

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #74B-11 Building Date: early 19th c.

Building Name: Hopkins House

Location: 100 Queen Anne Bridge Road South, Mitchellville, Maryland

Private/Residence/Occupied/Deteriorated/Inaccessible

Description

The Hopkins house is a two-and-one-half-story frame gable-roofed house which faces roughly south. The main facade is four irregular bays wide. A one-story shed roofed porch across the south facade has been enclosed, and hides the main entrance from view. There is a large exterior brick chimney centered in the west gable end, flanked at loft level by two tiny four-pane windows. There is one small four-pane window at loft level in the east gable end. Other than these small windows, there are no openings in the two gable ends, although there was once a door in the east gable end which led into the wing; that door has been structurally closed. Windows on the south facade are 6/6 double hung sash. The house is presently covered with green asphalt shingle in deteriorating condition. The wooden cornices are boxed and plain, and the roof is of standing seam tin; the foundations are brick. Until approximately the 1940's, there was a smaller gable-roofed building attached on the east gable end, which served as tavern and store. Like the larger part of the building, it had a large exterior chimney.

Significance

The Hopkins House is the only early building surviving in the historic town of Queen Anne. Established by the Act of 1706, Queen Anne was one of the important ports of Prince George's County; it is now only a small complex of twentieth century dwellings at the end of a country road. In the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, much of the land around Queen Anne belonged to the Wootton family, but before 1850, a 10-1/2 acre lot on the east side of the road from Mitchellville had been carved out of the Woottons' property at the western edge of the town. On this 10-1/2 acre property was a tanning works, a warehouse and a store. The store consisted of a two-part building, the subject building having been constructed early in the nineteenth century; it was attached to a smaller and older section which is reported to have been one of the early Queen Anne taverns and was demolished circa 1940. The store was owned by John P. Hopkins who was both postmaster and constable for Queen Anne town. In 1890 Hopkins deeded the subject building to his daughter who in 1913 sold it to James Tilghman, a black farmer who had farmed for many years in the Queen Anne area. The house is still the residence of his descendants. Only the larger part of the building stands today, a prominent landmark along the road to Queen Anne, and a reminder of that once important Patuxent River port town.

Acreage: 10.5 acres

Magi No.

DOE ___yes ___no

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Hopkins House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 100 Queen Anne Bridge Road South ___ not for publication

city, town Mitchellville Queen Anne
___ vicinity of congressional district 5

state Md. county Prince George's County

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	___ agriculture	___ museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
___ site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	___ entertainment	___ religious
___ object	___ in process	___ yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	___ military	___ other:

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

name Estate of James Tilghman

street & number 100 Queen Anne Bridge Road South telephone no.:

city, town Mitchellville state and zip code MD 20716

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber #87

street & number Main Street folio 360

city, town Upper Marlboro state Md.

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Prince George's County Inventory of Historic Sites

date 1974 ___ federal ___ state county ___ local

depository for survey records History Division, MNCPPC

city, town Riverdale state Md.

7. Description

Condition	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" 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 of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

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

The Hopkins house stands at the corner of the old Marlboro-Queen Anne Road where it turns to approach the bridge over the Patuxent River. It is a two-and-one-half-story frame gable-roofed house which faces roughly south. The main south facade is four irregular bays wide. A one-story shed roofed porch across the south facade has been enclosed, and hides the main entrance from view. There is a large exterior brick chimney centered in the west gable end, flanked at loft level by two tiny four-pane windows. There is one small four-pane window at loft level in the east gable end. Other than these small windows, there are no openings in the two gable ends, although there was a door in the east gable end which led into the wing (cf. infra); that door has been structurally closed. Windows on the south facade are 6/6 double hung sash. The house is presently covered with green asphalt shingle in deteriorating condition. The wooden cornices are boxed, plain, and not returned at gable ends. The roof is of standing seam tin; the foundations are brick, and enclose a basement which in recent years has been floored with concrete.

Until approximately the 1940's, there was a smaller (probably one-and-one-half-story) gable-roofed building attached on the east gable end, which served as tavern and store. Like the larger part of the building, it had a large exterior chimney. As yet, no photographs of this part of the building have been discovered.

8. Significance

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		local <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> history

Specific dates early 19th c **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 Hopkins House is the only early building surviving in the historic town of Queen Anne. Formerly one of the important ports of Prince George's County, Queen Anne is now only a small complex of twentieth century dwellings at the end of a country road. Siltation and changes in the water line have hidden all traces of the warehouses which once lined the river banks. Even the bridge which once carried traffic across the Patuxent River into Anne Arundel County is now closed, and what remains of it serves only as a standing place for local and itinerant fishermen.

