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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Laughlin's Market

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Southwest corner of Md. 316 and Jackson Schoolhouse Road

CITY, TOWN

Cowentown

__ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
__DISTRICT	__PUBLIC	X OCCUPIED	__AGRICULTURE	__MUSEUM
X BUILDING(S)	X PRIVATE	__UNOCCUPIED	__COMMERCIAL	__PARK
__STRUCTURE	__BOTH	__WORK IN PROGRESS	__EDUCATIONAL	X PRIVATE RESIDENCE
__SITE	**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**	**ACCESSIBLE**	__ENTERTAINMENT	__RELIGIOUS
__OBJECT	__IN PROCESS	X YES: RESTRICTED	__GOVERNMENT	__SCIENTIFIC
	__BEING CONSIDERED	__YES: UNRESTRICTED	__INDUSTRIAL	__TRANSPORTATION
		__NO	__MILITARY	__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Raymond Giles

Telephone #: 398-8490

STREET & NUMBER

RD 4, Box 252

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

X VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21921

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Liber #: WAS 358

Folio #: 570

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
__EXCELLENT	__DETERIORATED	__UNALTERED	x ORIGINAL SITE
x GOOD	__RUINS	x ALTERED	__MOVED DATE_____
__FAIR	__UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Laughlin's Market is a large frame and brick building. IT is two storeys in height and it is five bays long by three deep. The store has a gable roof with asphalt shingles and a box cornice. There is an exterior brick end chimney on the north gable wall with a chimney pot on top. Across the facade is a one storey porch The south end of the porch has been enclosed. The southern two bays of the house are constructed of brick and could possibly be earlier than the frame side. The roof on the frame side has pinned rafters and collars. The house has random width floors throughout. The doors are in mixture of panel and board and batten. There is a straight single flight enclosed stair to the second floor on both sides of the house. On the second floor of the brick side are some wall partitions built of tongue and groove boards. The first floor of the frame side is one large room with two turned support posts. The room was the main store area. A door on the attic level in the gable end suggests that goods were stored here at one time. The dates 1839 and 1840 are painted on the walls in the attic. The window sash if 6/9 on the first floor and 6/6 on the second. Shutter pitels are still attached to the window frames. This house has a stone foundation and there is a cellar under the frame section.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
__PREHISTORIC	__ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	__COMMUNITY PLANNING	__LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	__RELIGION
__1400-1499	__ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	__CONSERVATION	__LAW	__SCIENCE
__1500-1599	__AGRICULTURE	__ECONOMICS	__LITERATURE	__SCULPTURE
__1600-1699	__ARCHITECTURE	__EDUCATION	__MILITARY	__SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
__1700-1799	__ART	__ENGINEERING	__MUSIC	__THEATER
X 1800-1899	X COMMERCE	__EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	__PHILOSOPHY	__TRANSPORTATION
__1900-	__COMMUNICATIONS	__INDUSTRY	__POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	__OTHER (SPECIFY)
		__INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1839, 1840 BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Laughlin's Market has long served the community of Cowentown as a market and store. It was by all evidence built specifically for that purpose. It is in good condition and the current owners are striving to maintain it.

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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
George W. Lutz III, Field Historian

DATE
July 1977

ORGANIZATION
Cecil County Committee

TELEPHONE
658-6850

STREET & NUMBER
2

STATE
Maryland

CITY OR TOWN
RD 2 Rising Sun

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

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Loflands Store CE-784
Giles
1839 - Ben. Cowan bought property JS45/188
1920 Lofland had the store
Store built by Ben Cowan

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Laughlins' Market