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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Carter-Archer House and Outbuildings  
 AND/OR COMMON Rock Run Mansion

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER Rock Run Road at its intersection with Shofford Road

CITY, TOWN Rock Run VICINITY OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT First  
 STATE Maryland COUNTY Harford

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
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**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Department of Natural Resources Telephone #:  
 STREET & NUMBER Tawes State Office Building  
 CITY, TOWN Annapolis VICINITY OF STATE, zip code Maryland

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County Courthouse Liber #: GRG 573  
 Folio #: 335  
 STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN Bel Air STATE Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE  
 DATE  
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS  
 CITY, TOWN STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

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

The Carter-Archer Mansion, located on the east side of Rock Run Road near its intersection with Stafford Road is an impressive two storey L-shaped house built, according to a datestone which appears in the west gable, in 1804. The main section which runs east-west is five bays wide and one bay deep while the north-south section is six bays wide and one bay deep. The entire structure, with the exception of the southernmost bay of the north-south section, was constructed simultaneously. The walls of the entire structure are coursed rubble stone with quoined corners. Mortar joints recently have been re-pointed.

The principle (north) facade of the main section displays a central doorway flanked by two windows with 6/6 sash on the first storey. Windows also with 6/6 sash are located in the corresponding five openings of the second storey. All windows are framed by architraved surrounds, recessed wood lintels and slightly projecting wood sills. This framing system will hold true for all windows openings of both sections. Windows are flanked by louvered shutters. An elevated one-bay portico shelters the main entrance. Chamfered wooden piers resting on attic bases and surmounted by molded capitals support the slate gable roof. The six-paneled door is recessed with paneled jambs and transom bar. A stone sill and four-light transom further define the entrance.

The gable slate roof ends in a boxed cornice crowned by a series of moldings with a shallow molded frieze running below. This cornice treatment continues around the entire "L" structure.

The west facade, with the exception of 2/4 light, fixed-sashed windows at the attic level, is without fenestration. An elaborate datestone appears below the windows. This oval stone, bearing the inscription  $\begin{matrix} J & R \\ C & \\ 1840 \end{matrix}$  is enclosed by a brick ring. Molded rake boards outline the gable area. A corbel-capped brick interior chimney rises from this facade.

The south facade yields only three bays due to the construction of the north-south section. On the first storey an entrance is located in the easternmost bay. Windows with 6/9 sash mark the two remaining openings. Windows with 6/6 sash are found above the first storey windows while a 6/4 sashed window is located above the entrance.

An interior brick chimney is located at the northeast juncture of the two sections. The west facade of the north-south section is four bays wide. A one storey shed-roofed open porch spans almost the entire facade, ending at the southernmost bay, which is a later stone addition. The porch supports are similar to the chamfered piers of the front portico. A six-paneled door, recessed with paneled jambs and head, is found in the third bay from the northwest corner; windows with 6/6 sash mark the remaining three openings. On the second storey 6/6 sashed windows are located above the window in the southernmost bay, above the doorway and above and between the two remaining first storey windows.

An interior brick chimney is located in the south wall of the original north-south section.

The one-bay south gable facade of the north-south section yields an off-centered, six-paneled door. A pent roof shelters this entrance. Directly above this entrance is a 6/6 sashed window with an architraved surround. Two six-light, fixed sashed windows flank an interior brick chimney at attic level.

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# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

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SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The following information was collected by Paul Perrod in 1976. The title search was also executed by him,

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In 1797 John Stump purchased this portion of the "Land of Promise" from Nathaniel's heirs, after building the nearby Rock Run Mill in 1795. He became a business partner with John Carter in 1801, and in 1804 the latter erected the house. Carter died soon afterwards, and Stump, who was notorious for his ruthlessness, forcibly evicted Carter's widow and re-acquired the farm and the house from Samuel Carter in 1808.

when John Stump died in 1816, his widow Cassandra, conveyed the property to her daughter Ann, who was married to Dr. John Archer, Jr. Ann had resided in this house since 1808 and would do so until her death in 1871.

Besides the Carter house and the plantation around it, the Archers also owned the Rock Run Mill, as well as much of the Bells Ferry tract that was resurveyed in 1837 and laid out as lapidum.

A great number of the Archer family enjoyed distinguished military careers.

Dr. John Archer, Jr., son of John Archer, was actively involved in the Revolutionary War. John Jr's brother Robert was also a doctor and served as a surgeon with the 42nd Maryland Militia Regiment during the War of 1812. Another son, James, entered the military and served with distinction as an officer in the Mexican War. He fought for the Confederacy during the Civil War, initially leading Texan troops and then commanding a brigade in the army of Northern Virginia. He participated in every major battle from the Seven Days until Gettysburg, where his unit was one of the first to be engaged. After being captured at Gettysburg he spent a year at the Johnson Island Prison before being repatriated to Richmond, where he died in 1864. Henry W. Archer, the youngest son, was a prominent Harford County lawyer who was also active in church and civic affairs. He served as a member of the Maryland Legislature and also with the 1867 Constitutional Convention. His first office was located on the upper floor of the springhouse.

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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

Bridget M. Deale, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

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Annapolis, Md.

STATE

Maryland 21401

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The east facade of the north-south section is six bays wide with a brick terrace constructed across the four southernmost bays. A doorway is located in the southernmost bay of the original section. A heavily architraved hood shelters this entrance. Windows with 6/9 sash occupy the four openings to the north of the doorway. A 6/6 sashed window is located in the single bay of the southern addition. On the second storey six 6/6 sashed windows appear in the corresponding openings. Windows on this facade are flanked by louvered shutters. A cellar entrance is located in the northernmost bay. Two three light fixed sashed small windows also appear at basement level.

A herringbone brick walk begins at the southern end of the west facade of the main section and continues along the rear "L", around the south facade of the north-south section and ultimately leads to the east terrace.

#### INTERIOR

The main section of the mansion is very straight forward: a central hall flanked by parlors on the first floor and bedrooms on the second. The west parlor has been fully restored and furnished with period furniture. Original recessed panel reveals with architraved surrounds define the window openings. Beaded chair, cornice molding and baseboards skirt the perimeter of the room. The six-paneled door is pegged and is framed by an architraved surround. The fireplace opening yields an elaborate mantel. The east parlor, although not fully restored possesses similar trim. The central stair runs along the west hall wall. It is two run, open string design with a rounded newel post and fluted balusters. The two rooms of the second floor are similar to those of the first floor.

