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1870-1900

Dorsey and Julia Carroll House (Site)
Blocktown community, Boyds vicinity
Private

This two story log house was similar to most others of the late 19th century in construction and floor plan, having two rooms down and two up. It is not known who the 19th century occupants were, but in the 20th the house was owned and occupied by a Black family, the Carrolls.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Dorsey and Julian Carroll House (site)

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

West side of Slidell Road

CITY, TOWN

Boys

x VICINITY OF Blocktown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

8

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<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
	No	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

W.E. and D.K. Jackson

Telephone #: Not listed

STREET & NUMBER

Slidell Road

CITY, TOWN

Boys

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 20720

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #: 4170

Folio #: 252

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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

 DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

According to Dorothy Curtis, this was a two story log house. The logs were covered with weatherboards. The gable end of the house was oriented to the east, in the direction of the Slidell Road. The house stood just a short distance from the roadway, about 12' to 14', Mrs. Curtis recalls. This was typical she says.

In plan the house consisted of two rooms down and two up with a "summer kitchen" attached to the west gable end. The facade was oriented to the south. A front door opened into the parlor (the east room). The other room was the kitchen and dining room. A stove flue was built along the "front wall". The summer kitchen also had a stove flue in one back corner.

Below the house was a cellar, where the family kept the garden produce that they had canned along with barrels of wine that they made from the grapes they raised. Behind the summer kitchen of this house had been built a grape arbor.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input checked="" 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/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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		Black History	
				Local History	

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Though this house was of log construction, its appearance resembled that of a frame building, and its plan was not unlike that of other houses of Black landowners.

It is not known when this house was built, but since it is similar in construction and plan to other log houses of the last quarter of the nineteenth century, it is possible that it was constructed at that time.

According to Dorothy Curtis, the house was the home of Dorsey and Julian Carroll when she knew it. But the deed 414/230 shows that they purchased it in 1926, rather late in the history of the Blocktown community. The earlier owners were Allen and Rhoda Smith but their identity is not known.

The next deed in sequence (JA 6/471) shows that Rhode E. Nicholson acquired the land from James E. and Sarah J. Williams and from Mahlon T. and Georgiana Servic in 1887. Their identity too is not known. As a result, it cannot be determined at this point whether the house was occupied by white and/or black families before the residency of the Carrolls, who are known to have been black.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with Dorothy Curtis, by George McDaniel, not taped. Boyds, Maryland, March and April, 1979.
Registry of Deeds, Montgomery County Courthouse, Rockville, Maryland.

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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

George W. McDaniel, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Sugarloaf Regional Trails

4/79

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Box 87

926-4510

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Dickerson

Maryland 20753

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