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)
 INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER
Michael Bourne
Maryland Historical Trust
 DATE OF RECORD *Dec. 27, 1967*

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE

St. Mark's Church

CE-116

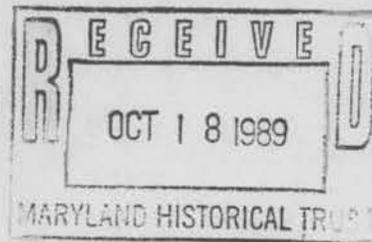
St. Mark's was erected in 1844 as a "chapel of ease" to St. Mary Anne's Church in North East for the convenience of families living in the vicinity of Perryville and Port Deposit who found it difficult to travel the 9 or 10 miles to St. Mary Anne's Church. It was included in Elk Necks Parish, which was founded in 1706, until a subdivision of that parish in 1913 resulted in its being included in the newly formed Susquehanna Parish. At that time it was re-designated a church.

Built on land donated by the Gale-Chamberlaine families, it was originally a small, exceedingly simple gabled structure. The main entrance, facing south, was located in the gable end. A small belfrey surmounting it at roof level was built then or added later. This rectangular, unadorned structure, with only two clear-glass windows on each side, was subject to numerous changes, repairs and additions over the years. In 1866, a chancel was added, and between 1896 and 1900, reredos, altar rail, bell, furnace and pipe organ were installed, and the windows enlarged with the addition of stained glass.

According to the Cecil Democrat (November 28, 1957) St. Mark's Episcopal Church was reconstructed in 1957. Interior walls were removed, new concrete block side walls added and the chancel was widened and deepened. In the middle decades of the twentieth century a bell tower was constructed in the center of the entrance facade. Supposedly very little if any of the original church furnishings remain.



Maryland Department of Transportation
State Highway Administration



Richard H. Trainor
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October 16, 1989

RE: I-95 Truck Weigh Station/
Toll Plaza
Cecil County, Maryland

CE-856

Mr. Rodney Little
State Historic Preservation Officer
Maryland Historical Trust
21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Little:

Thank you for your August 31, 1989 letter requesting additional information concerning St. Mark's Church (CE 116). It is included as Attachment 1. We do not believe it retains sufficient integrity to warrant inclusion in the Register.

As regards the Brookland Log House (CE 117) our proposed boundary, coterminous with the tax parcel, is indicated on Attachment 2. As you can see from the photogrammetric map, the house is located in a clearing and is surrounded by a substantial band of woods, none of which would be disturbed by our project. No property would be required from the historic site boundary. The area north of the site would be utilized as a parking area for the inspection station.

We do not believe the site would be impacted and seek your concurrence in the same by November 15, 1989.

Very truly yours,

Louis H. Ege, Jr.
Deputy Director
Office of Planning and
Preliminary Engineering

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Project Planning Division

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Attachments (2)
cc: Mr. Ron Rye

My telephone number is (301) 333-1177