The north-south section is a series of rooms, one following the other. The most impressive space is the kitchen located in the southern end of this section. A huge brick hearth and oven with the original andirons and cranes still intact is currently being restored by park personnel. A second stairway, this one being a narrow winder, leads from the kitchen to the upstairs slave quarters which is sealed off from the rest of the house.

#### OUTBUILDINGS

##### Carridge House/Barn

This two storey fieldstone structure is located several hundred yards below the main house. The heavily quoined stone walls are three bays by two with louvered windows. Large vertical boarded doors are found on the nothereast and wouthwest sides with stone voussoirs over each. Three regular doors, one with a shed pediment, are located slong the east facade, as is the loft door. There are pattern brick louvers in the walls. The cellar is built into the hillside on the southeast side, with a retaining wall around it. The gable roof is wood-shingled.

##### Privy

This structure is located behind the barn. It is a very small one-storey shanty of the same stone with a new hip roof and box cornice. The doorway is on the western side and there are slit windows on the northern and southern walls.

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### Springhouse

This building is further down the slope from the rest of the outbuildings, near Rock Run Mill. Again, it is of the same type of uncoursed stone, with quoined corners. The structure is of two storeys, two bays wide and one bay deep. The windows are restored louvers with pegged frames. Doorways are found on the northeast and west sides. The gable roof is of restored wood shingles.

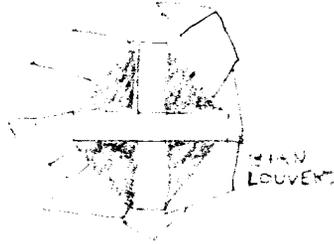
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CONTINUATION OF CARTER-ARCHER MANSION SIGNIFICANCE

The Maryland Historical Magazine in its March, June and December 1961 issues has published a series called, "James J. Archer Letters" edited by C. A. Porter Hopkins.

Barn

This two-story building is located several hundred yards below the house, facing towards the northeast. The stone walls are three bays by two with louvered windows which have been replaced. Large board-and-batten doors are located on the northeast and southwest sides, with arches over each one. Three regular doors, one with a shed pediment, are located along the eastern embrasure, as is the loft door. There are patterned brick louvers in the walls. The cellarway is built into the hillside on the southeast side, with a retaining wall around it. The roof is gable-front and is wood-shingled.



Privy

This structure is located just behind the barn. It is a very small one-story shanty of the same stone with a new hip roof and box cornice. The doorway is on the western side and there are slit windows on the northern and southern walls. Inside is the original plaster on the walls, as well as an old clothes rack and three-hole commode.

Springhouse

This building is further down the slope from the rest of the outbuildings, just across the road from the Rock Run Mill. Again, it is of the same type of uncoursed stone, with quoined corners. The structure is of two stories, with bays that measure two by one. The windows are restored louvers with pegged frames. One door is on the northeast side, the direction in which the building faces, while the other is on the second level on the western side, flush with the ground due to the slope that the building is situated upon. The gable flank roof of wood shingles is a restoration, as are the eaves.

TITLE SEARCH

<u>Libre</u>	<u>Folio</u>	
GRG	573 335	In 1961, Marie Wilkinson Turcotte and Henry Turcotte sold two parcels, measuring 1.74 and 39.54 acres, to the Maryland Department of Forests and Parks.
Will TLA	24 219	These same two plots were left to the Turcottes by this will after the deaths of Wilfred W. Wilkinson in 1953 and Maude E. Wilkinson in 1958.
DGW	213 317	1. Lavinia Macklem sold the 33-acre tract of the Rock Run Mill to Wilfred W. Wilkinson in 1929.
WSF	113 154	In 1904, William S. Archer and Henry W. Archer, trustees, sold the 33 acres to John M. Macklem. The deed states that this tract was part of the Land of Promise, which was owned by Nathaniel Giles until his death in 1775, and which was then sold in 1797 by Elizabeth Giles to John Stump of Stafford.
GCB	282 219	2. In 1943, Elizabeth Esley sold 1 1/2 acres to Wilfred W. Wilkinson.
JAF	160 453	William S. Archer, surviving executor, sold the plot to Elizabeth Esley in 1918.
ALJ	38 84	Henry W. Archer, Jr., was named as a trustee after a court case involving Henry W. Archer and Thomas W. Maddock. In 1878, the trustee sold Henry W. Archer the Rock Run Mill property of 50 acres as well as an adjacent farm of 132 acres, three roods and 36 perches. The trustees were holding the property after the death of Ann Archer, daughter of John Stump. Ann had been left considerable holdings including the Rock Run Mill and the old Carter house after John Stump's death in 1816. Ann died in 1871, leaving the property to her son, Henry W. Archer, as executor.
HD	" 373	Cassandra Stump, widow of John Stump, conveyed the mill property to John and Ann Archer in 1816. They also received the tract where Lapidum was laid out.
HD	" 297	Samuel Carter, son of John Carter, sold his interest in the mill and the house to John Stump. The tract measured 40 acres in this 1808 transaction.
JLV	" 320	In 1801, John Stump sold to John Carter a half-interest in the mill property that was once part of the Land of Promise.
JLT	" 374	In 1797, Elizabeth Giles, daughter of Nathaniel Giles, sold 200 acres to John Stump, Jr.

