

G-V-B-008

Michael Sim Harvey Log Barn

Gorman

Private

ca. 1870

The Michael Sim Harvey Log Barn is a V-notched single pen structure measuring 20 feet by 22 feet. Its unchinked logs are hewn on 2 sides with the exception of the sill which is hewn on 3 sides and is half dovetailed to the first log. The facade is characterized by a center door and one small window. A long, narrow opening close to the sill pierces one side and another smaller opening pierces the center of the rear elevation. The building rests on dressed stone footings and reveals only the remnants of a pole rafter roof. It is thought that this barn was used to thresh grain.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC  
Michael Sim Harvey Log Barn

AND/OR COMMON  
Grant S. Harvey Log Barn

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER  
Audley Riley Rd. - .2 mile east of White Church-Steyer Rd.

CITY, TOWN  
Gorman

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
6th

STATE  
Maryland

COUNTY  
Garrett County

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" 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	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER none

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME  
Grant S. Harvey

Telephone #: (301) 334-2808

STREET & NUMBER  
Steyer Rd.

CITY, TOWN  
Gorman

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code  
Maryland

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: (145/174), (145/176),  
Folio #: (148/20), (166/526),  
(275/542), (291/119)

STREET & NUMBER  
Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE  
Maryland 21550

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
None

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Michael Sim Harvey Log Barn is located on the north side of Audley Riley Road approximately .2 mile east of White Church-Steyer Road. It is situated on a hill that slopes down to the north toward Riley's Spring Branch. The entrance facade is oriented to the south.

This barn is a single pen structure measuring 20 feet by 22 feet. Its unchinked logs are hewn on their interior and exterior wall surfaces and are V-notched at the corners. The average diameter of the logs is one foot, two inches and their hewn thickness is 7½ inches. The sills are hewn on three sides (top, bottom, and exterior faces) and are half dovetailed to the first log. The building sits on dressed stone footings placed at the northwest and northeast corners. The southern sill rests on the ground.

The doorway is placed at the exact center of the facade and has hewn jambs of 1½ inch thick plank that are secured to the building with cast nails. A curved piece of plank measuring two feet by four inches with a one inch diameter hole in its center is attached to the exterior at right angles on the upper left side of the door frame (see negative #8). Since there are no scars on the doorframe from any kind of hardware this piece could be part of a wooden hinge. The door to the barn is gone. Right of the doorframe is a three foot, one inch by two foot window opening that is also framed with hewn planks secured by cast nails. The east elevation has a long, narrow opening in the first and second logs above the sill. A smaller opening is located on the north elevation in the third and fourth logs above the sill. Neither of these openings is framed. The roof has deteriorated and fallen, but the decayed materials indicate that the roof was constructed with pole rafters.

**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    ca. 1870

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Michael Sim Harvey Log Barn is said to have been used for threshing grain.

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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

Valerie Cesna, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

October 1981

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

(301) 269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

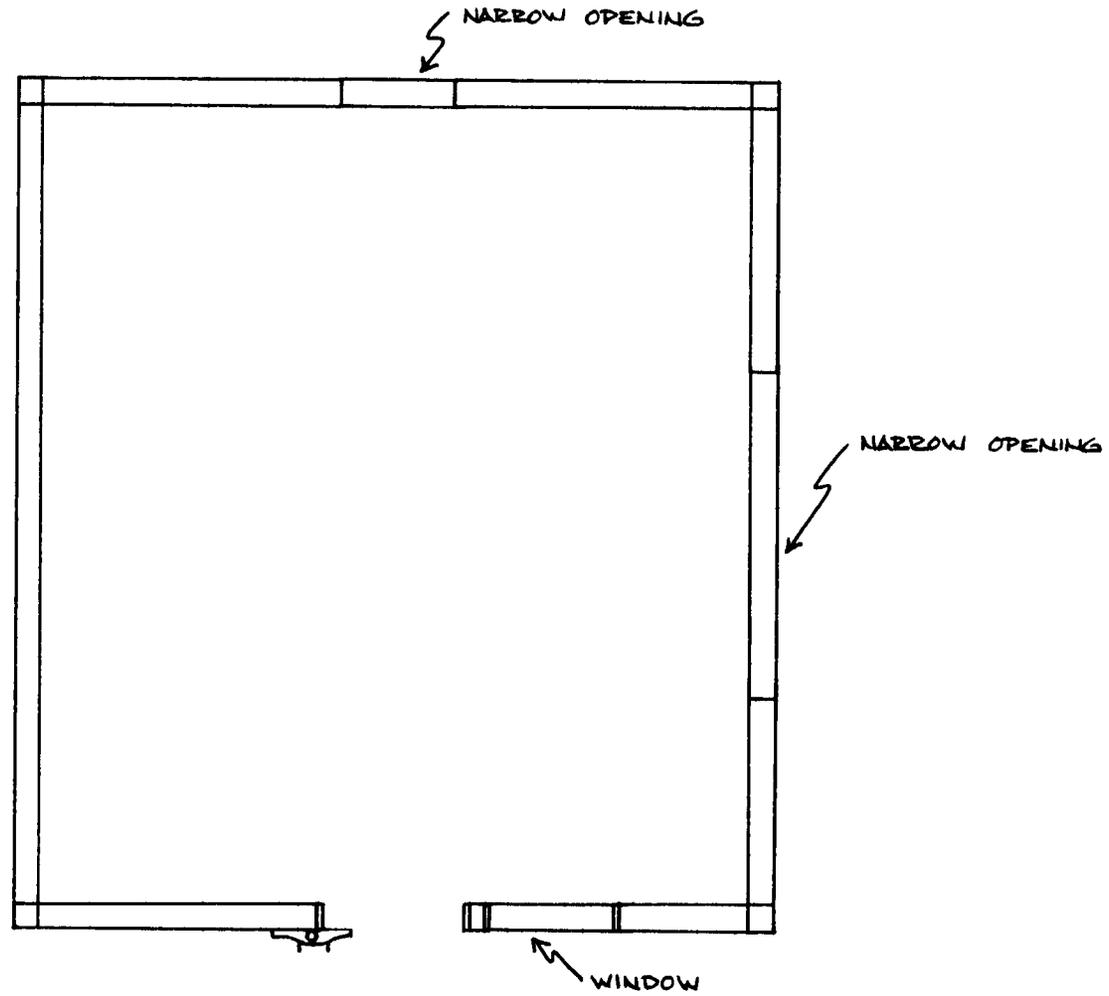
STATE

Maryland 21401

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



SCALE  
1" = 5' 0"

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MICHAEL SIM HARVEY LOG BARN  
GARRETT COUNTY  
GORMAN, MARYLAND

VALERIE CESNA  
SURVEYED: 13 MAY 1981  
DRAWN: 29 MAY 1981

STATES  
OF THE INTERIOR  
SURVEY

1:250,000 FEET (W. VA.)

OAKLAND (JUNC. U.S. 219) 4.6 MI.  
LOCH LYNN HEIGHTS 2.6 MI.

643

20'

644

STATE OF MARYLAND  
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

5162 IV NE  
(DEER PARK)

DEER PARK  
646



Gorman, MD-WV  
USGS 7.5 Minute Series  
Scale - 1:24,000  
1949; photorevised 1974

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REAR: N + W ELEVATIONS