

Capsule Summary
SM-815
39977 Tippit Road
Compton vicinity
Private

circa 1900

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Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. SM-815

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other 39977 Tippit Road

2. Location

street and number 39977 Tippit Road ___ not for publication

city, town Compton x vicinity

county St. Mary's

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

name Thomas P. Howe

street and number 39965 Tippit Road telephone N/a

city, town Leonardtown state Md zip code 20650-2514

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse tax map and parcel TM-39, P-84

city, town Leonardtown liber MRB 185 folio 430

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
- Other: _____

6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:
			Contributing <u>1</u>
			Noncontributing _____
			buildings _____
			sites _____
			structures _____
			objects _____
			Total <u>1</u>
			Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
			<u>0</u>

7. Description

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Condition

excellent deteriorated
 good ruins
 fair altered

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

The house at 39977 Tippit Road is situated near the head of Combs Creek near the rural crossroads community of Compton, Maryland. Oriented on a west/east axis, the newly renovated house was constructed on a 26,136 square foot parcel that overlooks the Creek. The tract is largely flat, but falls quickly on the south side. Aside from the house, a non-contributing automobile shelter is also evident. The property is bounded to the north by Tippit Road, to the east by a residential lot, to the west by a vacant parcel, and to the south by Combs Creek.

The house, constructed circa 1900, is a two story, two bay, frame house with a gable roof and a two story addition on the north side. The exterior walls are covered with wood clapboard and the roof is clad with raised-seam metal. The roof is pierced by a single, interior end, brick, chimney flue.

The original front elevation appears to be the west side. The first floor fenestration is obscured by a screened-in wrap around porch. The second floor of the west side, however, is pierced by two windows. Each of the windows retain faux wood shutters.

Other elevations were not investigated.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates

Architect/Builder

Construction dates

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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Hammett, Regina Combs. History of St. Mary's County, Maryland: 1634-1990. Ridge, Md: Self-published, 1994.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	<u>26,136 sq. ft.</u>	
Acreage of historical setting	<u>same</u>	
Quadrangle name	<u>Leonardtown</u>	Quadrangle scale: <u>1:24 000</u>

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bounded to the north by Tippit Road, to the east by a residential lot, to the west by a vacant parcel, and to the south by Combs Creek. A more specific description of the properties boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber MRB 185, Folio 430.

11. Form Prepared by

name/title	Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor		
organization	St. Mary's County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	August, 2000
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city or town	Leonardtown	state	Maryland

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

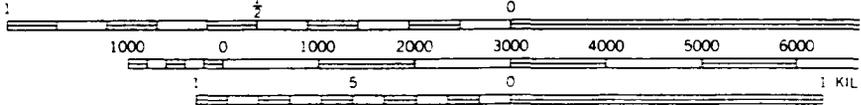
The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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100 Community Place
Crownsville, MD 21032-2023
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2'30" ROAD ENDS 1 MI (ST. CLEMENTS ISLAND) 6880 N NAV 353 354 40' 355

SCALE 1:24 000



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 Compton
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 Leonardtown Quad

CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
 DASHED LINES REPRESENT 5-FOOT CONTOURS
 NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929
 BATHYMETRIC CONTOUR INTERVAL 1 METER WITH SUPPLEMENTARY
 0.5 METER CONTOURS—DATUM IS MEAN LOW WATER

MADE IN U.S.A.



St - 815
39977 Tippit Rd.

St - 2 Coast

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