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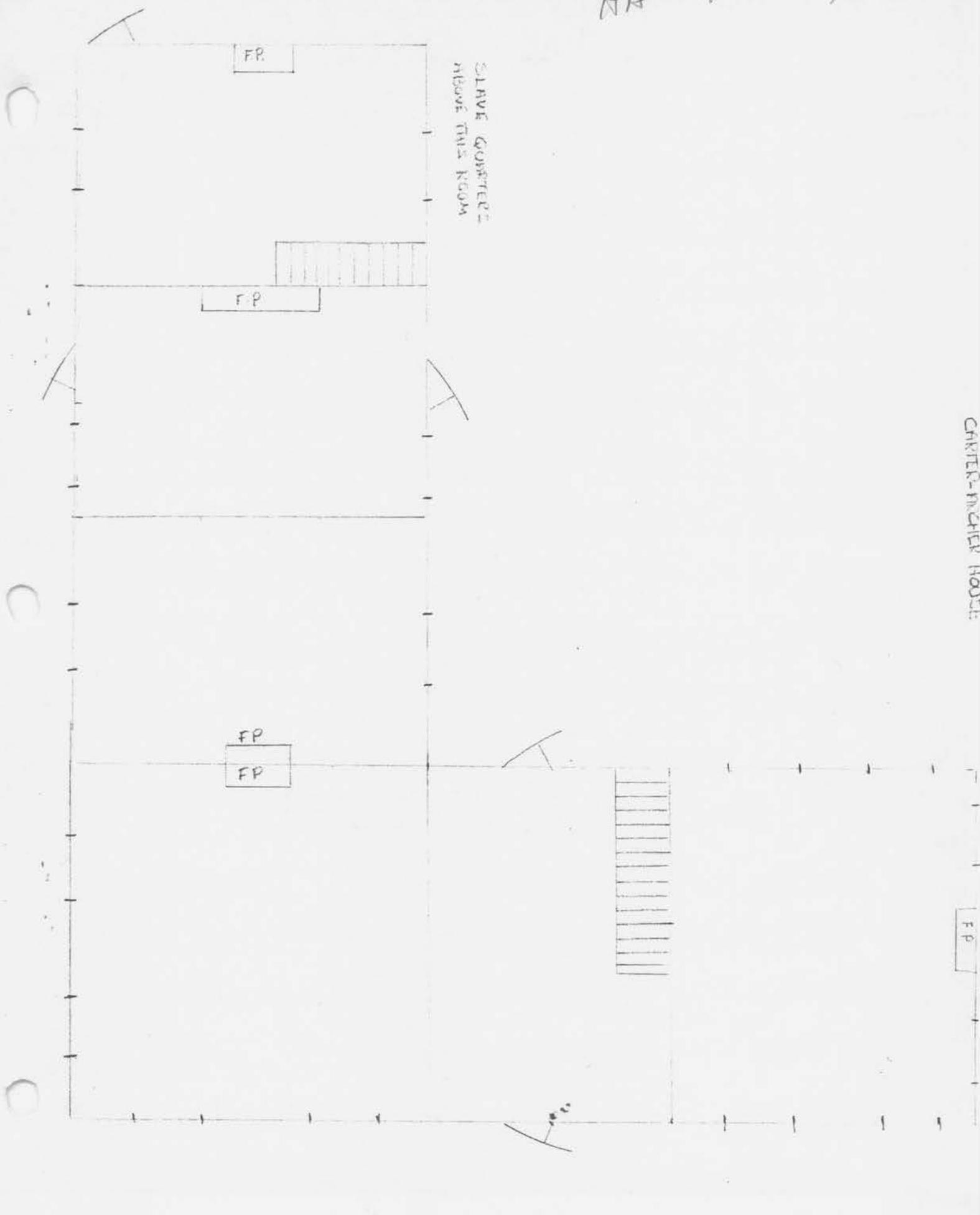
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The executors of the Jacob Giles estate conveyed one-half acre ~~near~~ Rock Run Landing to John Stump in 1794.

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SLAVE CORNER  
ABOVE THIS ROOM

CARTER-MINCHER HOUSE



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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Carter-Archer House and outbuildings

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Rock Run Road

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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First

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

Harford

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**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Maryland Department of Natural Resources

Telephone #: 267-5656

STREET & NUMBER

Tawes State Office Building

CITY, TOWN

STATE, zip code

Annapolis

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Liber #: GRG 573

Folio #: 335

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CITY, TOWN

STATE

Bel Air

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DATE

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DEPOSITORY FOR  
 SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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

This is an L-shaped two-story house that points towards the northeast. The longer leg runs north-south while the shorter one is east-west oriented. The entire structure was built simultaneously, with the possible exception of a two by one bay part of the extreme southern portion of the house, which has a newer stone seam. The walls of the entire structure are coursed rubble stone with quoined corners. Overall, the bays run as six by five on the outside of the "L" and four bays by three on the inside. Windows are 6 X 9, enclosed in recent frames and sashes, and there are two six-pane attic windows on either end of the house. Slit cellar openings are positioned near the northeast corner and on the northern side, where the foundation is highest. Two doors face the river on the western embrasure, one being a central entrance and the other a cellar door, near the northwest corner. The main entrance is located on the northeast side, complete with a four-light transom. There is a door directly behind the main one on the southern side, as well as an opposite member on the eastern side to the river-facing entrance. The last such opening is on the extreme southern end of the house. The porch over the eastern entrance is actually a gable pediment, with a stone base and a wood railing. A similar pillared structure shields the northeastern main entrance. A five-bay shed-roof porch extends along the entire eastern embrasure of the north-south leg. A shed-pediment encloses the southern doorway. The roof is a gable flank, meeting at a hipped corner where the two legs intersect, and is slate-covered. The corbeled brick chimneys are original. Two interior center-line chimneys are situated on the north-south wing, and a flush-end is located on both the southern and western extremes of the wings. A date-stone, ringed with brick, appears on the western wall under the chimney and reads " C " . A brick patterned walk skirts the house along the entire inside of the "L", and a second such walk leads to the northeast porch. Granite steps lead to the arbor, located on the northwest side of the house.

The kitchen is located in the extreme southern end with a huge brick fireplace and oven. The old andirons and cranes are still in it. There is original panelled trim around all of the door and window recesses in all of the rooms as well as beaded chair rails and shoe molding. Some of the doors have retained their old hardware. There are two sets of opposite doors, though only the western one constitutes a thru-hall, where the stairs are. A second stairwell leads to the upstairs slave quarters, sealed off from the rest of the house, and there is a loft above this for the housing of more slaves. The dining room on the first floor is situated so that food had to be brought from the kitchen via the western door and outdoors to the southern entrance to the thru-hall. In the full basement, there are arches underneath all of the fireplaces and there is also evidence of pegging in the beams.

