

D-666
Old Saxon Hardware Store
East New Market
private

c. 1860-1880

The old Saxon hardware store is one of three nineteenth-century frame commercial buildings that define the crossroads business district of East New Market. In contrast to the other two structures, the old hardware store is a two-story structure sheathed with pressed metal siding and covered by a standing seam tin roof. A building approaching the size of the front section is designated on the 1877 county atlas under the name of a Mrs. Newton.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common SAXON'S HARDWARE STORE

2. Location

street & number School Street not for publicationcity, town East New Market vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Dorchester

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input 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"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Dorchester County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Dorchester County Courthouse folio

city, town Cambridge state MD 21613

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. D-666

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 of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The old Saxon hardware store stands on the north side of School Street within the center block of East New Market, Dorchester County, Maryland. The two-story gable-front frame structure faces south with the gable oriented on a north/south axis.

Built around 1860-1880, the two-story frame commercial building is supported by a minimal brick foundation and sheathed with a layer of pressed metal sheathing. The steeply pitched gable roof is covered with a layer of standing seam tin. Attached to the back of the front block is a long single-story metal addition that has been partially fitted with storefronts.

The south (main) two-bay elevation is an asymmetrical facade with large glass display windows defining the southeast corner. Paneled knee walls fill the space below the windows and a simple cornice stretches across the top of the windows. The western bay is filled with a door that leads to a stair for access to the second floor apartment. The second floor is marked by a pair of evenly spaced six-over-six sash windows, and a small vent is fixed in the upper gable. The eaves to the roof are slightly extended.

The east and west sides are asymmetrical elevations with various six-over-six sash windows lighting the first and second floors. Attached to the back of the front block is a long single-story metal sheathed addition. The east side of the addition is marked by a single storefront. A narrow brick stove stack rises through the roof.

The interior was not seen.

8. Significance

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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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input 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 checked="" 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		

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or

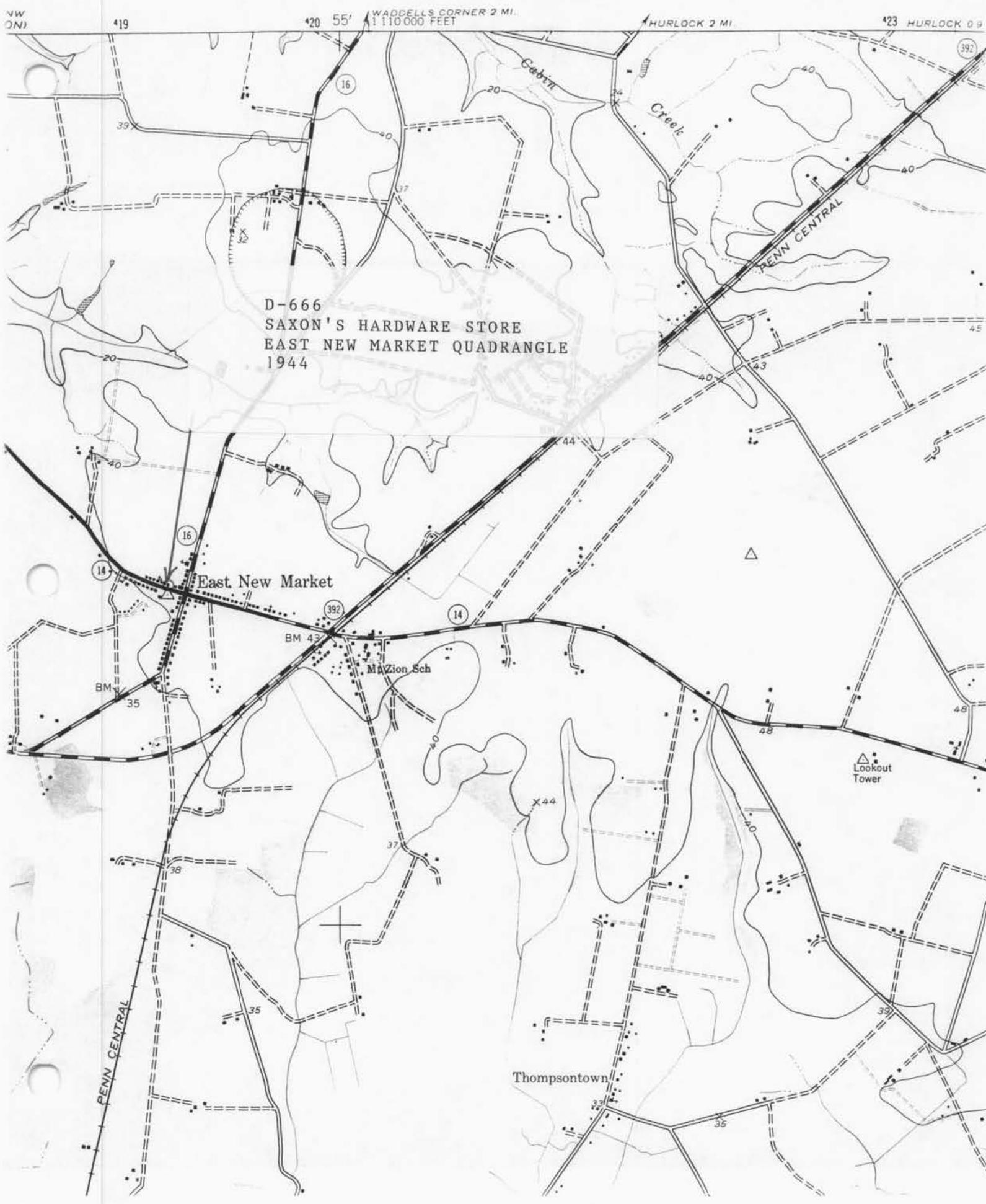
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The old Saxon hardware store is one of three frame commercial buildings that still define the crossroads of East New Market. In contrast to the other two single-story buildings, the hardware store is a two-story structure covered with pressed metal siding and sheathed with a standing seam tin roof. Large plate-glass display windows with paneled knee walls mark the southeast corner. The building is extended to the rear by a long single-story addition that is partially converted into commercial space. A structure approaching the size of the front section appears on the 1877 town map under the name of Mrs. Newton.

EAST NEW MARKET QUADRANGLE
MARYLAND
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)



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EAST NEW MARKET QUADRANGLE
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SAXON HARDWARE STORE

East New Market, Dorchester Co., MD

Southwest elevation

12/87 Paul Touart photographer

Negative/MD Historical Trust



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SAXON HARDWARE STORE

East New Market, Dorchester Co., MD

Southeast elevation

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