

T-330  
Londonderry  
Easton  
Private

1860s

To the east of Easton Point on the south bank of the Tred Avon River is Londonderry, a Gothic revival house built of Port Deposit granite (see T-16; T-239). Its design is attributed to Richard Upjohn, the prominent architect who also designed Christ Church Rectory (T-16) and the Trippe-Beale House (T-45). The facade has a projecting, polygonal two-story entrance bay framed by a window on each story on the west and one window between stories on the east. This extension, as well as the main block, is covered by a low gable roof with deep eaves. These roofs were installed after a fire destroyed the third floor in the 1960s. The conflagration also consumed the porches, which were replaced by the plain ones seen today. An indication of the original, highly elaborate, exterior detail that once decorated the house is provided by the hyphen and wing, both of which escaped damage. The hyphen has a steep gable roof with a highly ornate cross gable and cornice. This cornice continues around the wing, which is surmounted by a slate mansard roof. This in turn is topped by a finial.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Londonderry

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Bay Street (Md. 334) .2 miles west of Easton by pass

CITY, TOWN

Easton

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

— VICINITY OF

COUNTY

Talbot

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

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STREET & NUMBER

Londonderry, P.O. Box 1093

CITY, TOWN

Easton

— VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21601

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Talbot County Courthouse

Liber #: 032

Folio #: 564

STREET & NUMBER

Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Easton

STATE

Maryland 21601

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

— FEDERAL — STATE — COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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**7 DESCRIPTION**

<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 type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED    DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Londonderry is located on the south branch of the Tred Avon River a little east of Easton Point. It is the only 19th century, Port Depoist granite dwelling in Talbot beside Christ Church Rectory, Easton.

The building is composed of a large block with hyphen and wing on the east and a lower colonade and pavillion east of the wing.

Its north facade has a semi-hexagonal projecting entrance bay flanked by a window on each story on the west and a single window between storys on the east. Its low roof with overhanging eave was installed by Seymour Builders after a fire in the 60's, which destroyed the third floor. also the porches were lost at that time and were replaced with the very plain porches in place today.

The two bay west side has a bay window on the north and an entrance to the screened porch on the south. The south facade has two entrances on the first story and three windows above.

Luckily, the hyphen and wing escaped the fire with their original roofs and incredible Gothic cornice and window dressings. At the apex of the slate mansard roof of the wing is a finial.

The colonade is open on its south side. The pavillion is a small square structure with pyramidal roof with tall cupola/ventilator, similar to dairys in the county.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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		

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SPECIFIC DATES \_\_\_\_\_ BUILDER/ARCHITECT Richard Upjohn

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Londonderry is a dwelling of exceptional quality, even with the main roof and third story burned off, it retains a sophisticated grandeur which few Talbot County houses of the period possess.

It was designed by Richard Upjohn in either the 1860's or 70's and some sketches still remain, mentioned in the book on Upjohn by Everard Upjohn. The house was constructed for Dr. & Mrs. Ninian Pinkney on land inherited from her father, E.N. Hambleton.

Dr. Pinkney was a surgeon in the United States Navy of this period.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Upjohn, Everard M., Richard Upjohn, Architect and Churchman, DaCapo Press, New York, 1968.

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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	DATE
<u>Michael Bourne, Architectural Consultant</u>	<u>April, 1977</u>
ORGANIZATION	TELEPHONE
<u>Maryland Historical Trust</u>	
STREET & NUMBER	STATE
<u>Shaw House, 21 State Circle</u>	<u>Maryland 21401</u>
CITY OR TOWN	
<u>Annapolis</u>	

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