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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM  
for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
Vue de L'Eau

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Goose Creek Rd., 1.3 west of rt. 16

CITY OR TOWN:  
East New Market

STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Dorchester

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME:  
John D. Garst

STREET AND NUMBER:  
Vue de L'Eau

CITY OR TOWN: East New Market STATE: Maryland ZIP: 21631

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:  
Dorchester County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:  
High Street

CITY OR TOWN: Cambridge STATE: Maryland ZIP: 21613

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

**7. DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house is a three bay long by two bay deep frame structure with a three bay wing. On the west side of the building is another addition, part containing a bay window like Waterloo, on the adjoining property. The entire structure is built close to the ground and is covered with wood shingles painted white. Over the central entrance is a Greek Revival portico which protects the door with its double hung sidelights and transom from the weather. Most of the windows have 6/6 sash. An "A" roof covers the building and from its rear (west) slope rise two brick chimneys. The north chimney being mostly on the exterior of the house while the south chimney is mostly within the gable.

The wing sits back and is connected at about the back one fourth of the principle structure. It is a simple three bay long structure with an "A" roof. A portion of the wing has a projecting room, covered by a catslide roof, toward the river.

The floor plan of the principal portion of the house was similar to the second story of Indian Purchase, i.e. it had a stair hall and small room on the east side of the house with two rooms behind. Only the two walls enclosing the stair hall remain however. The latter retain original Greek Revival trim, with corner blocks bearing rosettes. The mahogany stair has turned newel and plain conically turned balusters. In the ceiling of the hall is a plaster disc from which hangs a lighting fixture.

Although the trim is similar in the living room (composed of three original rooms) the corner blocks are not as detailed and less so in the remainder of the house. Both fireplaces have mantels, but the south mantel appears to pre-date the house, at least stylishly, by 20 years. The latter has a cushion friere supporting the shelf which bears a course of reeding. The opposite mantel is typical of simple mid-19th century work. Behind the south room is a dining room with fireplace on the west wall, flanked by two windows, with gyb doors beneath. Its north is a screened porch and on south the wing, previously mentioned.

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**B. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian       16th Century       18th Century       20th Century
- 15th Century       17th Century       19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historic</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture</li> <li><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Art</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Commerce</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Communications</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Conservation</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Education</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Engineering</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Industry</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Invention</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Literature</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Military</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Music</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Political</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Science</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Theater</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Transportation</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)</li> <li>_____</li> <li>_____</li> <li>_____</li> <li>_____</li> <li>_____</li> <li>_____</li> </ul> |
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Vue de L'Eau is one of the few buildings in rural Dorchester County which was built with Greek Revival details. It was once a part of the Choptank Indian Reservation. The tract of ground was purchased in 1799 by Samuel LeCompte and later was the home of the Stewart's and Dixon's.

North of the house is an Indian shell mound indicating the site of an Indian village.

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## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Dorchester Tercentenary Bay Country Festival, 1669-1969,  
Thomas A. Flowers, editor, Dorchester County, Maryland.

Laskowski Papers, 1955.

## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE				LONGITUDE				
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SE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Michael Bourne, Architectural Consultant		
ORGANIZATION Maryland Historical Trust	DATE July, 1975	
STREET AND NUMBER: Shaw House, 21 State Circle		
CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis	STATE Maryland	21401

## 12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National  State  Local

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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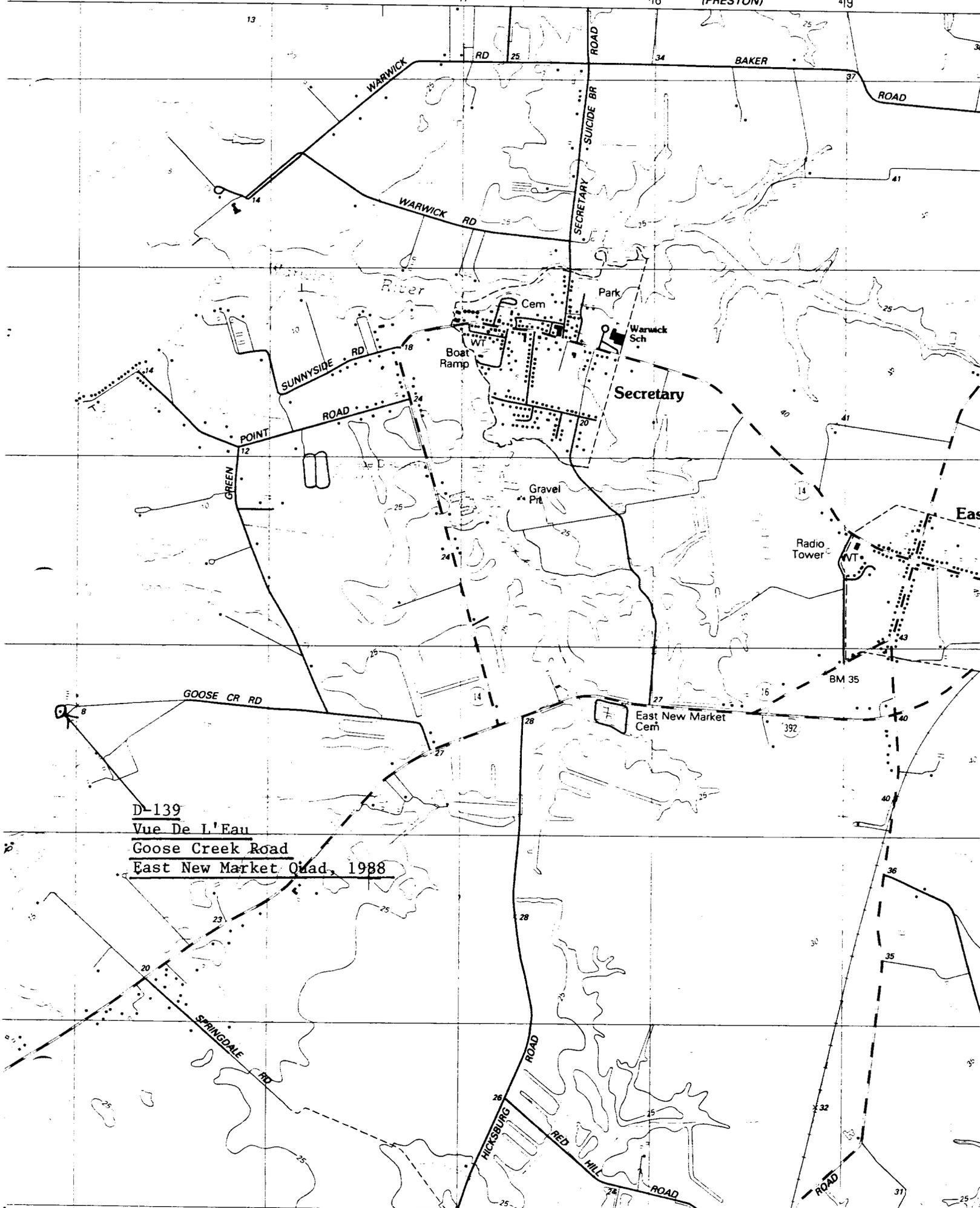
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5861 III NW  
(PRESTON)

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 Vue De L'Eau  
 Goose Creek Road  
 East New Market Quad, 1988

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M. Bourne July 1975