

S-187  
R.H. Milbourne Tenant House  
Near Kingston  
Private

c. 1870-1880

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# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic R. H. Milbourne Tenant Farm

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number West side of MD 413 South side of Annessex River  not for publication

city, town Kingston  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 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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Robert Chamberlin

street & number telephone no.:

city, town Kingston state and zip code Maryland 21871

## 5. Location of Legal Description

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

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne state Maryland 21853

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical 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
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		date of move _____

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

The R. H. Milbourne House is a two-story T-plan structure which stands on the west side of MD 413 just south of the Annesmessex River, near Kingston, Somerset County, Maryland. The c. 1870-1880 structure faces south with the primary gable running east/west.

The weatherboarded frame house is supported by a continuous brick foundation and is covered with a steeply pitched asphalt tile roof. A pair of small brick stove stacks rise from the center portions of each main section. Extending to the rear is a one-and-a-half story frame kitchen. Standing northwest of the kitchen wing are two small out-buildings of contemporary date.

The south facade is an irregular exevation with a prominent two-story gable-front and the recessed leg of the "T" which contains the main entrance. A four-panel front door is topped by a three-light transom. The adjacent bay is filled with a 2/2 sash window with louvered shutters. A front porch covers the entrance bay and stretches around to the east end of the leg. Turned porch posts are embellished with sawn corner brackets. The second floor is lighted by 2/2 sash windows, and the attic gable has a Gothic arched window with arched shutters. Small brackets decorate the eaves.

The south gable end has a single 2/2 sash window on each floor as well as an arched window that lights the attic.

The west side of the house is a three-bay elevation with a cross-gable centered on the roof. Window treatments remain essentially the same as previously described.

Attached to the north gable end of the "T" plan is a shorter 1½-story one-room plan kitchen with an interior end brick stove stack. A 6/6 sash window flanks the stack of the first floor while a 6/1 sash window lights the upper floor. The primary kitchen door is located on the west side. To the east is a single-story shed porch which is partially enclosed for a pantry. Rising in the corner of the T on the south side is a two-story shed roofed section.

The interior of this house was not seen.

Standing northwest of the kitchen is a small frame outbuilding which is presently used as a pump house. Louvered openings and its one-bay by one-bay size suggest it was formerly used as a privy. Next to the pump house is a small gable-front frame building that was converted for a tenant to occupy. The interior is fully covered with early 20th-century beaded boards, and a narrow brick stove stack rises against the west end.

# 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.

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### History and Support

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