

S-197  
Dorsey Farm  
Near Westover  
Private

c. 1870-1880

This 2½-story frame farmhouse is a well-maintained example of a cross-gabled center hall dwelling, few of which remain standing on Revel's Neck. Behind the house are several frame outbuildings, none of which appear to predate the house. A full chain of title has not been completed for this farm, but it was owned around 1877 by a Mrs. M.S.A. Dorsey.

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. S-197  
Magi No. 2001975535  
DOE  yes  no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Dorsey Farm

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number North Side of Revel's Neck Road  not for publication

city, town Westover  vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Somerset

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne state MD 21853

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

pository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

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<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

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

The Dorsey Farm is located on the north side of Revel's Neck Road approximately a half-mile west of Millard Long Road. The c. 1870 2½-story cross-gabled farmhouse faces south with the main gable running east/west.

A minimal brick pier foundation supports this center hall weatherboarded frame house, while a layer of asphalt shingles covers the steeply pitched roof. The eaves are extended, and the cornice is boxed. Twin corbelled brick chimneys rise from the center of the house to flank the hall. A shorter two-story service wing extends to the back of the house, and several small frame outbuildings stand to the rear.

The south facade is symmetrically arranged with 6/6 sash windows flanking a four-panel front door with three-light sidelights. A shed-roofed porch with center gable front is supported by turned porch posts. The second floor is lighted by three evenly spaced 6/6 sash windows while the cross-gable is pierced by a Gothic arched 6/6 sash window.

Both gable end walls have standard 6/6 sash windows which light each floor.

The north elevation is largely covered by a shorter two-story two-bay by one-room kitchen wing which is lighted on both sides by 6/6 sash windows. An interior brick stack rises from the gable end.

Extended from the kitchen is a small story-and-a-half pantry addition.

Standing behind the house are several small frame outbuildings including a garage and a wagon shed.

# 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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)	

**Specific dates**

**Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or

Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

Level of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This two-and-a-half story frame structure is a well-maintained and preserved example of a cross-gabled center hall farmhouse, few of which still stand on Revel's Neck. The house is accompanied by an assortment of outbuildings, none of which pre-date the house.

History

Not much is known about this house aside from its c. 1870 date of construction and its ownership around 1877 by a Mrs. M.S.A. Dorsey.





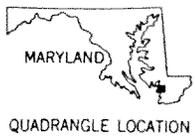
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INTERIOR—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA—1975

**ROAD CLASSIFICATION**

- Primary highway, hard surface \_\_\_\_\_
- Secondary highway, hard surface \_\_\_\_\_
- Light-duty road, hard or improved surface \_\_\_\_\_
- Unimproved road \_\_\_\_\_
- Trails \_\_\_\_\_

- Interstate Route
- U. S. Route
- State Route



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