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Kings Prevention  
Broad Neck  
c. 1820

Kings Prevention is situated across Langford Creek from the Reward. Essentially it is an early 19th Century farmhouse which was incorporated into a larger house in the 20th Century. In its original state, the house faced south and the drive came in from the west.

The south wall of the house had three bays and was laid in Flemish bond. The north wall lacks a center window on the second story. It, as well as the gable ends are laid in common bond. While there is neither water table, nor belt course, there is a three course corbeled cornice, usually an indication of construction in the 1820's. The kitchen wing was most likely located on the west gable, as there is a bricked-in door on that side.

When the house was remodeled in the 20th century, a two story frame wing was built on the south side, concealing two of the three bays. The plan of the house was also changed to a single room in the old section with fireplace at each end, eliminating the evidence of its probable hall-parlor plan.

Although built thirty or forty years later, Kings Prevention's form and fenestration resembled Dunkan's Folly and Worth's Folly near the Cecil Meeting House. On both the 1860 and 1877 maps, the property appears to have been in the possession of Joseph J. Maslin. The name "Kings Prevention" is derived from a 34 acre parcel of land patented to Elias King in 1695.<sup>1</sup>

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1. Patents, Lib. C 3, fol. 491.

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Kings Prevention  
Chestertown  
Private

Early 19th Century

King's Prevention is an early 19th century brick farmhouse with modern interior and wings. It has a Flemish bond facade, enclosed end chimneys and corbelled brick cornice. The house is two stories tall and three bays wide. Also on the property are interesting Victorian barns.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Kings Prevention

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Broad Neck, on the way to Langford Bay Estates

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Kent

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	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mrs. Constance Larabee

Telephone #: (301) 778-3611

STREET & NUMBER

Kings Prevention

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21620

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Kent County Courthouse

Liber #: EHP 64

Folio #: 414

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Chestertown

STATE

Maryland 21620

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL     STATE     COUNTY     LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<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**

Kings Prevention is a three bay, two story brick dwelling with modern side and rear wings. The house, which appears to date from the second quarter of the 19th century, is located on Broad Neck near Lovely Cove, about two miles south of the village of Langford.

It is a central hall building with two rooms per floor; the main entrance is slightly off-center in order to accomodate an interior stair. A modern gable roof entrance porch with round columns and benches shelters the door.

Chimneys with corbelled caps are enclosed in both gables. The roof which is covered with wooden shingles has no dormers and is finished against plain barge boards.

Use of Flemish bond brick on the present rear facade shows that the house originally faced the water. Windows on the facade are also treated ornamentally with rowlock arches on above-grade windows and flat arches on the basement windows.

Elsewhere windows have no arches and main entrance a rowlock arch. There is no belt course or water table and remaining walls are Liverpool bond. The cornice consists of three corbelled courses of brick.

Windows have replacement 6/6 sash and plain trim with a backband molding. Sills are wooden and project slightly from the wall surface. There are no shutters. Besides windows in the long facade there are two windows in the west gable and tiny attic windows.

The house is greatly altered. Besides the disappearance of early wings, the interior of the house is almost entirely recent. Also a cellar entrance on the south facade and attic windows on the east gable have been brick in.

The house is well maintained and surrounded by well kept lawns. Near the house is a handsome, shingled Victorian barn and a pair of Victorian cribs.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 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 Early 19th century

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Kings Prevention house is important as an example of early 19th century farm building. The Victorian barns are also interesting and increasingly rare: examples of service buildings of their period. It is interesting to note the change of the house's main facade from front to rear, i.e. reflecting the change in water and land use patterns since the beginning of the last century.

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**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

Marsha L. Fritz, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Kent County Historical Society