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 30.54

### VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY
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Maryland

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INVENTORY NO. 192, 193, 194 ELECTION DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: 4/26/76 TAX MAP NO. \_\_\_\_\_

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor PARCEL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PROPERTY: ROCK RUN SPRINGHOUSE

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: SUSI STATE PARK, NR. ROCK RUN RD

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: NORTHEAST

NAME OF OWNER: SUSI STATE PARK / MD. DEPT. FORESTS + PARKS

ADDRESS: ANNAPOLIS MD.

STORIES: 1[ ] 2[] 3[ ] 4[ ] 5[ ] 6[ ] BAYS: 1[ ] 2[ ] 3[ ] 4[ ] 5[ ]

WINGS, ADDITIONS: 2 x 1 6[ ] 7[ ] [ ]

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten(type?)
- BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- LOG

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS NONE

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE FLUSH WITH GROUND

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1[ ] <sup>LEUNOX</sup> 2/2[ ] 6/6[ ] 9/6[ ] 9/9[ ] other[ ]  
pegged[] nailed[ ] wide[ ] narrow[]  
original[ ] replaced[]

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: 1 ON NE SIDE, 1 ON SECOND LEVEL W SIDE

HARDWARE: original[ ] replaced[]  
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: SIMPLE  
original[ ] replaced[]

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK , HIP, MANSARD, FLAT, DORMERS  
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original[ ] replaced[]

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed[ ] hip[ ] gable[ ]

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 0 BRICK[ ] STONE[ ] CORBELED[ ] original[ ] replaced[ ]  
LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ARCHES:

COMMENTS: Building built into hillside - spring enters it there

Barn

2200, 1977

unconcrete fieldstone

all hardware + some trim  
replaced - mostly by gutters

2 stories - state property - out on Rd. - floor N<sup>W</sup>

slate roof - 3 x 4 bay - another main door <sup>N<sup>W</sup> side</sup> - covered windows, replaced  
wood fieldstone - beaded joints added later

three doors east side + loft door, shed roof over 1 - all replaced  
opening <sup>front</sup> small side - brick "over" supports each hole

very little, if any, eave

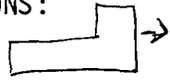
hillside - level floor in rear - out over it - double ~~board~~ <sup>board, batten - old broken rest</sup> ~~board~~  
low level into hillside - has retaining wall and <sup>cellar</sup> ~~cellar~~ ramp

spring house - out house - 3 holes - no plaster inside

very small - some construction - top roof + box corner  
original windows + eaves rest - slit windows on N + S side, original  
removed  
doorway on W side - up hill from barn - "where!"

INVENTORY NO. 192, 193, 194 ELECTION DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATE: 4/26/76 TAX MAP NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor PARCEL NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
 NAME OF PROPERTY: ARCHER - CARTER HOUSE  
 LOCATION OF PROPERTY: SUS. STATE PARK - ROCK RUN ROAD NE. STAFFORD RD.  
 DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: NW  
 NAME OF OWNER: MD. DEPT. OF FORESTS + PARKS  
 ADDRESS: ANNEAPOLIS, M.D.

STORIES: 1[ ] 2[✓] 3[ ] 4[ ] 5[ ] 6[ ] BAYS: 1[ ] 2[ ] 3[ ] 4[ ] 5[ ]

WINGS, ADDITIONS:  6[ ] 7[ ] [ ]  
 6 x 5 outside L  
 inside L  
 4 x 3 ↑

WALL CONSTRUCTION:  
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 [✓] STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated  
 [ ] LOG COURSED - BEHIND MCKTAK PART OF LATER

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS *None with brick just under chimney on NW corner*  
 FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE - *FLUSH small column down*  
 WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1[ ] 2/2[ ] 6/6[ ] 9/6[ ] 9/9[ ] other[ ] 6/9  
 pegged[ ] nailed[ ] wide[ ] narrow[ ]  
 original[ ] replaced[ ]

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: *2 ON WESTERLY SIDE - 1 CENTRAL, 1 OVER NE CORNER*  
*1 MAIN ON NE SIDE*  
*1 ON S. SIDE DIRECTLY BEHIND MAIN DOOR, ONE ON EAST SIDE BEHIND OTHER DOOR*  
 HARDWARE: original[ ] replaced[✓]  
 FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN ✓ *1 ON EXTREME S. SIDE*

CORNICE, BARGE, <sup>BOX</sup>EAVES: <sup>REGULAR</sup> *PRIZE*  
 original[ ] replaced[✓]

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, MANSARD, FLAT, DORMERS  
 MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original[✓] replaced[ ]

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed[✓] hip[ ] gable[ ] *men porch*  
*pediment*  
*stone base - wood railings*  
*5-BAY SHED PORCH*  
*SLATE SHINGLES ON EAST SIDE*

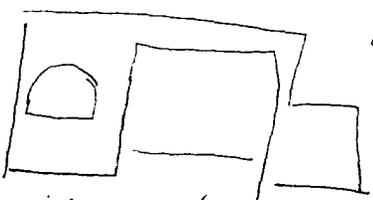
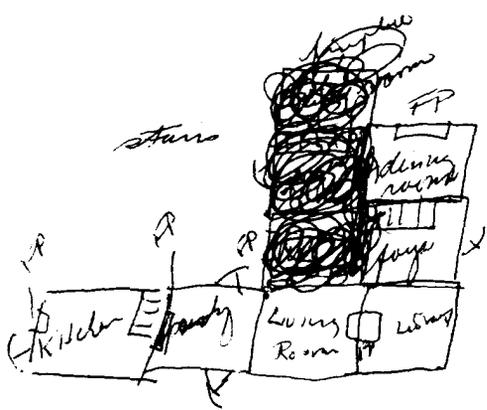
CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 4 BRICK[✓] STONE[ ] CORBELED[ ] original[ ] replaced[ ]  
 LOCATION: *2 INSIDE EAVES ON W. WING - ONE OUTSIDE END ON NW CORNER*  
*1 OUTSIDE END*

ARCHES:

COMMENTS: *stone porch with wooden railing and balustrade - triangular, unsupported pediment over doorway - small stoop on top of large stone porch*

back walk to main part  
 granite blocks down lead to arbor on the corner, back floor  
 brick patterned walk steps house all around ~~with~~ scale and  
 shell-pediment  
 front over door on extreme south side

cut clear on south end  
 huge fireplace over. door extends S. side has original hardware

