

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Isennock House

AND/OR COMMON

Dovecote

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Long Green road

CITY, TOWN

Long Green

— VICINITY OF

Long Green Valley

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

11th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Baltimore

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input 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 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

Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Carter

Telephone #: 592-8990

STREET & NUMBER

Long Green road

21092

CITY, TOWN

Long Green

— VICINITY OF

Long Green Valley

STATE, zip code

Md.

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Record Office, City Courthouse

Liber #: 5196

Folio #: 292

STREET & NUMBER

401 Bosley Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Towson

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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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Dovecote (Isennock) House is located on a slight hill at the end of a lane marked: Pinehurst Nursery which is located on the southwest side of Long Green road just before the bend at Kaners road in central Long Green Valley, Long Green, Maryland.

Exterior

✓ The house is an early nineteenth century, three story, four bay wide shingled structure which sits on a stone foundation and is covered by a gable roof.

The original north section of the house is of chestnut log construction which was originally sheathed in weather boards that can still be seen in the attic. The weather boards were covered with wooden shingles sometime after 1880. This section of the house consists of two stories with one room on each floor and an interior chimney on the north end. The attic of this section of the house has exposed log rafters that still have their bark. Where the rafters have been closed jointed are pegs that can be seen as well as hand wrought rose head nails.

A two story ell, two bays wide, was carefully added to the south end of the original main block during the mid-nineteenth century, to convert the complex to a Mennonite Meeting house. This created the effect of a single, larger ell shaped structure. With this addition, two identical front doors, each with two panels and transom, were added to the front (east) facade. Also added was a one-story front porch with shed roof, which extends across the entire east facade, and an exterior chimney to the south end. Instead of wooden shingles, the first floor of the front (east) facade has been plastered over.

✓ Within recent years, several additions have been made to the rear (west) facade. To the northwest corner, a one-story wing with gable roof was added. This leads into a one-story, kitchen ell addition with shed roof. Above the kitchen is a second story, two bay by one bay bathroom addition with shed roof which only extends over the south east corner of the kitchen addition.

Interior

The interior of the original log house has a one room floor plan with a fireplace on the northeast corner. On the north end of the east wall is one of the two original doors with double panels and transom. On the south end of the east wall is one of two identical six-over-six sash windows with original trim. The opposite west wall mirrors the east wall with its window and door placement. Presently, this door serves as an entrance into the kitchen. The original rough plaster, peg rack for coats, fireplace with corbelled cyma recta bed moulding still remain on the first floor as well as the original board and batten doors with cast iron hardware, floor boards, closets and staircase. The staircase is centrally located in relation to the entire house. The two story ell was originally divided into two rooms on the first and second floor; one supposedly for the men and one for the women, each with a corner fireplace. The original window trim, floorboards, six-over-six sash windows and board and batten door also still exist*

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Dovecote(Isennock House)Description con't (7)Outbuildings

The outbuildings consist of a hexagonal smoke house of coursed rubble stone construction with a board and batten front door facing southeast. The building is located about 25 yards northwest ^{of} the rear (west) side of the house which is now the kitchen addition and which was then only the back door to the main block. The smoke house is in good condition. The springhouse which is about 10x10 feet, is also of coursed rubble stone construction with a modern gable roof and is located low to the ground about 35 yards east of the front (east) facade of the main house. The door and window have been removed and the building is in poor condition.

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
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
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

c.1850

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Unknown

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Dovecote (Isennock) House sits upon a slight hill in Long Green, Maryland in the vicinity of Long Green Valley and was built about 1850. It is architecturally significant as being of part log construction as well as historically significant for being one of the few examples of a Mennonite Meeting house left in Long Green Valley. The land on which the house stands was part of the parcel of land called "The Land of Promise". In 1849 Isaac Hertzler, a Mennonite, came to Long Green Valley from Morgantown, Pennsylvania, Berks County with his wife, Mary Hertzler and bought this land from Godlove K. Kane and wife, and Charles Wilson (A.W.B., Liber 432, folio 121, A.W.B., Liber 454, folio 431). Under the ownership of Isaac Hertzler, the house served as a Mennonite Meeting house probably from 1850 to about 1890 until it was sold to Charles Powel and then in 1919 to James W. Isennock.

Architecturally, it is a valuable example of a mid-nineteenth log house with features of a Mennonite Meeting house still intact in the interior. Of special interest are the log rafters, original clapboard siding and hand-made nails can be seen in the attic as well as the original smoke house and springhouse. The springhouse once served as a perpetual source of water for several people in the area. In the interior, the original peg coat racks, fireplace with corbelled bed molding, board and batten doors with wrought iron hardware, two double panel doors with transom, random width flooring and part of a plate rack resembling the corbelled bed molding, still remain.

