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Schaeffer Tenant House
Petersville
Private

Circa 1808

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC Schaeffer Tenant House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

West Side Route 180

CITY, TOWN

Petersville

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

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	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<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 checked="" 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 John A. Schaeffer

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route 1

CITY, TOWN

Knoxville

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21758

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

North Court St.

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___FEDERAL ___STATE ___COUNTY ___LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input 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		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Schaeffer Tenant House is a small banked one and a half story log structure with full basement covered with frame and asbestos with a high whitewashed random stone foundation.

The principal facade is two bays wide. A replaced two story open porch with chamfered square columns and horizontal railing extends across the entire front of the building. Replaced frame steps on the north side of the porch rise to the second level of the porch.

The first level of the building is a full basement built of whitewashed random stone and banked against a hill in the rear. Located in the first bay is a vertical board door with two upper lights cut out of the door set into a plain paneled doorway. Occupying the second bay on the first level is an original double hung 6/3 window.

Located directly above these bays on the second level is another entrance door, replaced with two upper windows and lower paneling. An original double hung 6/6 window is located in the second bay.

Another door is located in the northwest corner of the north gable end of the building. It is a replaced five horizontal panel door. An original double hung 6/6 window is centered in the north gable of the house.

One double hung 6/3 window is located in the southeast corner on the second level of the south bay. A massive exterior shouldered stone and brick chimney is located in the center of the south gable.

The rear of the house is only one story high and two bays wide. Double hung 6/6 windows occupy each bay in the rear.

The house is covered by a replaced tin roof with replaced boxed cornice.

According to the owner, the first level of the house was used as a stable prior to her living in the building.

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 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 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

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Upon his death Hilleary left the farm to his wife, Ann, and subsequently to his son, Tilghman who also owned the farm until his death.² His son, John Hilleary purchased the valuable property from the estate for \$23,605 and ran the farm until 1891.³

Still run as a family farm, the land was subsequently owned by the Montgomery's and Schaeffer's.

The tenant house today is rented out.

¹Frederick County Probate Records, Liber H 33; Folio 190.

²Ibid., Liber TLMC 1; Folio 586.

³Frederick County Land Records, Liber WIP 13; Folio 183.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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

Cherilyn E. Widell, Coordinator

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ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

8/11/80

STREET & NUMBER

12 E. Church St., Winchester Hall

TELEPHONE

694-1063

CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

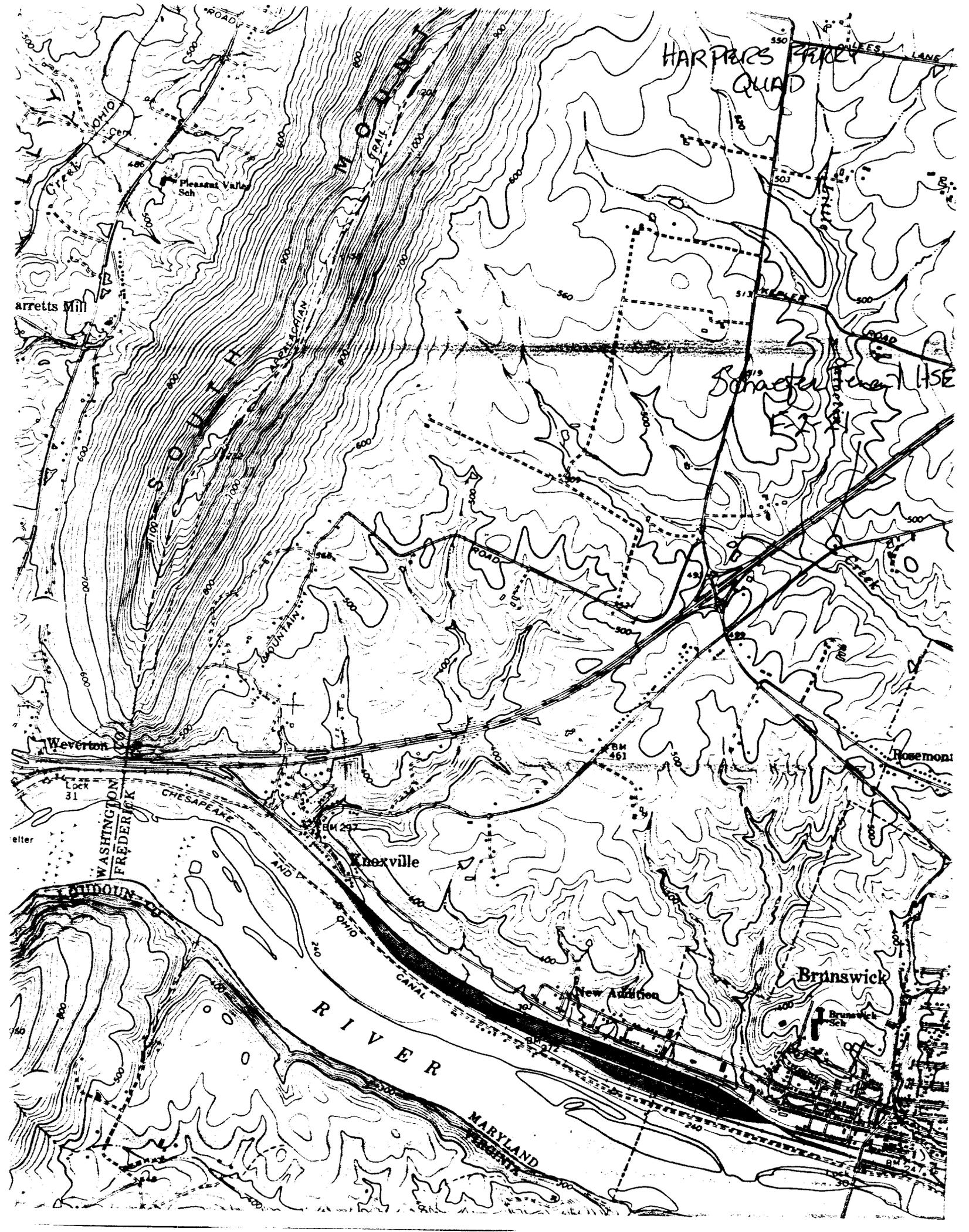
STATE

Maryland

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.

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Harper's Ferry

Pleasant Valley Sch

WASHINGTON FRÉDERICK

Waverton Lock 31

LAUDOUN

Knorrville

POTOMAC RIVER

MARYLAND

Schaefer Farm HSE

Brunswick

Brunswick Sch

New Addition

Rosemont

BM 491

BM 571

Lock 30



F-21 Schaefer
Tenant House

W/S Rte 130

Petersville

CPW 6/80

Southeast Peter



F-2-21 Schaefer Tenant
House

N/S Rte 180
Petersville

CREW 6/80

SOUTHWEST ELLEN