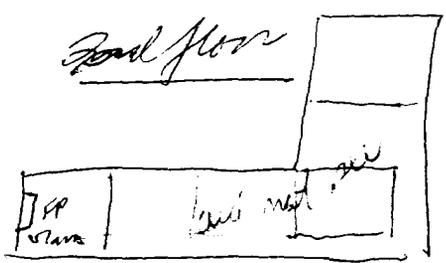
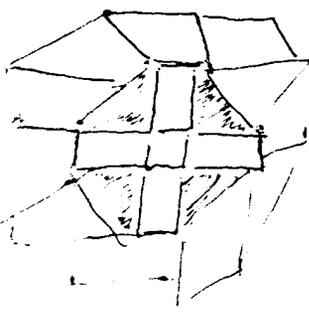


old windows and  
 put back shell  
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interior has old hardware on doors,  
 cast rocks  
 & thin walls

panelled ~~framed~~ door +  
 living room - beaded <sup>chain</sup> rail and moldings  
 library

located and under all  
 main fireplace on kitchen  
 evidence of peering  
 large window  
 kitchen fireplace

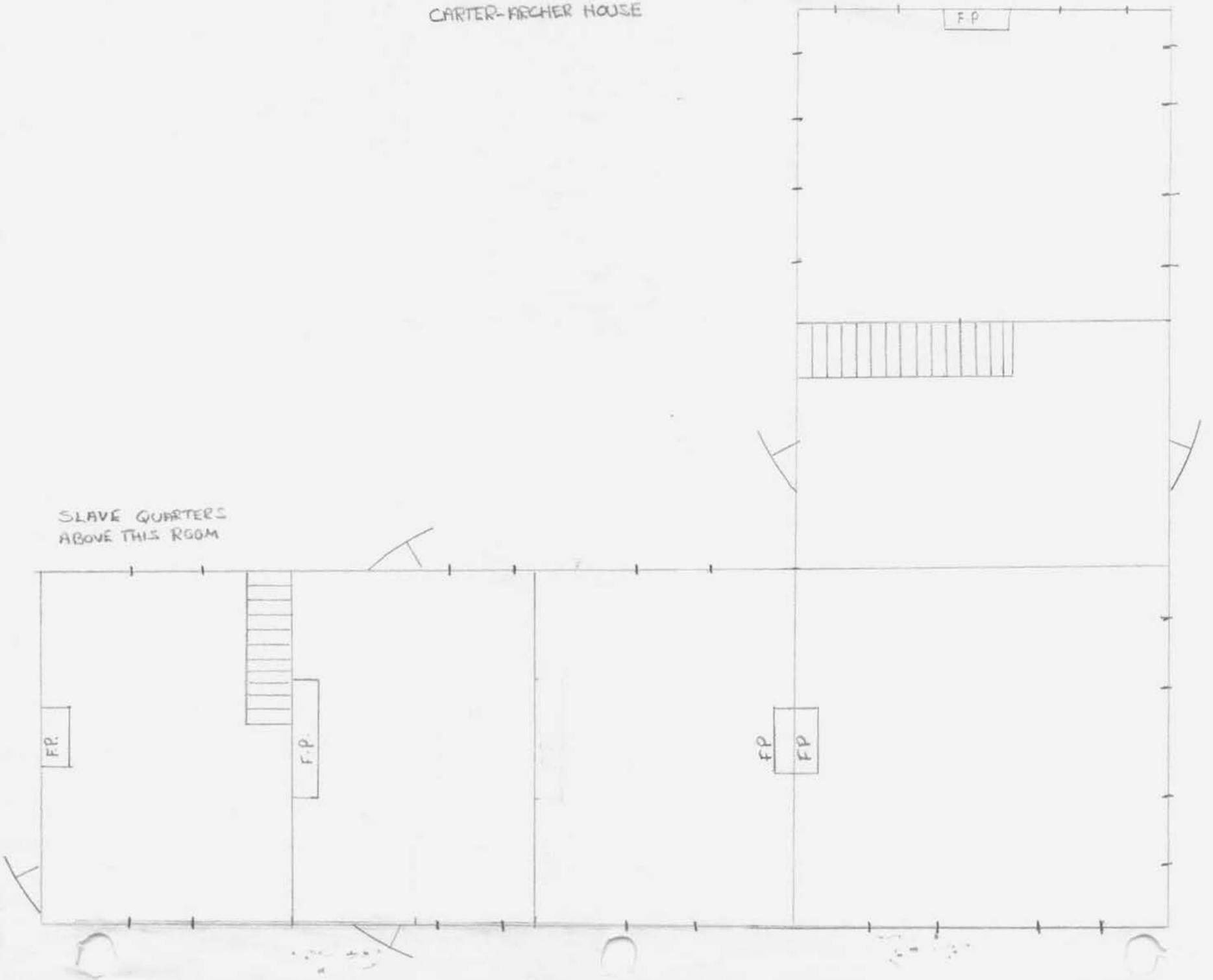


findings starting to start quarters, isolated  
 ladder ~~above~~ this lead to other section more ~~above~~

