

Capsule Summary  
SM-846  
38698 Robert Lacey Road  
Abell  
Private

circa 1900

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# Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. SM-846

## 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other 38698 Robert Lacey Road

## 2. Location

street and number 38698 Robert Lacey Road \_\_ not for publication

city, town Abell x vicinity

county St. Mary's

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

name Richard and Dorothy Faunce

street and number 38698 Robert Lacey Road telephone N/a

city, town Abell state Md zip code 20606

## 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse tax map and parcel TM-47, P-263

city, town Leonardtown liber 147 folio 198

## 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	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	1	<input type="checkbox"/> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	1	<input type="checkbox"/> Total
		<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:		
				<b>Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory</b>	
				0	

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

excellent       deteriorated  
 good             ruins  
 fair               altered

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

The house at 38698 Robert Lacey Road is situated on the north side of the road near the rural community of Abell, Maryland. Oriented on a southeast/northwest axis, the dwelling is positioned close to the narrow road. The property features a mowed lawn, manicured bushes and shrubs as well as mature trees. The property is bounded to the southwest and northeast by residential lots, to the northwest by a wooded parcel, and to the southeast by the road.

The house at 38698 Robert Lacey Road is a circa 1900, two story, four bay, single-pile, frame dwelling with a gable roof and rear one story additions. The exterior is sheathed with artificial siding while the roof is covered with corrugated metal. Interior end chimneys are visible at either end of the roof.

The first floor fenestration of the front or southeast elevation consists of three six-over-six, double-hung sash windows with louvered shutters and a door. All of these bays are shaded by a porch supported by six square posts. The second floor is pierced by four six-over-six windows. Above the central portion of the house is a cross gable.

No other elevations were documented.

# 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 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.

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property .35 of an acre  
Acreage of historical setting same  
Quadrangle name Leonardtwn                      Quadrangle scale: 1:24 000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bounded to the southwest and northeast by residential lots, to the northwest by a wooded parcel, and to the southeast by the road. A more specific description of the properties boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber 147, Folio 198.

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## 11. Form Prepared by

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name/title	Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor		
organization	St. Mary's County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	August, 2000
street & number	22740 Washington Street	telephone	301-475-4662
city or town	Leonardtwn	state	Maryland

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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.

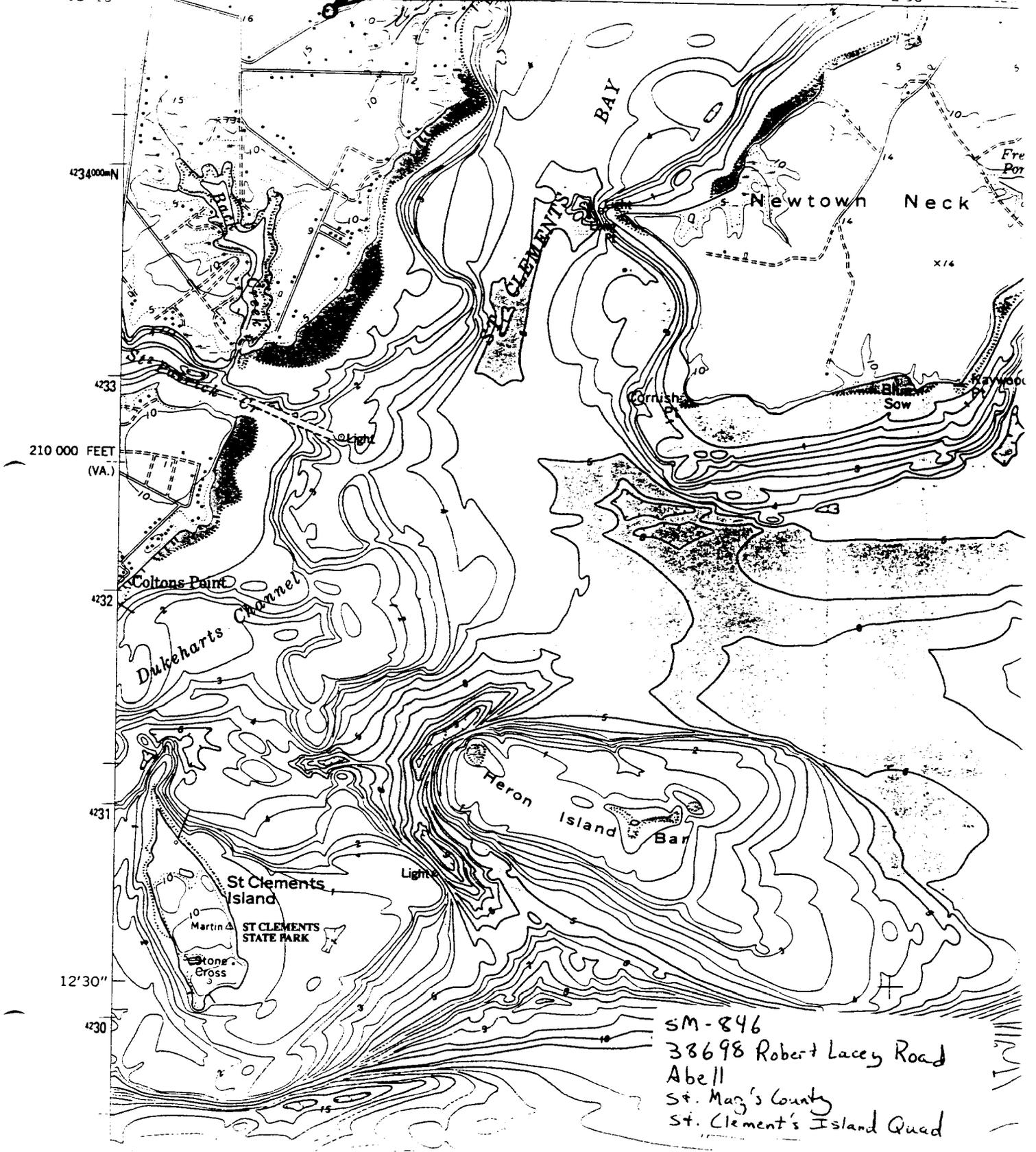
The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to:                      Maryland Historical Trust  
   DHCD/DHCP  
   100 Community Place  
   Crownsville, MD 21032-2023  
   410-514-7600

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

3869 1/2 SE  
ROCK POINT

76° 45' 38' 15" 1480000E 2 510 000 FEET VA. 50 42' 30"



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38698 Robert Lacey Road  
Abell  
St. Mary's County  
St. Clement's Island Quad



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Kirk Ranzetta

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