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Tubman House
East New Market
private

c. 1890, c. 1850

The Tubman house illustrates a different history of construction from most houses in East New Market. The two-story two-room plan service wing predates the front section of the house. Dating to the middle years of the nineteenth century, the rear wing is finished with wide pine floors and Greek Revival style door moldings. The front half of the house, on the other hand, is fitted with late nineteenth-century Victorian mantels and and bulls-eye corner block surrounds. A double wall thickness between the living room and dining room also suggests two separate periods.

A house is located on the 1877 East New Market town map under the name of Mrs. Hubbard, however, the configuration of the dwelling is somewhat unusual. Two squarish sections are off-set and linked by a short section of common wall. Evidently the original front section was torn down during the later nineteenth century and replaced with the current side hall/parlor structure.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic TURMAN HOUSEand/or common SIMMONS HOUSE

2. Location

street & number 10 RAILROAD AVENUE not for publicationcity, town EAST NEW MARKET vicinity of congressional district FIRSTstate MARYLAND county DORCHESTER

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input checked="" 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 Howard and Judy Simmonsstreet & number 10 Railroad Avenue telephone no.:city, town East New Market state and zip code MD 21631

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Dorchester Clerk of County Court liberstreet & number Dorchester County Courthouse foliocity, town Cambridge state MD 21613

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Maryland Historic Sites Inventorydate 1985 federal state county localpository for survey records Maryland Historical Trustcity, town Annapolis state Md 21401

7. Description

Survey No. D-691

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 Tubman house, also known as the Howard Simmons house, stands at 10 Railroad Avenue in the center of East New Market, Dorchester County, Maryland. The two-story, three-bay frame house faces south with the principal gable oriented on an east/west axis.

Built in two distinct stages, the earliest section of the ell-shaped house is the rear two-story service wing which dates to the middle years of the nineteenth century. The front part of the house was attached during the years surrounding the turn of the twentieth century. A single-story one-room bedroom addition extended the main block westward around 1947-1948. Supported by a minimal brick foundation the two-story house is sheathed with aluminum siding and covered by a steeply pitched asphalt shingle roof.

The south (main) facade is an asymmetrical three-bay elevation with a side entrance and flanking single-pane sash windows. The front door is distinguished by an oval glass, and the windows are flanked by aluminum shutters. Stretching across the entire first floor is a turned post, hip roof porch. The second floor is lighted by three unevenly spaced single-pane sash windows. The cornice is boxed and trimmed with period molding.

The west gable end is covered on the first floor by the single story 1947-1948 bedroom addition, while the second floor is lighted by a single-pane sash window. The east end, on the other hand, is pierced by pairs of single-pane sash on each floor to either side of an interior end brick stove stack. The eaves are slightly extended with short returns at the base of the roof.

Extending to the north is a two-story, two-room plan service wing that predates the front block. The service wing is partially covered on the east side with a two-story shed roofed bathroom addition that fills the inside corner of the ell. The rest of the service wing is covered by a single story shed roofed enclosed porch. Brick stacks rise from the north gable end and against the north wall of the front block.

The interior dates appropriately from two different periods. The rear wing has a few surviving mid nineteenth-century door surrounds as well as wide pine flooring. The front section is finished with late nineteenth-century woodwork. A Victorian mantel is fixed on the east wall, and a large square newel post anchors a turned baluster stair. A double wall thickness is clearly evident between the living room and dining room.

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
<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 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 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 Tubman house is an interesting example of a ell-shaped dwelling that dates from two distinct periods. The rear two-story service wing, finished with mid nineteenth-century moldings, was clearly erected first, while the front section was evidently added around 1890-1900. A double wall thickness between the dining room and living room suggest this construction history along with substantial differences in the style of woodwork between sections.