Overall, this house and its original features intact, are an excellent source for studying the lifestyle of the Mennonites in Long Green Valley as well as for studying the architectural techniques of a log cabin of this period.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Personal recollections from: Mrs. Myrtle Lee 592-6353
(daughter of James W. Iserback)
Merle and Elizabeth Yoder
823-6317 (father was a Mennonite)

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 30

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

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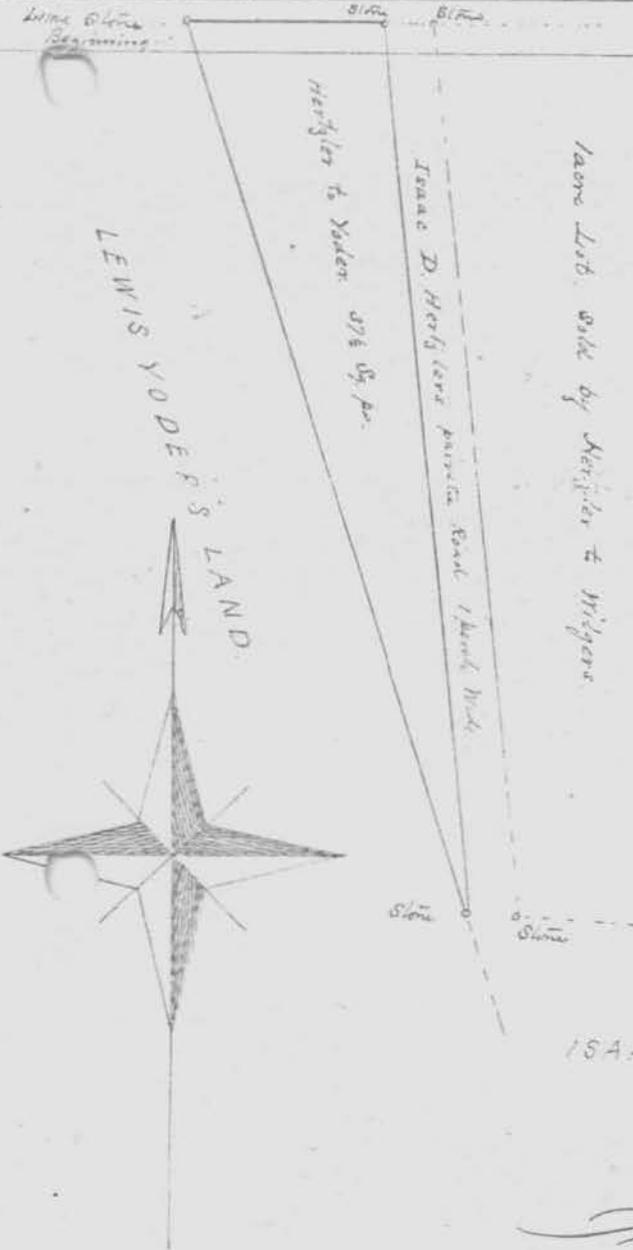
NAME / TITLE		DATE	
Patricia Rowse		May 11, 1981	
ORGANIZATION	Goucher College	TELEPHONE	825-3300
STREET & NUMBER	Box 775	STATE	Maryland
CITY OR TOWN	Towson		

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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

Public Road Unionville to Long Green Station



Beginning at a Limestone Hertford planted in the road from Unionville to Long Green Sta. at the end of the N 16°45' W. 242 ps. line of the survey of Isaac D. Hertzler's Land June 12 1885. thence in said road with the 7th line of said survey as corrected. S 89 1/2° E. 4 perches to a stone planted thence on the West side of a private Road with wide laid out for use in common of Isaac D. Hertzler & Van Wilgen S. 5 1/2° E. 187/10 perches to a stone planted in the aforesaid 242 perches line thence with said line N 9 1/4° perches to the Beginning - Containing Thirty seven and one half square perches of Land more or less.

