

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Fletcher Veitch Farmhouse

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 5211 Brookeville Rd. not for publication

city, town Laytonsville vicinity of congressional district 8th

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 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"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name James Graham III

street & number 5211 Brookeville Rd. telephone no.:

city, town Laytonsville state and zip code Maryland, 20760

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Montgomery County Court House 5043
liber

street & number folio 770

city, town Rockville state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title MNCPPC Historic Sites Inventory

date 1976 federal state county local

depository for survey records Park Historian's Office

city, town Rockville state Maryland

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 checked="" 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

This is a long, low, two-story frame house, that has been extended in length. The original part may be a log building, underneath the present asbestos shingles. It appears that there is at least one internal chimney fireplace. The house faces south, with a central door. A large, log building of some type stands at the rear of the house. (Detailed description not available at the time of the survey.)

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8. Significance

Survey No.

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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/humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 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
<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 circa. 1864 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.

The Fletcher Veitch farmhouse is significant as an example of vernacular architecture typical of that constructed in Montgomery County from the mid-nineteenth through the early twentieth centuries. The earlier part of the house was a single room log structure which is now the kitchen of the present day house.¹ It is believed to have been built by Fletcher R. Veitch about 1864.² The house originally sat on 439 3/4 acres of parts of land tracts referred to as "Addition to Dickerson's Choice" and "Addition to Brooke Grove." Fletcher purchased the land in 1863 from Enoch B. Hutton and Elizabeth, his wife, for \$1377.56.³ Fletcher's occupation was that of a farmer.⁴ Fletcher later added another log section to the house, a two story addition consisting of two rooms[#] and two rooms down.⁵ Frame additions were later made to the house as well.

During the years 1876 and 1877, Fletcher attempted to sell the farm. The advertisement for its sale printed in the Sentinel described the farm as being 439 acres on both sides of the road from Laytonsville to Mechanicsville; about 2 1/2 miles from Brookeville, 3 miles from Mechanicsville and 3 miles from Laytonsville. The improvements consisted of a frame house, frame barn, three tenant houses and other outbuildings.⁶ However, the farm was not sold at this time.

In 1894, Fletcher defaulted on the farm's mortgage and it was sold by attorneys Thomas Anderson and William Veirs Bouic to William H. Dunawin in 1895.⁷ The mortgagee's sale of the property described it as a farm of 156 acres, 1 rod and 27 perches, fronting on the Laytonsville-Olney Rd., opposite the farm of William H. Childs (and adjoining the property of Reuben Riggs, William Dunawin and Charles Fisher). Approximately 100 acres were then in cultivation. The improvements were merely described as "indifferent" but that they "could be made to serve by a reasonable expenditure of money."⁸

Margaret M. Dunawin, widow of William H., sold the farmhouse in May of 1927 to Charles R. Rowdybush.⁹ Charles and his wife, Rhonda Rowdybush, immediately sold the house to James and Hazel Graham. In 1958, the house was conveyed to James Graham III by the last will and testament of his Aunt, Hazel

see attachment sheet A

attachment sheet A

Graham.¹¹ The house is presently the property of James and his wife, Joan. In a conversation with Joan, she stated that many additions had been made to the house over the years. Although the slave houses that were located behind the house were torn down in 1927 or 1928, the smoke house still stands, behind the house.¹³

¹Conversation with Joan Graham, the present owner, 10/6/82.

²Date based on the date the land was purchased, date it appears on tax records with improvements and its appearance on the county map of 1865.

³Deed EBP 1/161, Mont. Co. Land Records.

⁴Boyd, History of Montgomery County, & the census of 1880.

⁵Joan Graham

⁶Sentinel, Oct. 6, 1876 & Dec. 12, 1877.

⁷Deed EBP 22/339, Mont. Co. Land Records.

⁸Equity #565, JA 13/61, Mont. Co. Judgement Records.

⁹Deed 424/449, Mont. Co. Land Records.

¹⁰Joan Graham

¹¹Will EA 93/591, Mont. Co. Register of Wills.

¹²Deed 5043/770, Mont. Co. Land Records.