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CARTER-KRCHER HOUSE

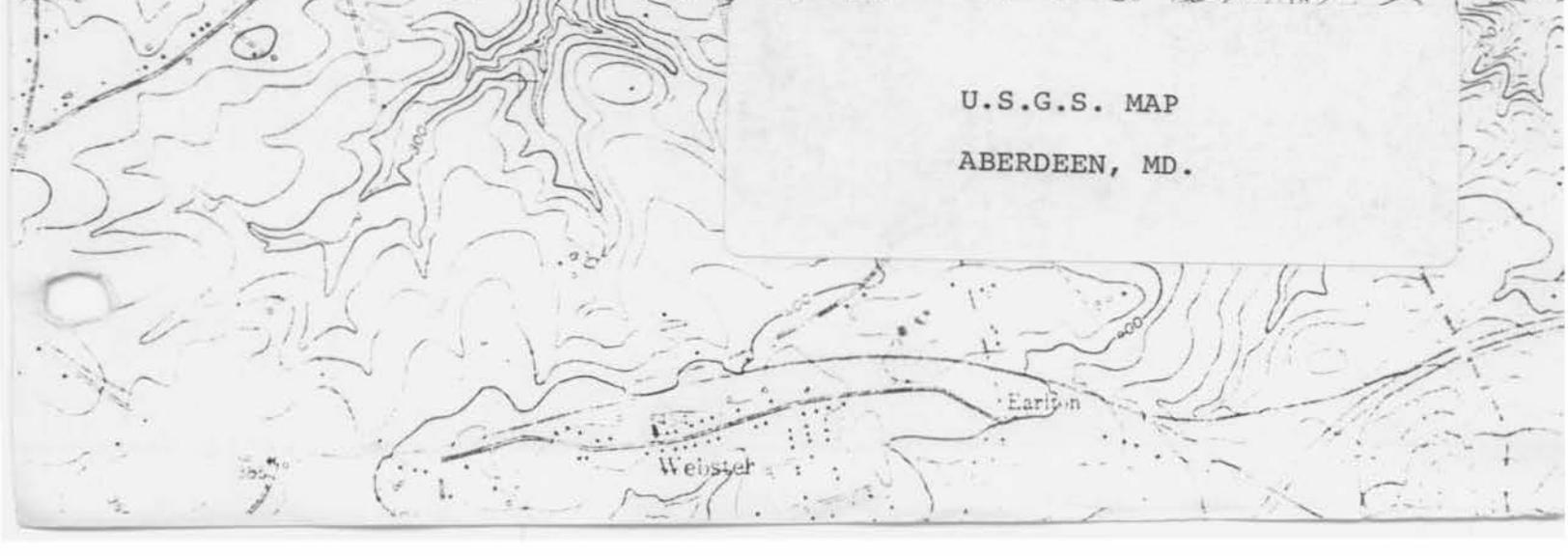
SLAVE QUARTERS  
ABOVE THIS ROOM



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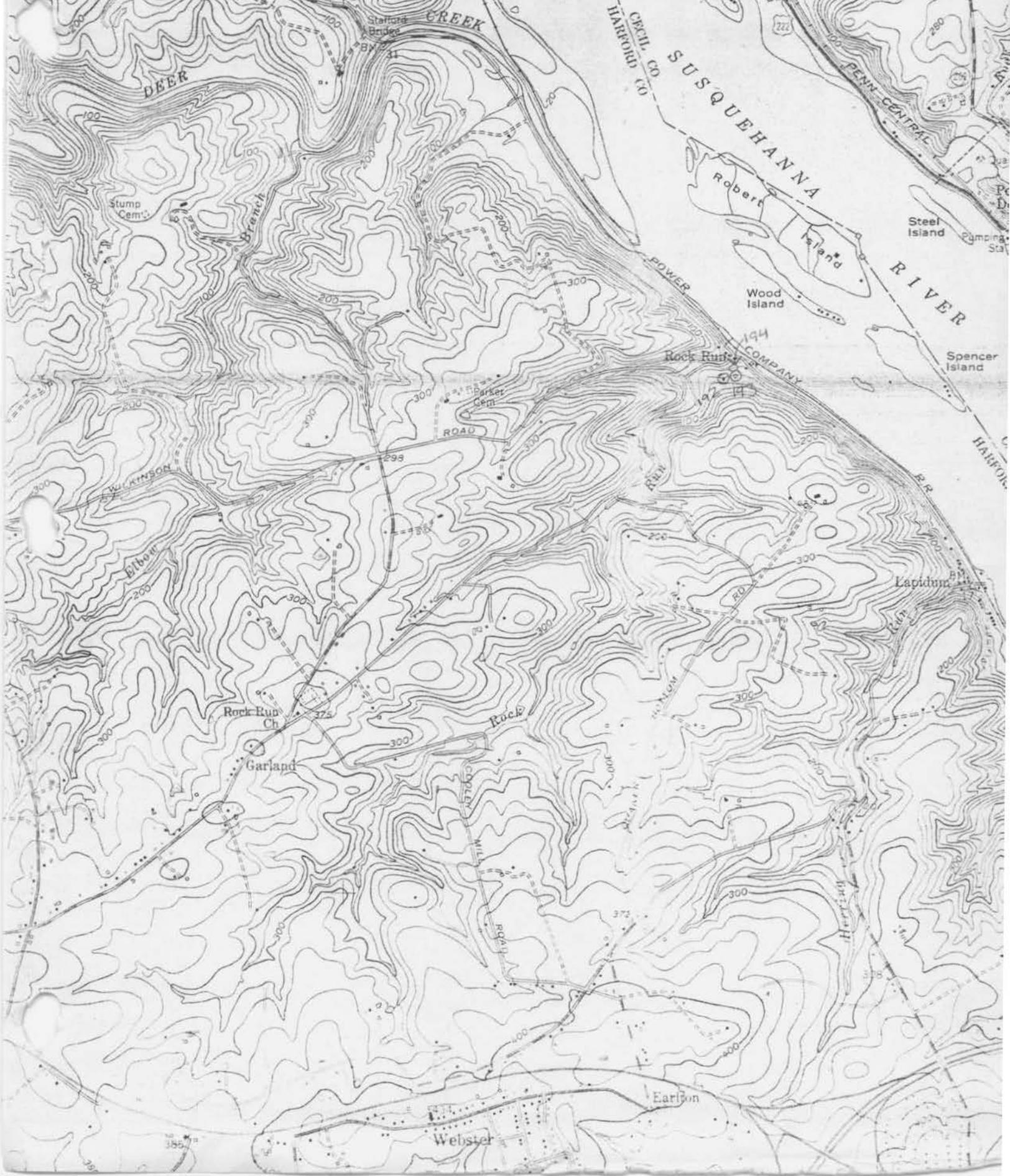


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ABERDEEN, MD.