A structure appears on this lot on the 1877 East New Market atlas map, it the configuration of the house does not follow a simple ell shape. Instead, one front section is off-set from the back. Evidently the old front half of the dwelling was replaced with the turn of the century side hall/parlor frame addition. The owner at that time of the atlas map was a Mrs. Hubbard.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
 21 STATE CIRCLE
 SHAW HOUSE
 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET
 Individual Structure Survey Form

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER: D-691

UTM REFERENCES:
 Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE: RESIDENTIAL

ORIGINAL USE:

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:
 Excellent () Good (X)
 Fair () Poor: ()

THEME:

STYLE:

DATE BUILT:

COUNTY: Dorchester

TOWN: East New Market

LOCATION: Railroad Avenue
Route 14
East New Market

COMMON NAME: SIMMONS HOUSE

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: dwelling/ residential

OWNER: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Simmons
 ADDRESS: same as above

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:
 Yes (X) No () Restricted ()

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:
 Local (X) State () National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System Stuccoed w/

- Foundation: Stone () Brick (X) Concrete (X) Concrete Block ()
- Wall Structure
 - Wood Frame: Post and Beam () Balloon ()
 - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick () Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 - Iron () D. Steel () E. Other:
- Wall Covering: Clapboard () Board and Batten () Wood Shingle () Shiplap ()
 Novelty () Stucco () Sheet Metal () Aluminum (X) Asphalt Shingle ()
 Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer ()
 bonding Pattern: Other:
- Roof Structure
 - Truss: Wood (X) Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle (X) Sheet Metal ()
 Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches () Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys () Sheds () Ells ()
 Wings () Other:

Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip () Shed () Flat () Mansard () Gambrel () Jerkinhead ()
 Saw Tooth () With Monitor () With Bellcast () With Parapet () With False Front ()
 Other:

Number of Stories: 2 1/2

Number of Bays: 3

Approximate Dimensions: _____

Entrance Location: 1ST BAY

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:
 No Threat () Zoning () Roads ()
 Development () Deterioration ()
 Alteration (X) Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:
 Positive (X) Negative ()
 Mixed () Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

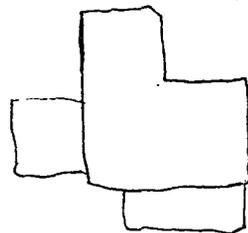
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RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Open Lane()Woodland()Scattered Buildings()
- Moderately Built Up(x)Densely Built Up()
- Residential()Commercial()
- Agricultural()Industrial()
- Roadside Strip Development()
- Other:

RECORDED BY:

East New Market Historic District Commission

ORGANIZATION:

Summer, 1985

DATE RECORDED:

Sara Rossing

PROPERTY OF MR. AND MRS. HOWARD SIMMONS

1½ story, L-shaped structure covered with aluminum siding. Gabled roof with asphalt tile. 3 bays wide, entrance in 1st; 2 bays deep. Door is asymmetrical to remainder of the building. 1 inside chimney at right gable. There is a square 1 story addition with flat roof on the left (built around 1960).

There is a veranda supported by 4 turned columns. Windows 1 over 1 with replaced aluminum shutters. There is an oval bevelled glass light in top of door with a recessed panel underneath. Wide door surround.

In the L there is a 2 story bathroom and enclosed portion that appears to have been a 1 story open porch.

In the rear section windows 2 over 2 and 2 bays wide. In ½ story at gable, windows are 4 over 4. Chimney on the ridge. 3 bays wide left side.

Boxed cornices with returns. Has architrave.

Brick foundation has been covered with stucco in older section and the addition has cement block base.

OUTBUILDINGS

1. This building that was once a Carriage House has a front gabled, original wood shingled roof. Vertical board construction with swinging doors. Exposed rafters.