¹³Joan Graham

Attachment Sheet

The Fletch Veitch Farmhouse is an architecturally rather plain rural vernacular dwelling. This house is somewhat interesting in that it is of log construction. However, changes such as the addition of a single story section across the facade and the application of asbestos shingles greatly detract from the houses original apperaence.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. M:23-52

- Mont. Co. Land Records
- Mont. Co. Register of Wills
- Mont. Co. Judgement Records
- conversation with Joan Graham, 10/6/82

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 24.8 acres

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing
C	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
E	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
G	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

B	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Zone	Easting	Northing
D	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
F	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
H	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Catherine Crawford

organization M.C. Hist. Preservation Commission date 10/82

street & number _____ telephone _____

city or town Rockville 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.

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return to: Maryland Historical Trust
Shaw House
21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 269-2438

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Fletcher Veitch House

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

5211 Brookeville Road

CITY, TOWN

Laytonsville

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Montgomery

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

PRESENT USE

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERICAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

James Graham III

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

5211 Brookeville Road

CITY, TOWN

Laytonsville

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Rockville

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR RECORDS

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77 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

- PREHISTORIC
- 1400-1499
- 1500-1599
- 1600-1699
- 1700-1799
- 1800-1899
- 1900-

- ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
- ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
- AGRICULTURE
- ARCHITECTURE
- ART
- COMMERCE
- COMMUNICATIONS

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

- COMMUNITY PLANNING
- CONSERVATION
- ECONOMICS
- EDUCATION
- ENGINEERING
- EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
- INDUSTRY
- INVENTION

- LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
- LAW
- LITERATURE
- MILITARY
- MUSIC
- PHILOSOPHY
- POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

- RELIGION
- SCIENCE
- SCULPTURE
- SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
- THEATER
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This was the home of Fletcher R. Veitch, as shown on the maps of 1865 & 1878. According to Boyds' HISTORY OF MONT. CO., he was a farmer. 19th Century court reports and road documents speak of the nearby intersection of Laytonsville Road (Rte. 108) and Brookeville Road (Mt. Zion) as "Veitch's Corner".

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

- 1) Maps of 1865 & 1878.

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

Michael F. Dwyer, Senior Park Historian

ORGANIZATION

M-NCPPC

DATE

Summer, 1975

STREET & NUMBER

8787 Georgia Ave.

TELEPHONE

589-1480

CITY OR TOWN

Silver Spring

STATE

Maryland

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle

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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

See correspondence dated April 8, 1987

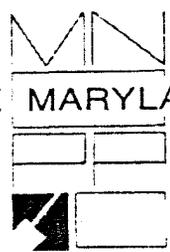
ACTION TAKEN

The following sites will be removed from the Locational Atlas.

- | | | |
|--------|--------|----------|
| 23/1 | 23/28 | 23/96 |
| 23/2 | 23/32 | 23/98 |
| 23/3 | 23/43 | |
| 23/4 | 23/44 | *23/98-3 |
| *23/5 | *23/50 | 23/99 |
| | 23/52 | 23/107-2 |
| 23/10 | | *23/110 |
| *23/14 | 23/55 | 23/113 |
| 23/16 | 23/56 | 23/114 |
| 23/20 | 23/59 | |
| 23/22 | 23/61 | |
| 23/25 | 23/74 | 23/116 |
| | 23/88 | 23/117 |

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THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION
8787 Georgia Avenue • Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3760



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MEMORANDUM

March 21, 1986 MAR 24 1986

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

TO: Richard Ferrara, Director
Department of Housing and Community Development
John L. Menke, Director
Department of Environmental Protection
✓ J. Rodney Little, Director
State Historic Preservation Office
Philip Cantelon, Chairperson
Historic Preservation Commission

FROM: Melissa C. Banach, Coordinator
Community Planning North *MCB*

SUBJECT: Preliminary Draft Amendment to the Master Plan for
Historic Preservation: Northern and Eastern
Montgomery County Resources

I am pleased to transmit to you this Preliminary Draft
Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation:
Northern and Eastern Montgomery County Resources.

This document contains the recommendations of the Montgomery
County Historic Preservation Commission on approximately 80
historic sites located in the Olney, Sandy Spring, Aspen Hill,
and Burtonsville areas of the County.

The Montgomery County Planning Board will hold a public
hearing on this Preliminary Draft Amendment on Monday, April 21,
1986, at 7:30 P.M., in the Auditorium of the Montgomery Regional
Office at 8787 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.