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CARTER - ARCHER HOUSE  
INTERIOR - FRONT HALL & STAIRS  
ROCK RUN & STAFFORD ROAD  
DARLINGTON, MD

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INTERIOR

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CARTER-ARCHER MANSION  
ROCK RUN 1 STAFFORD ROADS  
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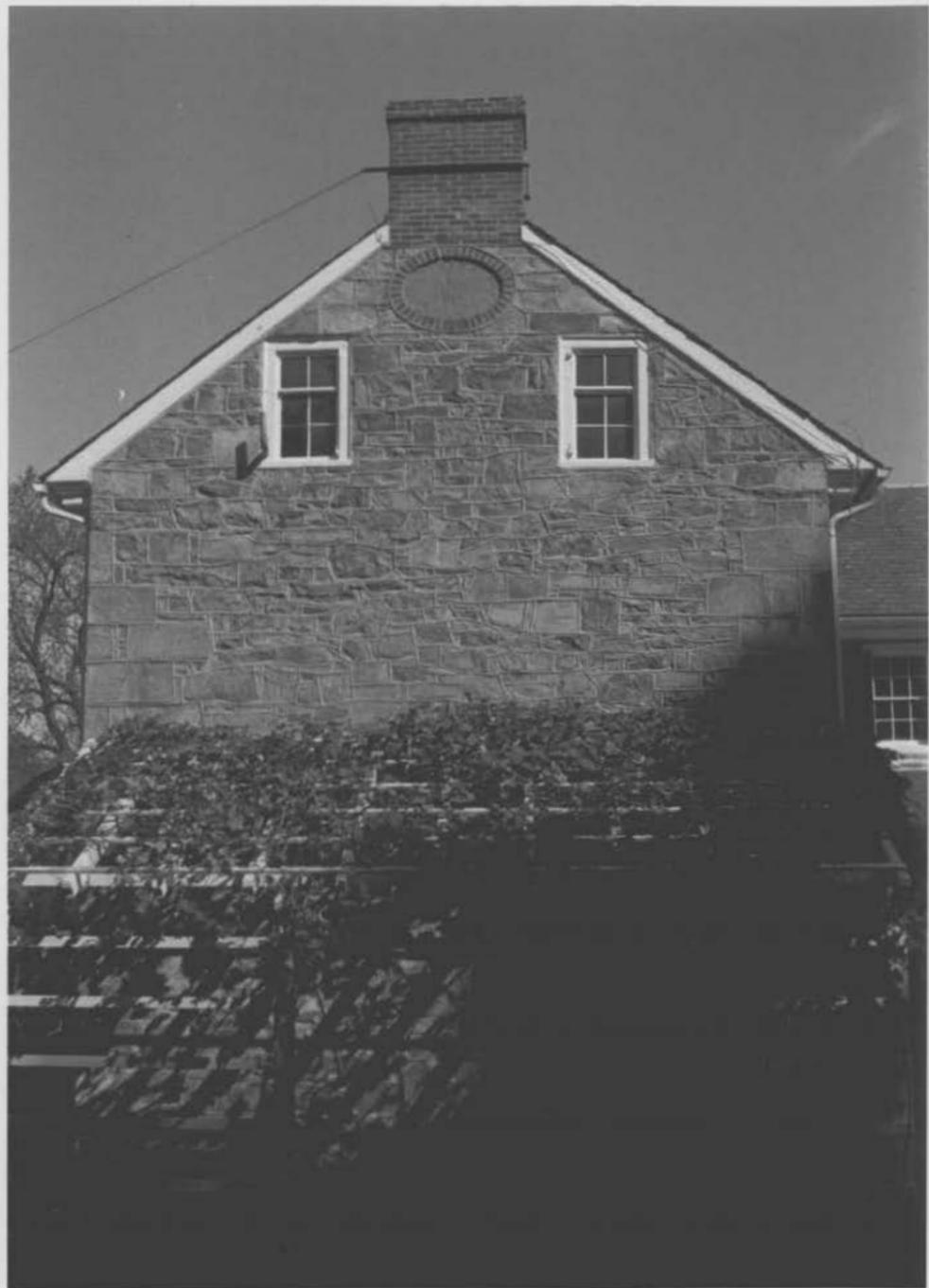
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CARTER / ARCHER MANSION  
ROCK RUN + STAFFORD ROADS  
SUSQUEHANNA STATE PARK

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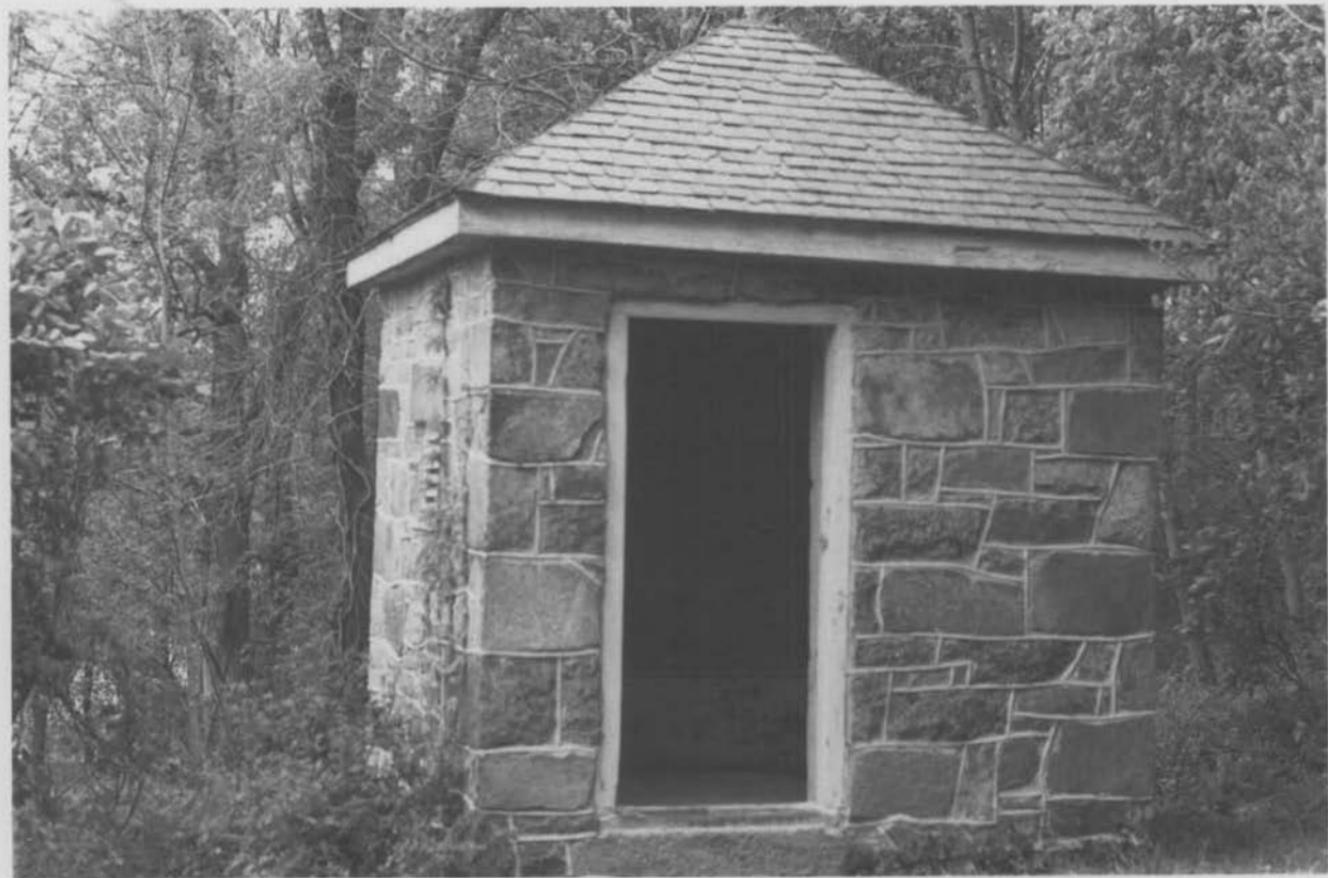
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Rock Run Road  
Havre de Grace, MD  
Paul Penrod 4/76  
Southern Side