Queen Anne was established by the Act of 1706 at Anderson's landing on a large tract known as Essington.¹ Ferry service was established with Anne Arundel County in 1726 and a bridge was constructed in 1755. Already by that time (1747) Queen Anne had been designated one of the tobacco inspection stations for Prince George's County.² For the rest of the eighteenth century, Queen Anne was a busy commercial center, with tobacco warehouses and inns; it was an important crossing on the main road between Annapolis and Upper Marlboro, and George Washington records several visits and taking of meals there in the course of his travels.³

In the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, much of the land around Queen Anne belonged to the Wootton family, but before 1850, a 10-1/2 acre lot on the east side of the road from Mitchellville had been carved out of the Woottons' property at the western edge of the town.⁴ On this 10-1/2 acre property was a tanning works, a warehouse and a store. The store consisted of a two-part building, the larger part (being the subject building) probably constructed early in the nineteenth century, attached to a smaller and older section which is reported to have been one of the early Queen Anne taverns (this smaller section was demolished circa 1940). The store was operated in the pre-Civil War period by James Davis,⁵ but owned by John P. Hopkins who later made the building his home. Hopkins was both postmaster and constable for Queen Anne town.⁶

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In 1890 Hopkins deeded to his daughter Mary Ann Duckett the subject building and 10-1/2 acres; in 1913 she sold it to James Tilghman, a black farmer who had farmed for many years in the Queen Anne area. The house is still the residence of his descendants. Only the larger part of the building stands today, in seriously deteriorating condition. It is a prominent landmark along the road which once led to Queen Anne, and a reminder of that once important Patuxent River port town.

Notes

- 1 Archives of Maryland XXVI, 636.
- 2 Hienton, L.J. Prince George's Heritage, pp. 133-35.
- 3 Diary of George Washington, 1774, 1791.
- 4 Chancery papers #8078, (1850) Md. Hall of Records, Prince George's Equity #952 (1874).
- 5 Martenet map of Prince George's County, 1861; Prince George's County Tax Assessments.
- 6 Planters' Advocate, 19 Sept. 1860, 2 January 1861.

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM

for the

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME

COMMON:

AND/OR HISTORIC: John P. Hopkins House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Queen Anne Bridge Road South

CITY OR TOWN: Bowie

STATE: Maryland COUNTY: Prince George's

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____
ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC (Yes/No) <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: James Tilghman

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Prince George's County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Upper Marlboro STATE: Maryland

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: None

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE:

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

7. DESCRIPTION	
CONDITION	(Check One)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Uncited
	(Check One)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site
DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE	
<p>The house is a two-story, frame building with a five bay, main (west) facade. The second and third bays from the south are doorways; the north door having a transom light. On the north end is a large external chimney with a large, free-standing stack. The windows are 6/6 double hung sash with narrow moulded surrounds. The cornice is boxed with a bed moulding.</p> <p>The house now has a shed-roofed porch across the facade and is covered with asbestos siding.</p>	

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Political	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)
<input type="checkbox"/> Historic	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry	<input type="checkbox"/> Science	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> Invention	<input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Art	<input type="checkbox"/> Literature	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Communications	<input type="checkbox"/> Music		_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation			_____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

SEE INST INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Christopher Owens, Park Historian

ORGANIZATION: M-NCPPC DATE: 30 Oct. 74

STREET AND NUMBER:
8787 Georgia Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Silver Spring STATE: Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:
 National State Local

Signature _____

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

Chain of Title

Hopkins House
P.G. #74B-11

#87:360
22 March 1913
Deed

Mary A. Duckett and Stephen W., her husband, to James H. Tilghman; (a) a tract of 9 acres in village of Queen Anne, adjoins on N and E land formerly belonging to Alexander B. Randall and now to Charles Blanford; on S, lands of Addison Hardesty now owned by George King and Rosa Brady; on west by public road from Queen Anne to Mitchellville; same land conveyed to Mary Duckett by John P. Hopkins; (b) 1-1/2 acre lot.

JWB #14:143
13 Feb. 1890
Deed

John P. Hopkins et ux Mary, to Mary A. Duckett; two lots: (a) lot now occupied by John P. Hopkins, 9 acres in Queen Anne, bounded on two sides by A. Randall's land, on S by A. Hardesty's land, on W by road; (b) 1-1/2 acre lot.

