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JOSHUA GREEN HOUSE  
Havre de Grace, Md.

c. 1814

The Joshua Green House is a two and a half story, three bay, rectangular frame dwelling with a gable flank roof. When clapboards on the first floor, north side of the front elevation were removed for replacement in 1975-1976, it was discovered that they concealed logs. Further structural investigation will be necessary to determine how much of the house is log. Although Havre de Grace was well known throughout the 19th century as a reshipment port for timber from Pennsylvania, no other log buildings have been discovered.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**  
 HISTORIC Joshua Green House  
 AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**  
 STREET & NUMBER 140 St. John Street  
 CITY, TOWN Havre de Grace VICINITY OF \_\_\_\_\_ CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 6  
 STATE Maryland COUNTY Harford

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input 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 type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input 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 William T. Barnes Telephone #: 939- 3264  
 STREET & NUMBER 622 Girard Street  
 CITY, TOWN Havre de Grace VICINITY OF \_\_\_\_\_ STATE, zip code Maryland 21078

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**  
 COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County Liber #: 569  
 STREET & NUMBER Main Street Folio #: 371  
 CITY, TOWN Bel Air STATE Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**  
 TITLE \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_ LOCAL \_\_\_\_\_  
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY, TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

2/10/76

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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

## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

140 St. John Street is a two and a half story, three bay by one bay, rectangular frame dwelling with a gable flank roof.

German siding covers the one story frame addition on the rear. Believed to have been built in the late 18th or early 19th century, the house faces east on the corner of St. John Street and Pennington Ave. looking towards the Susquehanna River. It is thought that the northern half of the structure was originally a log house. When some clapboards on the front and north elevation were removed for replacement in 1975-1976, logs were exposed. The house, presently used as a boarding house, is in poor condition.

Across the front of the house is an above grade, one story veranda that extends one bay beyond the facade and wraps around the south elevation. It has four bays on the front, two on the side, fence railing broken by columns on stone piers and a flat roof.

All of the windows have been replaced with 1/1 lights, but appear to retain older framing.

The main entrance is in the center bay, front elevation. It has a single light transom. The door is a six panel door with the upper panel replaced with glass.

The house has a slate, gable roof with a molded box cornice that returns slightly at the gable ends. At each end of the ridge is a decorative black finial, similar to those on the two front dormers. A rectangular brick chimney straddles the ridge of the roof on the north elevation. A narrow brick exterior chimney is on the rear of the wing. The dormer windows appear to have been added or replaced during the late 19th century; they have gable roofs and are sided with imbricated shingles.

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**MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

1814 Tax Assesment-  
Harford County

Minutes of Commisioner's  
Meetings-Havre de Grace

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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

Marion Morton-Historic Sites Surveyor

4/5/77

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis,

STATE

Maryland

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  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

Land Records

140 St. John St.

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GRG 569 371

April 15, 1961

Grantor: Joseph H. Durbin (widower)  
Grantees: Cornelius Smith and Helen, his wife

JAR 164 389

Oct. 28, 1918

Grantors: Sylvester E. Penning and Alice, his wife  
Grantees: Joseph H. Durbin and Olivia, his wife  
Part of lot 152, square 264. "Beginning for the same at a point on the west side of St. John St. at a granite slab or stone set in the ground 1' 6'' from the foundation wall of the old house.  
\$500.00

WSF 109 324

June 12, 1903

Grantors: Virginia L. Frieze and William, her husband  
Grantee: Sylvester E. Penning  
\$500.00 lot 152 and 161 in square 264. Belonging to heirs of Joshua Green.

WSF 102 232

June 12, 1901

Grantor: William Frieze  
Grantee: Elizabeth Frieze  
\$1000.00

WSF 90 96

April 26, 1897

Grantor: Willie S. Frieze and Virginia L., his wife  
Grantee: J. Thompson Frieze  
\$1000.00

