

Taylor-Hutton Farm  
"Red House Farm"  
CE-1065  
Near Elkton  
Private

C. 1780, 1850

From the exterior the Taylor-Hutton house looks like one of hundreds of three story three bay by one room mid 19th-century frame houses. However, the interior proves the contrary. The ordinary frame house covers a much earlier single story one room log house with raised panel hearth wall. David Taylor was probably responsible for raising this structure since it closely imitates his brick structure Brantwood (CE-69) in form but not detail. David Taylor bought "Red House Farm" from a trustee of Issac Taylor's Estate in 1837 (JS 39/209) which included 150 acres.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

*File 298*

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Taylor-Hutton Farm Red House Farm

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Williams Road

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Cecil

**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 type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" 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 checked="" 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 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 type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Frank V. Hutton

Telephone #: 398-3482

STREET & NUMBER

448 Williams Road

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21921

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Liber #:

Folio #:

WAS 34  
179

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY 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 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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

The Taylor-Hutton House c. 1780 and 1850 is three story three bay by one room frame house that was built around an earlier story and a half log structure that dates from the third to fourth quarter of the 18th century. The house faces south with the main gable running east/west. The farm is located along Williams Road about two miles south of Elkton.

The house rests on a partial fieldstone foundation and is totally covered with asbestos shingle over weatherboard. The low sloping roof is covered with seamed tin. Attached to the back of the house and probably added when the structure was enlarged is a two story two bay by one room frame kitchen wing. The building sequence therefore included two possibly three stages of construction.

The log structure is 18 feet 1 inch across by 18 ft. 5" deep with an exposed fieldstone fire wall in the east end. The south side has an unused entrance and an adjacent window opening. The main facade as a whole is basically symmetrical with a central entrance and corresponding window openings. Two of the sash have been replaced. Third floor windows are 3/3 sash. A simple boxed cornice stretches across above. A very recent shed porch covers the center portion of the first floor.

The west end is plan outside the interior end stove stack with plain bargeboard.

The east end does have the exposed firewall and it appears that another door was cut through the end wall next to the fireplace.

The north side of the main block is partially covered with the kitchen wing which is two bays across by one room deep. It has a shed addition on the east side. The sindows are similar to the rest of the house and a later picture window has been cut through the west wall.

The log house retains its end wall paneling which is the only dateable element in the house. The logs have been exposed on the inside.

The fireplace consists of a large opening with a ovolo molded surround and three heavily raised panels above. A later mantel shelf has been attached. To the north of the fireplace is a four door cupboard with two panels on each

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upper door. The lower cupboard doors have been removed. The only section of remaining chairrail is south of the fireplace along the chimney breast and end wall. (see profile) Some open cupboards are set into the wall cavity in this corner. The north, west, and south walls have door openings. It was not evident which doors had been cut through later. The second floor joists are beaded.

The later western section includes an enclosed stair that rises against the west wall and a western parlor with a projecting chimney breast. There is a molded opening surround with pilastered overmantel. The exterior wall changes thickness in sections which proves a change in construction.

Two mid 19th century farm buildings are found to the north of the house and a fieldstone meathouse east of it.

The meathouse is 10' x 12' with an entrance in the west side and small windows in the south and north sides. The simple gable roof projects slightly and is covered with corrugated tin. The fieldstone has been white-washed in previous years.

A frame granary with central passage and side crosses is located north of the house along with a 1½ story 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input 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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Taylor-Hutton log house is significant because of its exist existence as a one room log structure with 18th-century raised panel hearth wall. Very few log structures in Cecil County remain with such an important example of log house interiors.

The log house has been completely enclosed in a three story three bay by one room center hall house of the mid 19th century.

David Taylor was probably responsible for building the frame section, which closely imitates his own brick house of Brantwood (CE - 69) in form but not detail. David Taylor bought what is referred to as "Red House Farm" from a trustee of Issac Taylor's Estate on 1837 (JS 39/209) it included 150 acres and sold for \$2265.00.

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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

Paul B. Touart Historic Sites Survyeor

ORGANIZATION

Cecil County Committee

DATE

5/20/80

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Cpourthoue

TELEPHONE

398-0200 ext. 150

CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

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WAS 34/179  
7/20/1956

Frank S. Hutton & Anna  
To  
Frank V. G. Hutton  
292.99 acres  
Tract known as "Red House ~~and~~ Farm"

RRC 31/272  
4/27/1948

Mary B. Gonce  
To  
Frank S. & Anna Hutton  
\$10,000.00  
Red House Farm

JTG 11/409  
1/25/1897

Mary A. Bratton  
To  
Elizabeth Gonce - (died intestate and by a number  
of translations conveyed to Mary B. Gonce)  
(Tract composed of three parcels - 295 acres  
"Red House Farm")

AWM 7/303  
12/22/1877  
AWM 5/177

Wm. J. Jones, Attorney  
To  
Daniel Bratton & Jacob Tome  
Mortgage from David Taylor to Jacob Tome 8/19/1873  
DS 9/562 - Defaulted Mort. sold lands by Public  
auction. \$6030.00 "Red House Farm  
Equity Case  
Jacob Tome - Complainant  
David M. Taylor - Defendant  
Decret No. 3/174 Case no. 797

Tracts Described.

