

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME BOUNDARY MARKERS ALONG THE MASON-DIXON LINE (THEMATIC GROUP)

HISTORIC (Mason and Dixon's) West Line, 11th Mile Stone

AND/OR COMMON
Mason-Dixon Line: Milestone No. 11 (1900-03 Resurvey Monument No. 12)

2 LOCATION (not for publication)

STREET & NUMBER south side of Old Line Road (PA T-301)

CITY, TOWN Calvert VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT MD: 1 / PA: 5

STATE Maryland COUNTY MD: Cecil / PA: Chester

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS N/A	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC ACQUISITION	<input type="checkbox"/> ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: state boundary marker

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY (monument only; see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

NAME State of Maryland/Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION N/A

(see surrounding property ownership list)
COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:
Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS (also see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

TITLE Cecil County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE CE-1018 entered 3/80 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN Annapolis STATE Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input 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

Milestone No. 11(12) marks Mason and Dixon's 11th horizontal mile west of the initial stone at the northeast corner of Maryland, the beginning point of their West Line. Originally 24 monuments were set along the present Cecil/Chester and Lancaster county boundary (1 double crownstone in 1768; 4 crownstones and 19 milestones in 1766). Of these: 3 crownstones (marking the five-mile intervals) and 17 milestones (marking the intervening miles) remain, No. 11(12) amongst them, and at its original site, which had been preliminarily surveyed in 1765.

The area here is still predominantly rural, rolling farmland, interspersed with deciduous woodlands. The site is about 1 mile southwest of the small crossroads settlement of Chrome, Pennsylvania; about 1½ miles northwest of the village of Calvert, Maryland; at a point about 250' west of Barber Road, MD/T-302, PA, about 8' off the south side of Old Line Road (now blocked off as a private road by a gate), in the road shoulder and an east-west barbed wire fence dividing the Mazepink/Ochenrider properties. It is inconspicuous, cannot be seen from the main road, but easily from the gate, all seasons; and is relatively protected by the fencing and upright fenceposts flanking it.

The monument, as with all original Mason and Dixon milestones, was quarried and carved in England, of oolitic limestone, cut to about 4½' in length by about 12" square; ^{fluting, margins, circle panels, and} embellished with a P on the north side facing Pennsylvania, an M on the south side facing Maryland, so as to stand about 3½' above ground, with a rough-cut base for setting into the ground and with a low pyramidal top. Reset in 1902, during the course of the 1900-03 Resurvey of the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary, to stand about 1½' above ground and surrounded by a concrete collar below ground, it still stands firmly in place, now about 15" high; quite weatherworn; badly chipped, including the letter M, and all edges and corners; and with a flattened top, no longer with planes or fluting, rounded and with several depressions. Comparatively, its condition is still fairly good.

(see Thematic Group NR nomination form for descriptions of original Mason and Dixon monuments and the 1900-03 Resurvey method of resetting them)

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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 type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) boundary surveying
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1766 (reset 1902) ~~BUILDER/ARCHITECT~~ Charles Mason & Jeremiah Dixon
 SURVEYORS

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Milestone No. 11(12) is significant primarily as one of 111 original Mason and Dixon milestones still standing along their West Line, commonly known since Civil War times as the Mason-Dixon Line and notable for its historical impact and innovative boundary survey methods. The site, preliminarily surveyed in 1765, was monumented the following year, where it remains to this day, although reset more securely in 1902 during the course of the 1900-03 Resurvey of the Maryland-Pennsylvania boundary. Individually, and as one of 17 original milestones within the present Cecil/Chester and Lancaster county boundary, No. 11(12) is also significant locally as one of a diminishing number of objects and structures with an indentifiable relationship to our colonial and Civil War heritage.

HISTORY AND SUPPORT (see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

(see Thematic Group NR nomination form)

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY less than one acre

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

N/A

UTM: 18.41452.439713

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland

COUNTY Cecil

STATE Pennsylvania

COUNTY Chester

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Alice Martin (volunteer, Mason-Dixon Line boundary marker surveyor)

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Maryland Geological Survey

DATE

(site surveyed by
4/7/80 Jean Ewing)

STREET & NUMBER

14308 Mount Avenue

TELEPHONE

301/472-2128

CITY OR TOWN

Phoenix

STATE

Maryland 21131

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.