March 9th 1889

G. S. Gooden

Baltimore

Maryland

ISAAC D. HERTZLER'S LD

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Scale of Perches

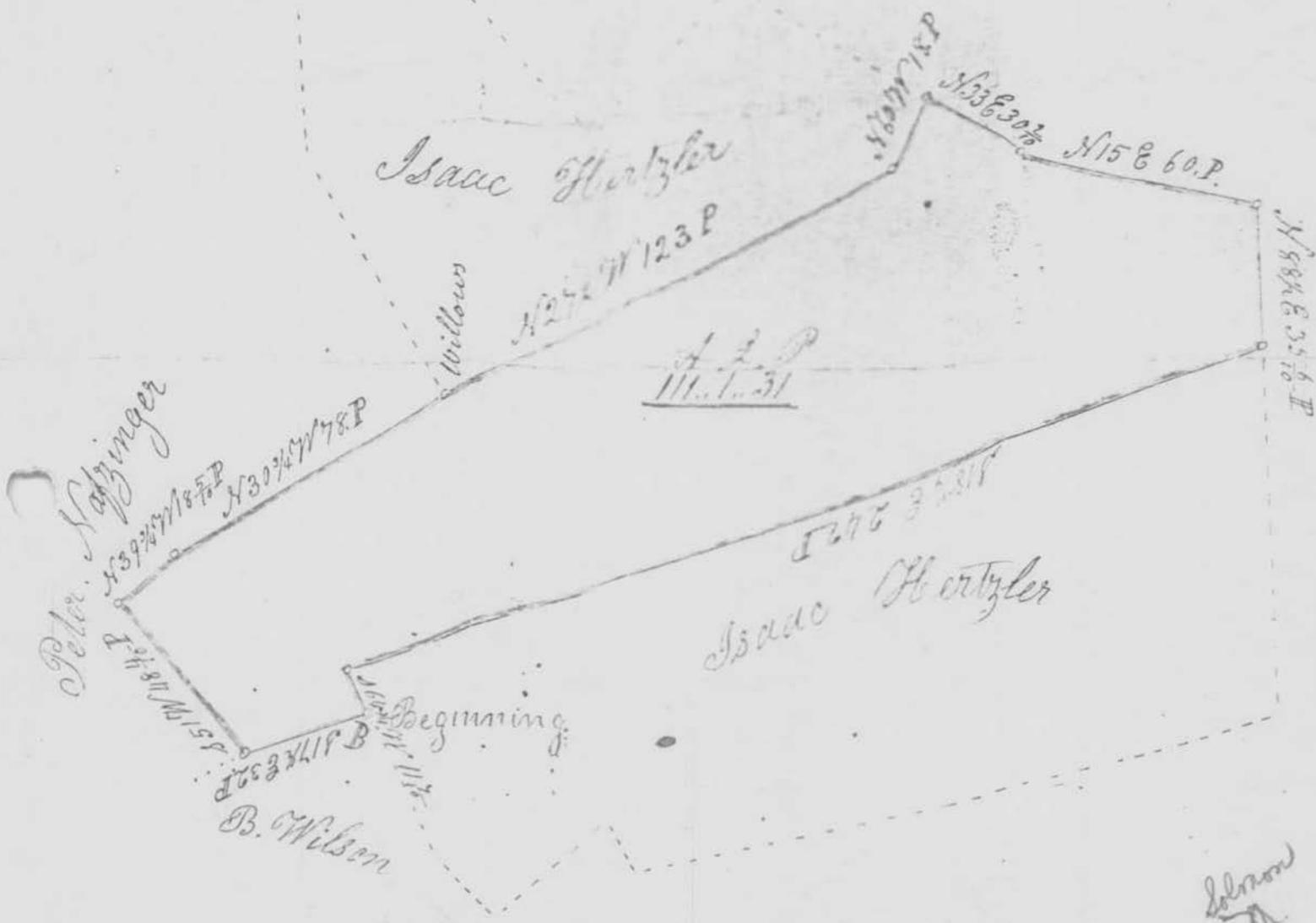
PLOT.

A PART OF

THE LAND OF PROMISE

Five Liberty Yoder Co.

From Elizabeth Yoder



The above is a plat of the land sold by Isaac Hertzler, to Yoder August 1st 1853 being Lot No. 2. of the division of said Hertzler's land, surveyed August 1st 1853.

Joseph G. Dance
from Elizabeth Yoder

Johnson

Dance

Glen Arm 1 July 61

Dear Mark,

Wollon writes "I found the Goucher reports quite interesting and I note a wide difference in quality." I list a few of his and Haile's comments, which you may attach to the reports or not, as you see fit.

God's Grace -- Cooke
by far the best -- excellent plan
title search shd. go further back

Remembrance -- Cooke
→ land grant 1773, NOT 1723. Shows in copy of deed attached.
chain of title erroneous. Haile and Hyde owned Dimmit's Delight.
Only Jenkins and George (m. Ellen Jenkins) owned the property
through Wm. Armour Jenkins who tore down the homestead in 1905
and built Remembrance.

Dawson House -- Aiello
chain of title meaningless
milestone is ordinary turnpike milestone
poor plan ... erroneous interpretation ... basic construction
not correctly identified -- orig. details not identified

Hartley House (Welsh) -- Aiello
title meaningless
mill not attached to house
mislocated on map
not brick

Dovecote Farm -- Rowse
not located on Land of Promise, located on Gunpowder (or His
Lordship's) Manor. It is just on the line. Land once owned by
Wilson family who also owned or built Yoder Farm. Log part
may have been Wilson house.