2.08A
P.22
JOHN W.
TURNER
34/75B
2.25 A
P.23

6861 LOT
P.93

P.24

DANIEL GUNNER
1A P.25

0.50A P.49 P.48
P.50 P.60

1.50A
P.6 P.79

4.00A
P.36

107094

MARY N.
LAGANA
3360/505
4.00A
P.27

CHARLES E.
JOHNSON
1812/473
3.70 A
P.43

1.00A
P.61

P.91

1.85A
P.90

1.22 A
P.37

ST OF MD.
5441/534
10.30A
P.87

2.22
P.100

DICKER-
SON

DEPT. OF NATURAL
RESOURCES
5425/340
62.28 A.
P.82

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JAMES H. TILGHMAN
87/360
10.50A
P.44

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383/644
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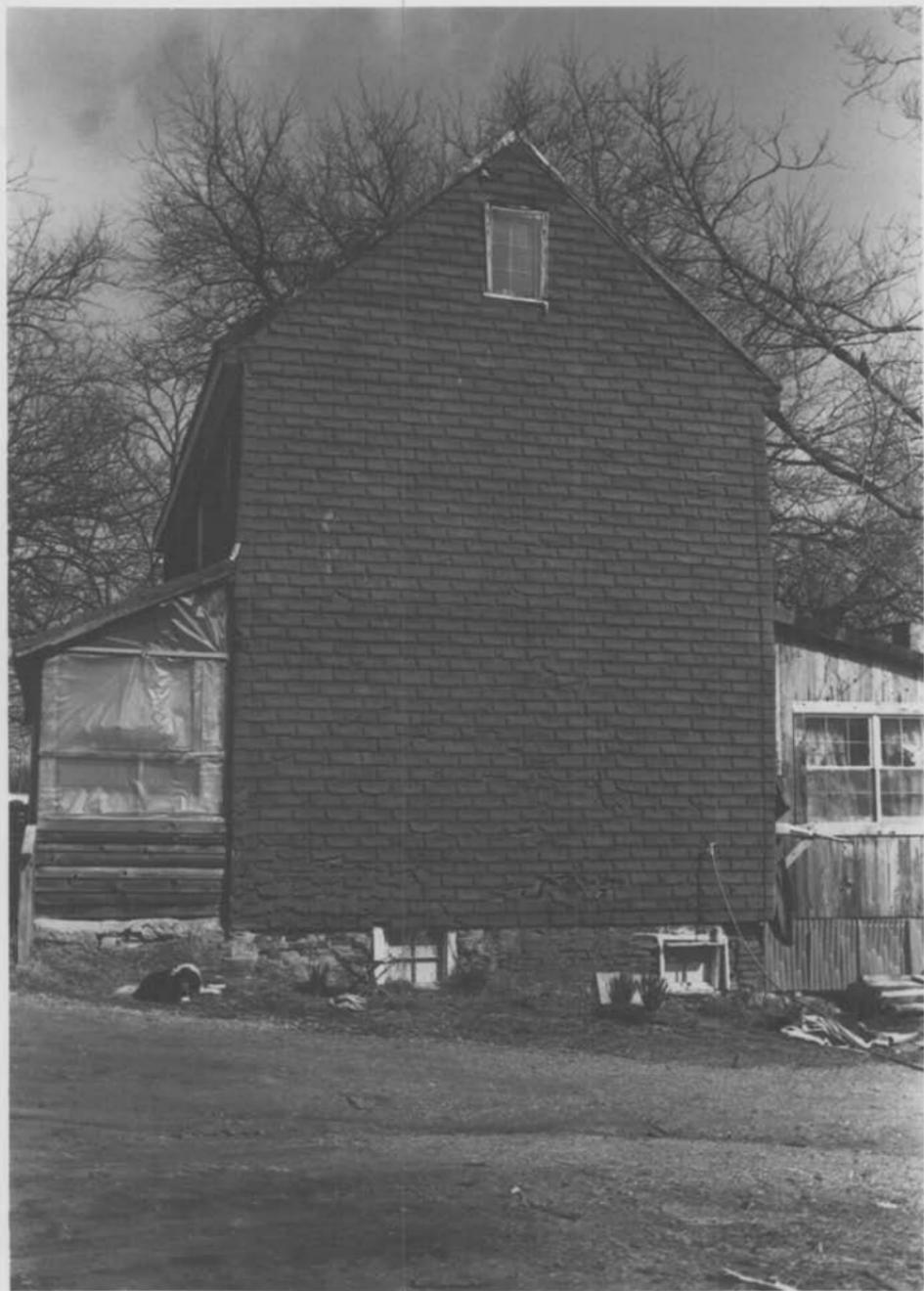
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Hopkins House
Prince George's County, MD.
Susan G. Pearl
April 1985
South elevation
Neg: Md. His. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



P.G. #74B-11

Hopkins House
Prince George's County, MD.
Susan G. Pearl
April 1985
West elevation
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



P.G. #74B-11

Hopkins House

Prince George's County, MD.

Susan G. Pearl

April 1985

East elevation

Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD.



NAME HOPKINS HOUSE

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LOCATION QUEEN ANNE BRIDGE Rd. QUEEN ANNE, P.G.Co., Md.

FACADE SW

PHOTO TAKEN 10/3/74 M DWYER