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MASON & DIXON WEST LINE: MILESTONE 11 (12)

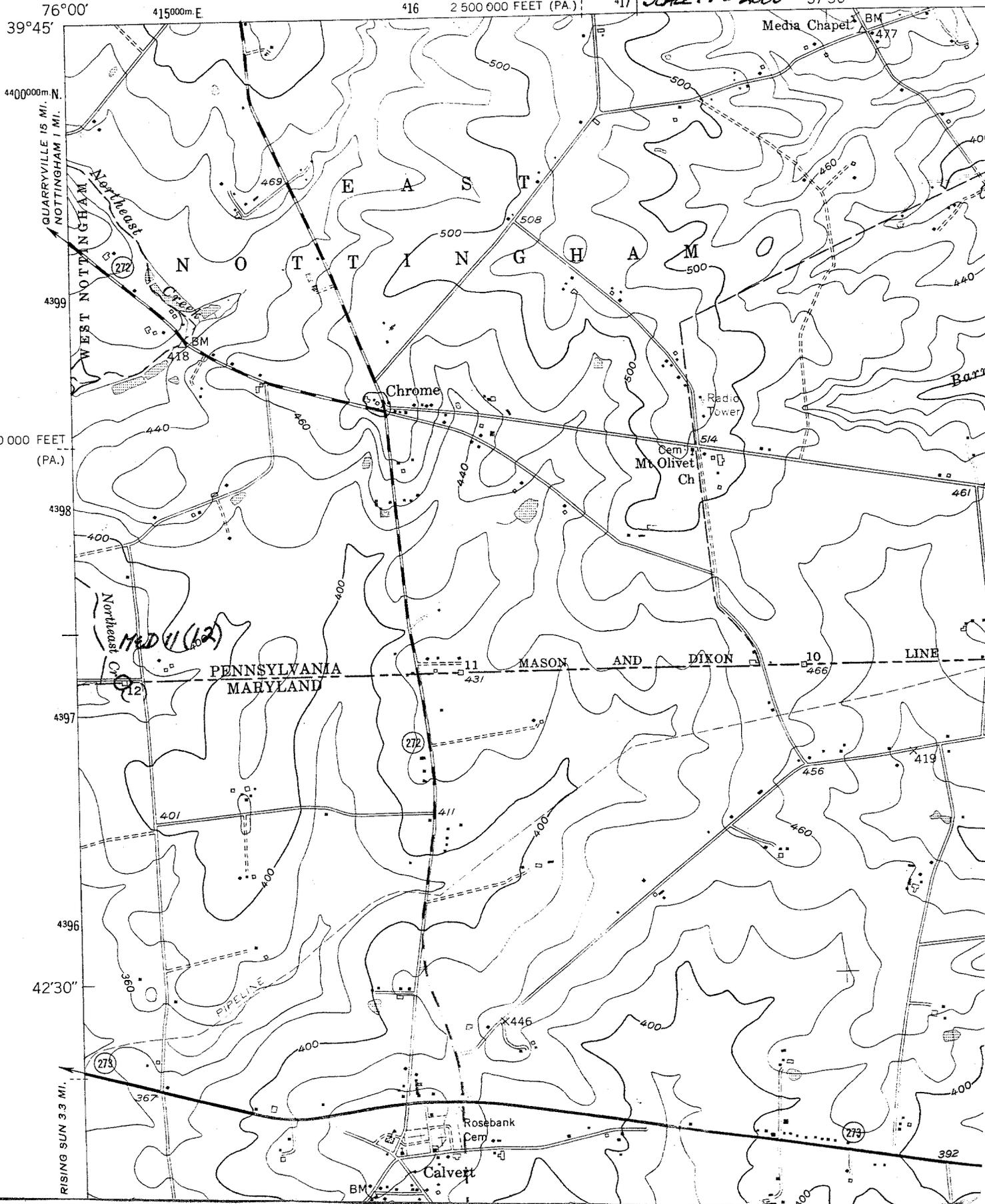
BAY VIEW QUADRANGLE
MARYLAND-PENNSYLVANIA
USGS 7.5 MINUTE SERIES
1953 PHOTOREV. 1970

SCALE: 1" = 2000' 57'30"

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY



5783 1 SE
(KIRKWOOD)



76°00'
39°45'

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NOTTINGHAM 1 MI.

4400000m N.
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150 000 FEET
(PA.)

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PENNSYLVANIA
MARYLAND

MASON AND DIXON LINE

Chrome

Radio
Tower

Cem
Mt Olivet
Ch

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272

456

419

446

Rosebank
Cem

Calvett

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392



Mason & Dixon line; ~~reference~~ #11 (12)

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SWIMMER (-14)

JEAN
1 11110 photo 6/80 (129 5)



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Mason & Dixon West line ^{FILED} stone # 11 (12)

NE corner

JEAN
Erving photo 6/80 (neg 3)



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Mason Dixon #11 (12)
WEST LINE MILESTAGE

VIEW: LOOKING WEST

from east.



PHOTO: JEAN EWING 7 April 80 (NO DEC)

Siewerski Lane - stone at ^(south) left bank. formerly Chester Co. road