1. 119 acres tract conveyed to David Taylor by  
Enoch Cloud and others commissioners to  
divide Real Estate of James Wallace \$6.00/acre  
? June 8, 1840 JS 46/207 \$715.87½
2. 26 acres  
Conveyed to David Taylor by Wm Taylor  
7/9/1839 JS 42/324 \$487.00
3. 150 acres  
Conveyed to David Taylor by Edward Wilson,  
Trustee 4/24/1837 JS 39/209  
"Red House Farm" - Decree of Circuit Court  
March 9, 1835 petition of Mary Taylor Last Will  
Testament of Issac Taylor. 150 acres \$2265.00.  
Also  
4 tracts comprising the Beroard Farm.

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**ATTORNEY'S SALE  
OF  
REAL ESTATE.**

By virtue of power contained in a mortgage from David M. Taylor to Jacob Tome, bearing date the 19th day of August, A. D., 1873, and recorded in the Land Records of Cecil county, in Liber D. S., No. 9, folio 582, &c., the undersigned, attorney named in the mortgage, will sell at public sale, at the Court House door, in Elkton, on

**TUESDAY, the 17th DAY of JULY, 1877,**  
at 3 o'clock P. M. the property mentioned in said mortgage, that is to say:

**No. 1. All that FARM, containing 243 Acres, 1 Rood and 25 Perches,** more or less, known as the David D. Pearce or Bervard farm, and which was conveyed to said Taylor by Hiram McCullough, trustee, by his deed bearing date March 10th, 1863, and recorded among the Land Records aforesaid, in Liber W. H. R., No. 7, folio 491. This farm lies along four miles south of Elkton, on the south side of the road leading from the Elkton and Chesapeake City road to the Glasgow and St. George's road, and is improved by a comfortable DWELLING and the usual farm outbuildings.

**No. 2. All that TRACT or PARCEL of LAND, containing 150 ACRES, More or Less,** which was conveyed to said Taylor by Edward Wilson, trustee, by deed dated April 24th, 1837, and recorded as aforesaid, in Liber J. S., No. 3, folio 209, &c.

**No. 3. All that TRACT of LAND, containing 119 Acres, 1 Rood and 10 Perches,** more or less, which was conveyed to said Taylor by Enoch Cloud and others, commissioners to divide the land of James Wallace, deceased, by their deed dated June 8th, 1840, and recorded as aforesaid, in Liber J. S., No. 46, folio 207, &c.

**No. 4. All that PARCEL of LAND, containing 26 ACRES, 2 Roods and 20 Perches,** more or less, which was conveyed to said Taylor by William Taylor and wife, by deed dated January 9th, 1839, and recorded as aforesaid in Liber J. S., No. 42, folio 324, &c.

No. 2, 3 and 4 are known as Red House farm, and lie in close proximity to No. 1, and are improved by comfortable FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, and the usual farm outbuildings, in good order.

**TERMS OF SALE, prescribed in the mortgage, are: That the whole purchase money shall be paid in cash on day of sale; but more favorable terms can be had on day of sale, if purchasers desire.**

June 23. **WILLIAM J. JONES,**  
Attorney named in mortgage.

*I hereby certify that the annexed advertisement of the sale of the real estate of David M. Taylor was inserted in the 'Cecil Whig' a weekly newspaper printed at Elkton Cecil Co., Md., once a week for three weeks before the 17th day of July 1877*

*W. R. Jordan  
Pub of Whig*

*AWM*

*5/177*

*DEFAULTED*

*MORTGAGE OF DAVID TAYLOR*

*TO JACOB TOME*

*Taylor - Hutton House*



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Chesapeake City

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BM 63

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BM 52

BM 55

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Guthrie



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Taylor - Hutton House

NORTH ELEVATION

NR

ELKTON, MD. COLL.

10/79 PBT NEG. - MITT



Taylor - Horton House

CE - 1065

SOUTH ELEVATION

NR

ELKTON, MD. CELIC

10/79

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NEG.

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Taylor - Hutton House

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EAST ELEVATION

MEAT HOUSE AND ~~WALL~~

EXPOSED END WITH

16/79

P.3T

NEG. RIGHT.



Taylor - Hutton House

CE - 1065

WEST ELEVATION OF MEATHOUSE

NR

ELKTON, MD.

10/79 PBT NEG. MHT



CE-1065

Taylor - Hutton House

INTERIOR OF LOG HOUSE

EAST WALL

NR

ELKTON MD.

10/79

PBT

NEG. MHT



Taylor - Hutton House

CE - 1065

SOUTH ELEVATION - GRINDLEY

NR

ELKTON, MD.

10/79

P13T

NEG. MIT



Well House C.E. 1065

"Red House Farm"



Well House CE 1865

"Red House Farm"



Well House CE 1065

"Red House Farm"