Carter-Archer Privy HA-192  
Rock Run Road  
Havre de Grace, MD  
Paul Penrod 4/76  
Northern side



Carter Archer Springhouse HA-194

Rock Run Road

Havre de Grace, MD

Paul Penrod

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southwest side



Carter Archer House HA-194

Rock Run Road

Havre de Grace, MD

Paul Penrod

Northwest side

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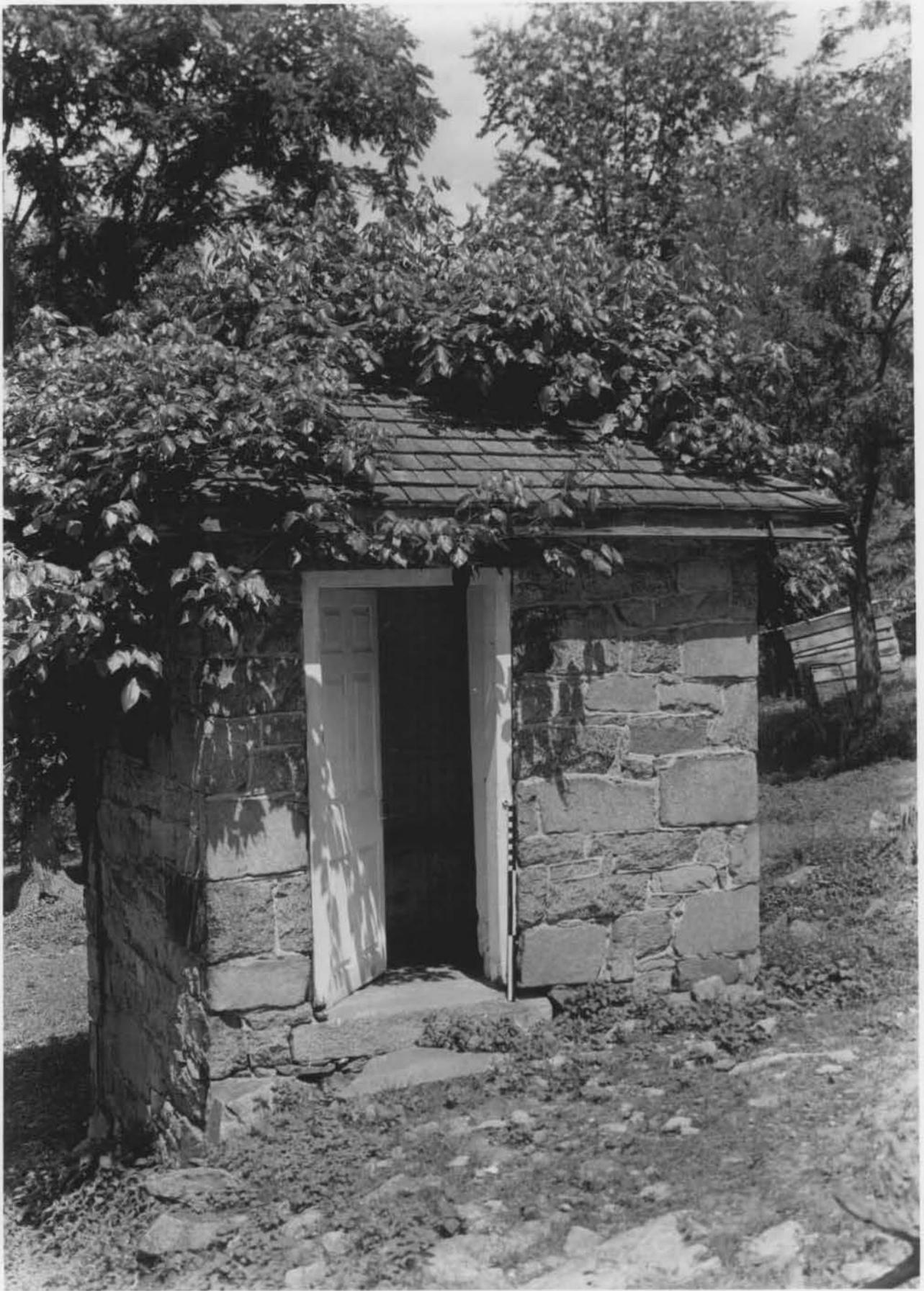
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CARTER-ARCHER CARRIAGE HOUSE  
ROCK ROW + STAFFORD ROAD  
DARLINGTON, MD

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CARTER - ARCHER OUTBUILDING  
ROCK RUN & STAFFORD ROAD  
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CARTER ARCHER CARRIAGE HOUSE  
STAFFORD + ROCK RUN ROADS  
DARLINGTON, MD.

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Carter-Archer Barn HA-193

Rock Run Road

Havre de Grace, MD

Paul Penrod

4/76

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CARTER-ARCHER CARRIAGE KOOSE  
ROCK RUN + STAFFORD ROAD  
DARLINGTON, MD.

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