2. Adjacent building has gabled, asphalt tile roof with vertical board construction.

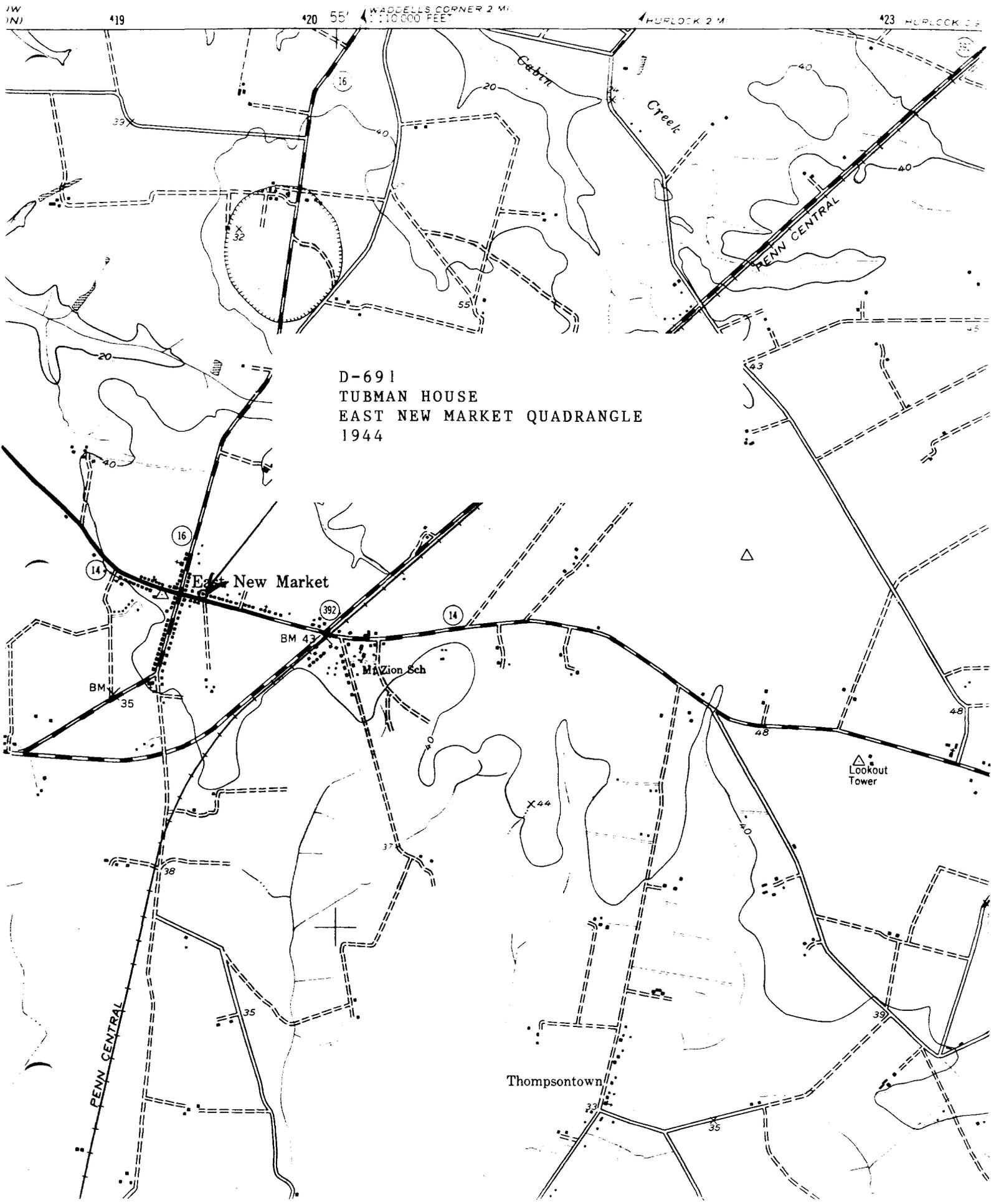
RESEARCH

The Simmons House

You 'll get more info on this one, but so far we know it was part of Josephine Dean's estate when she died in 1856. She had purchased the property in 1841, as a vacant lot, but '41 to '56 is a 15 year span. The tax records should help. I said that wrong - when she purchased what is Mary L. Lawrence's house in 1841, the land with it included this lot. When she died, this house was there, but not the one in between.

This house was involved in so many court cases that Kirk's comment was, "I really earned my money on this one!" He's still working on it in order to really understand what was going on - I have found some family records that I think will help - a case of two marriages and two families with irons in the fire, so to speak. We have to go through all the dirty linen in order to find out if the house was or was not standing at these times.

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MARYLAND
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)



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TUBMAN HOUSE
EAST NEW MARKET QUADRANGLE
1944

East New Market

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HOWARD SIMMONS HOUSE

East New Market, Dorchester Co., MD

South elevation

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