ALJ 31 130

Sept. 4, 1874

Grantor: George Green  
Grantee: Elizabeth Frieze  
for one hundred gold dollars

HD T 381

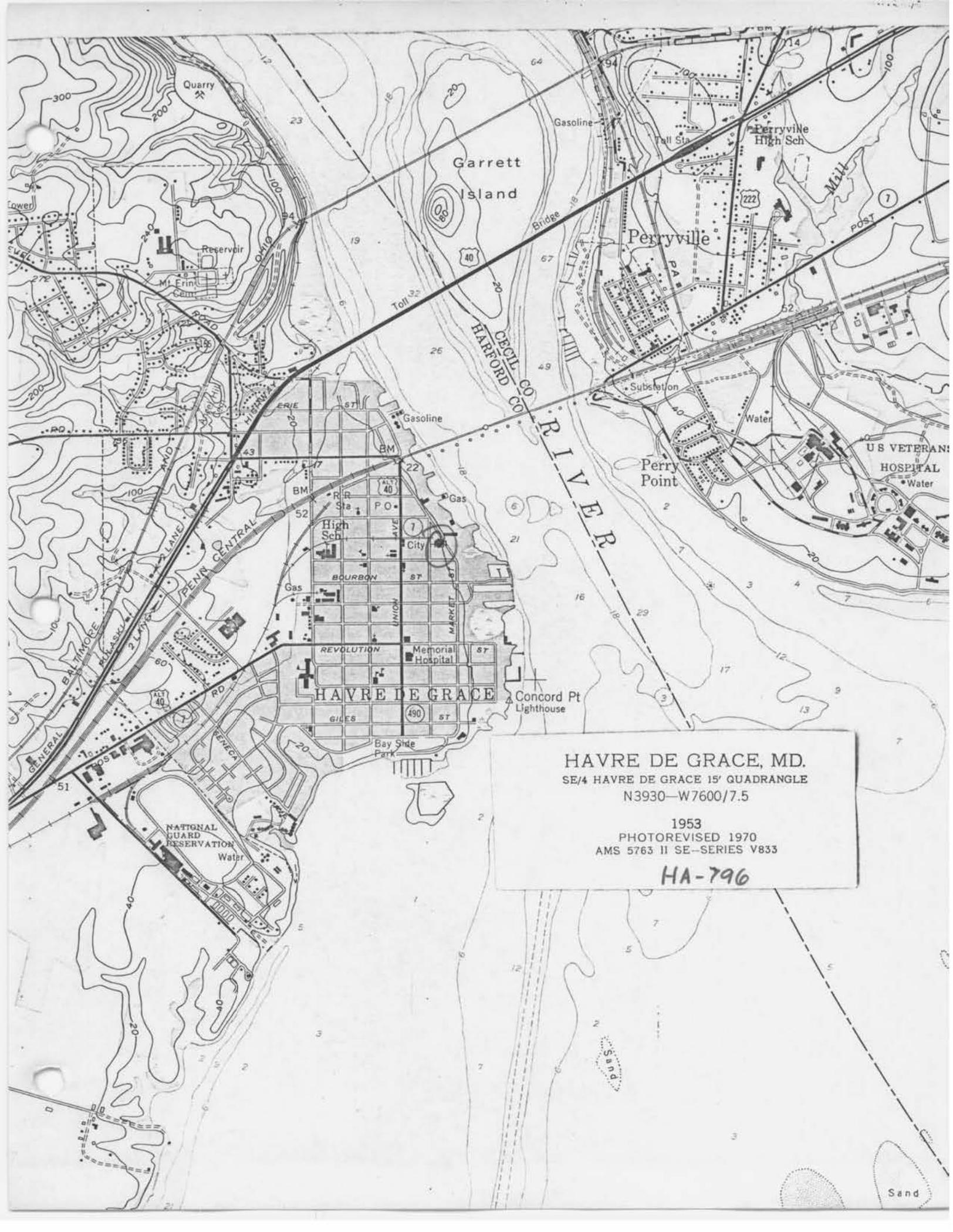
July 20, 1808

Grantor: Samuel Jay  
Grantee: Joshua Green  
\$120.00 2 lots with all improvements and appurtenances, 161 and 152

HD T 379

Grantor: William B. Stokes  
Grantee: Samuel Jay  
\$90.00 2 lots with improvements and appurtenances thereon 161 and 152

Marion Morton



HAVRE DE GRACE, MD.  
SE/4 HAVRE DE GRACE 15' QUADRANGLE  
N3930—W7600/7.5

1953  
PHOTOREVISED 1970  
AMS 5763 II SE—SERIES V833

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Joshua Green House  
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Southeast Elevation

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Joshua Green House  
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East Facade

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