DATE

September, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

Church Alley

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Chestertown

STATE

Maryland 21620

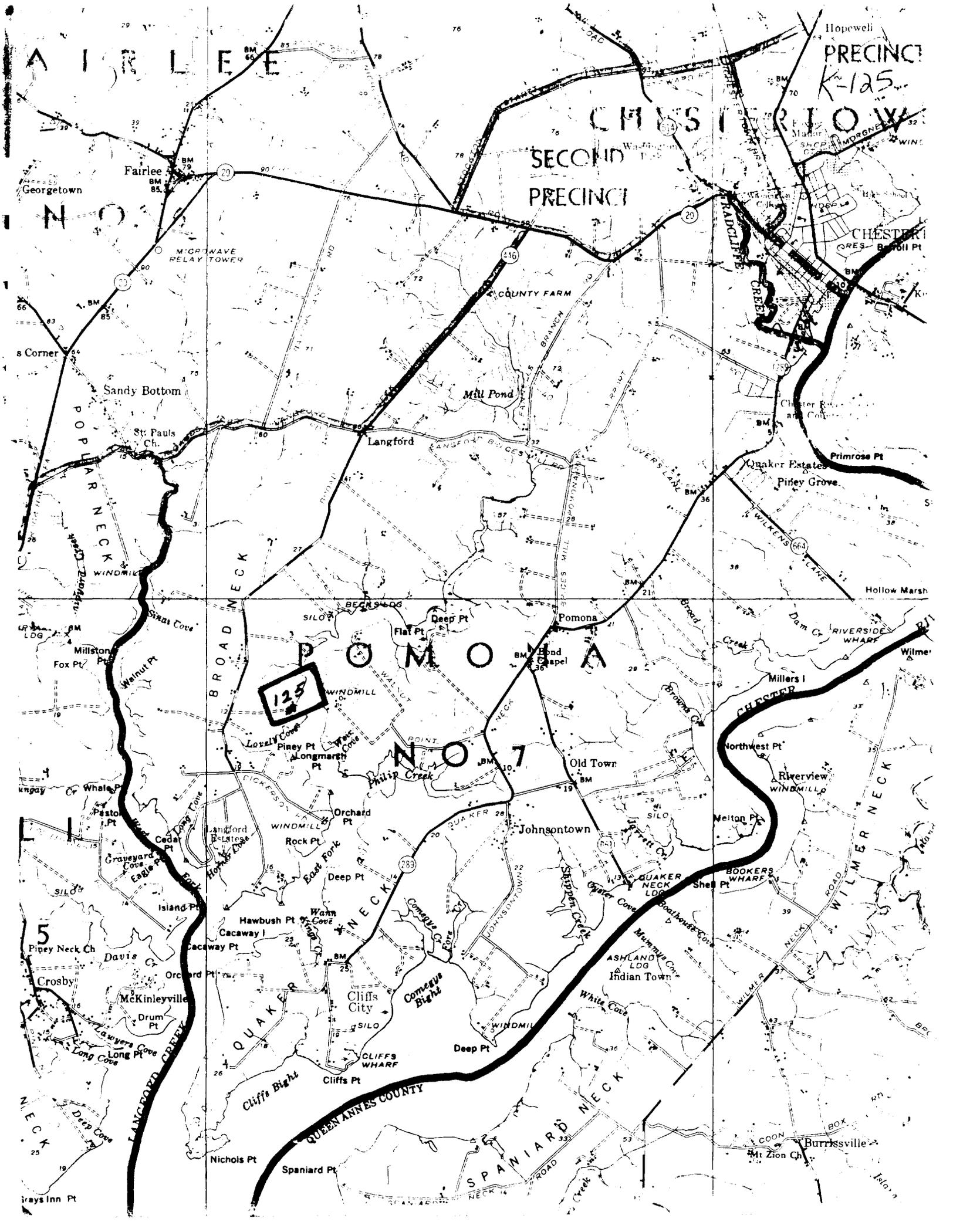
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1. STATE <b>Maryland</b> COUNTY <b>Kent</b> TOWN <b>Chestertown</b> VICINITY <b>Langford</b> STREET NO. <b>Langford Road</b> <b>Broad Neck</b> ORIGINAL OWNER ORIGINAL USE <b>dwelling</b> PRESENT OWNER <b>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Sterling Larrabee</b> PRESENT USE <b>dwelling</b> WALL CONSTRUCTION <b>brick</b> NO. OF STORIES <b>2</b>		HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY <b>K-125</b>	
		2. NAME <b>P</b> <b>King's Prevention</b> DATE OR PERIOD <b>early 19th century</b> STYLE <b>colonial</b> ARCHITECT BUILDER	
		3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE	
4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION		OPEN TO PUBLIC <b>no</b>	
<p>King's Prevention is an early 19th century brick house which is two stories high, two bays long with central door. It is laid in common bond and has a stepped brick cornice. There are two chimneys, one within each gable. The entrance has a doric porch over the door. To the south of the building is a two story frame wing and to the east is a sun porch.</p> <p>The interior of the old section is only one room with fireplace at each end retaining original simple mantels.</p> <p><i>Mrs. Larrabee came to Kenton while I was there                  Chestertown - 778 - 3611 - friend of Mrs                  Collins -</i></p>			
5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE    Endangered <b>no</b> Interior <b>good</b> Exterior <b>good</b>			
6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)		7. PHOTOGRAPH	
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.		9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER <b>Michael Bourne</b> <b>Maryland Historical Trust</b> DATE OF RECORD <b>May 11, 1968</b>	

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



Hopewell  
PRECINCT  
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CHESTER TOWNSHIP  
SECOND  
PRECINCT

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NO 7

QUEEN ANNES COUNTY

AIR LEE

NO 1

POPULAR NECK

BROAD NECK

QUAKER NECK

SPANIARD NECK

WILMER NECK

NECK

Georgetown

Fairlee

Sandy Bottom

St. Pauls Ch.

Langford

Mill Pond

COUNTY FARM

CHESTER

Quaker Estates

Piney Grove

Primrose Pt

Hollow Marsh

Flat Pt

Deep Pt

Pomona

Philip Creek

Old Town

Johnsonstown

Dam Cr.

RIVERSIDE WHARF

WILMER

Northwest Pt

Riverview

WINDMILL

Melton Pt

BOOKERS WHARF

Shell Pt

WILMER

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Piney Neck Ch

Crosby

McKinleyville

Drum Pt

Lawyers Cove

Long Cove

Deep Cove

Grays Inn Pt

NECK



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Broad Neck

Front. - North

C. Engstrom

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Chesterdown, Md

Aug 1974