Ambrose House -- Rowse
badly mislocated on map
plan good
shd. mention former blacksmith shop on prop.

Brinton Woods -- Rowse
small wing, hardly mentioned, has chance of being orig. portion
plan might have explained unusual length

Shankin's Store -- Rowse
title shd. go back further than 1909
date of constr. not proven

Denisch House -- Ellicott
pretty fair job of hard house to do
no record of Mennonites as early as 1830
formerly Wilson land. On Land of Promise

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Wilson Church -- Ellicott

church does not face Manor Rd.
originally grey, not white. All shutter hardware new. Doorway left
of chancel not new (was door for coffins to cem.)
basement dug to install furnace after day of wood stoves
chain of title is for rental house, not church

Glen Arm Station -- MacNeish

automatic signal was not at station, but at Watchbox Hill blind
crossing $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north
plan OK

Glen Arm School -- MacNeish

OK. Inside plan of schoolhouse wd. have been interesting.

Some of these errors are common ones and quoted by owners. Understand-
able for student to take on faith. Also understandable why titles often
confused by those who don't know names and lands of area.

Am sure I cd. not have done better, or in some cases as well. Wollon
& Haile are both sticklers. Anyway, thanks again. Best,

Gulie

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 21 STATE CIRCLE
 SHAW HOUSE
 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: <i>BA-1942</i>
NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:
UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Easting/Northing
U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:
PRESENT FORMAL NAME: <i>DOVECOTE</i>
ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME: <i>ISENNOCK</i>
PRESENT USE: <i>residence</i>
ORIGINAL USE: <i>mennonite meeting house</i>
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:
BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:
PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE: Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good () Fair () Poor: ()
THEME:
STYLE: <i>log house</i>
DATE BUILT: <i>early 19th cent</i>

COUNTY: <i>Baltimore</i>
TOWN: <i>Long Green</i>
LOCATION: <i>Long Green Valley</i>
COMMON NAME: <i>Dovecote (Isennock House)</i>
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: <i>residence</i>
OWNER: <i>Mr. + Mrs. Robert Carter</i>
ADDRESS:
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No () Restricted ()
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local () State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone Brick () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
- Wall Structure
 - Wood Frame: Post and Beam Balloon () *log*
 - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick () Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 - Iron () D. Steel () E. Other:
- Wall Covering: Clapboard Board and Batten () Wood Shingle Shiplap ()
 Novelty () Stucco () Sheet Metal () Aluminum () Asphalt Shingle ()
 Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer ()
 Bonding Pattern: _____ Other: _____
- Roof Structure
 - Truss: Wood Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle () Sheet Metal ()
 Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys Sheds () Ells
 Wings () Other:

Roof Style: Gable Hip () Shed Flat () Mansard () Gambrel () Jerkinhead ()
 Saw Tooth () With Monitor () With Bellcast () With Parapet () With False Front ()
 Other:

Number of Stories: *2 1/2*

Number of Bays: *5*

Approximate Dimensions: _____

Entrance Location: *two entrances
dutch influenced (east side)*

THREAT TO STRUCTURE: No Threat () Zoning () Roads () Development <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deterioration () Alteration () Other:
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LOCAL ATTITUDES: Positive () Negative () Mixed () Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

original section log house with many original features,

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Mennonite meeting house

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North in Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane() Woodland() Scattered Buildings()
 Moderately Built Up() Densely Built Up()
 Residential Commercial()
 Agricultural Industrial()
 Roadside Strip Development()
 Other:

RECORDED BY: *Patricia Rouse*

ORGANIZATION:

DATE RECORDED:



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DOVECOTE (ISENNOCK) HOUSE Long Green, Md.

Front (east) facade

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May 1981



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DOVECOTE (ISENNOCK) HOUSE Long Green, Md.
Front (east) and side (south) facades.

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DOVECOTE (ISENNOCK) HOUSE Long Green, Md.

Detail of front (east) porch.

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DOVECOTE (ISENNOCK) HOUSE Long Green, Me
View of rear (west) and side (north) facades.

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DOVECOTE (ISENNOCK) HOUSE Long Green, Md.

Side (north) facade.

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DOVECOTE (ISENNOCK) HOUSE Long Green, Md.
Rear (west) and side (south) facades.

Patricia Rowse

May 1981



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DOVECOTE (ISENNOCK) HOUSE Long Green, Md.

View of smoke house looking northwest.

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DOVECOTE (ISENNOCK) HOUSE Long Green, Md.

View of front (southeast) facade of springhouse.

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