Should you have any questions concerning this specific
Preliminary Draft Amendment, please do not hesitate to contact
Marty Reinhart at 495-4565.

MCB:MR:dws
Attachment

PRELIMINARY DRAFT

AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED AND ADOPTED
MASTER PLAN FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION IN
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

NORTHERN AND EASTERN
MONTGOMERY COUNTY HISTORIC RESOURCES

Including sites located in the Olney, Sandy Spring,
Aspen Hill, Norbeck and Burtonsville Areas

March 1986

An amendment to the 1980 Olney Master Plan, 1980 Sandy Spring/
Ashton Special Study Plan, 1970 Aspen Hill Master Plan, and the
1981 Eastern Montgomery County Master Plan; being also an
amendment to the General Plan for the Physical Development of the
Maryland-Washington Regional District and to the Master Plan of
Highways within Montgomery County, Maryland.

THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

8787 Georgia Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3760

14741 Governor Oden Bowie Drive
Upper Marlboro, MD 20772-3090

APPENDIX A

SITES NOT RECOMMENDED FOR REGULATION UNDER THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION ORDINANCE CHAPTER 24A OF THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY CODE

The following sites have been reviewed by the Montgomery County Historic Preservation Commission and were found not to merit designation of the Master Plan for Historic Preservation. If not included in the Master Plan, these resources may be removed from the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Sites in Montgomery County. If removed from the Locational Atlas, the sites will no longer be governed by the Moratorium on Alteration and Demolition, Section 24A-10 of the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance. The sites will, however, remain on the Maryland Historical Trust's Inventory.

The following sites were found by the Preservation Commission to be too greatly altered from the period of their architectural or historical significance or not to meet Ordinance criteria for designation.

<u>Atlas #</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Location</u>
15/31	Tyson House (Mrs. W. Chandlee House)	18600 Brooke Rd., Ashton
13/32	Brinklow Store & Post Office	18930 New Hampshire Ave. Brinklow
15/40	Rawlings Mill House	1820 Tucker Lane, Ashton
15/44	Pat Cuff House	1515 Ednor Rd., Ednor
15/48	Chimney Ruins	Oak Hill Rd.-North of Rt. 198, Spencerville
15/51	Drayton	16000 Oak Hill Road, Silver Spring
15/57	Murphy Ford Log House	16500 Block of Batson Rd., Spencerville
15/70	Harriet Lea House	18900 New Hampshire Ave., Brinklow
23/1	Gaither/Gray House	24241 Hipsley Mill Rd., Gaithersburg
23/2	Leamon/Faucett House	24405 Hipsley Mill Road, Gaithersburg
23/3	Dennis Thomas House	24501 Hipsley Mill Road, Laytonsville

<u>Atlas #</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Location</u>
23/4	Griffith-Hawkins House (Windcrest Farm)	6630 Damascus Road, Laytonsville
23/10	William Belt House	23511 Howard Chapel Rd, Brookeville
23/16	Elisha Riggs House	5210 Damascus Road, Laytonsville
23/20	Ulysses Griffith House	6001 Griffith Road, Laytonsville
23/22	Crow's Content	6410 Sundown Road, Laytonsville
23/25	Walter Magruder House	6201 Olney-Laytonsville Road, Laytonsville
23/28	E.R. Griffith House	6121 Sundown Road, Laytonsville
23/32	Worthington Tenant House	4201 Sundown Road, Laytonsville
23/43	Frank Brown House	22015 Georgia Avenue, Brookeville
23/44	Bushrod Gartrell House	22000 Georgia Avenue, Brookeville
23/52	Fletcher Veitch Farmhouse	5211 Brookeville Road, Laytonsville
23/55	Spring Garden	4700 Brookeville Road, Brookeville
23/56	Melwood (Captain Strain House)	19715 Zion Rd., Olney
23/59	Locust Hill	4415 Brookeville Road, Brookeville
23/61	Locust Grove II	3415 Brookeville Road Brookeville
23/73	Gittings Ha Ha	21030 New Hampshire Ave., Brookeville
23/74	Log Tenant House	21020 New Hampshire Avenue, Brookeville
23/88	George Stabler Farmhouse	101 Haviland Mill Road, Brinklow