

S-58
Hall House
Upper Fairmount
Private

c. 1825-1850

The Hall House, located at the west end of Upper Fairmount, is one of the earliest houses to survive in the village. Notable architectural features include a side hall/parlor plan, well executed second quarter on the 19th-century woodwork and an exposed brick fire wall on the west gable end. During the third quarter of the 19th century the house was extended with a two-story, two-bay addition trimmed with bracketed eaves. A small family burial plot is also on the property.

It is not known exactly when this house was built, but the land was known as part of "End of Strife" and described in Lazarus Maddox's will of 1841 (JP 5/117). He left to his two daughters, Sarah Hall and Kitty Ballard, all his other lands except his home farm. Sarah and her husband, Tubman L. Hall, sold the tract to Francis A. Hall in 1853 (LW 2/119). Francis A. Hall and his wife, Mary, along with three children are listed in the Somerset County 1850 atlas. Francis, described as a carpenter, is more ^{than} likely the person responsible for the east gable end addition.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Hall House

2. Location

street & number North side of MD 361 (Fairmount Rumbley Rd) not for publicationcity, town Upper Fairmount vicinity of congressional district First

state county

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

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

name

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio

city, town Princess Anne state Maryland 21853

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Maryland Historical Sites Survey

date 1967 federal state county local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Annapolis state Maryland 21401

7. Description

Survey No. S-58

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input 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 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 Hall House is a c. 1825-1850 two-story three-bay frame house which stands on the north side of Maryland 361 within the village of Upper Fairmount, Maryland. The side hall/parlor frame house faces south with the roof axis running east/west.

A minimal brick foundation supports the asbestos-sheathed frame house, while a medium sloped roof is covered with asphalt shingles.

The south facade of the main house is three bays across with the front door in the right bay. Two 6/6 sash windows fill the adjacent bays and three 6/6 sash windows pierce the second floor. A boxed cornice stretches across at the base of the roof and is detailed with a simple bed and crown molding. A c. 1860-1880 two-story two-bay addition extends eastward from the main block and is trimmed with a modillioned cornice. Six over six sash occupy the two first and two second floor openings. A shed roof porch with turned posts stretches across the two portions of the house.

The west end of the house has two 6/6 sash on each floor and two four-pane attic windows. A brick chimney with exposed firewall on the first floor protrudes through the gable end. The firewall is laid in three-course common bond.

A two-story two-bay frame service wind extends to the rear and has an interior end brick stove stack.

The interior of this house was not seen.

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		

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Hall House, c. 1825-1850, is one of the earliest houses to survive in Upper Fairmount. Notable features include a side hall/parlor plan, and exposed fire wall on the west gable end. During the third quarter of the 19th century the house was extended with a two-bay addition trimmed with bracketed eaves. A small family burial plot is also on the property.

History and Support

In Lararus Maddox's will of 1841 (JP 5/117) he left to his two daughters, Sarah Hall and Kitty Ballard, all his other lands except for his home farm,..." Sarah and her husband, Tubman L. Hall, sold the small part of "End of Strife" to Francis A. Hall in 1853. (L W 2/119) The property remained under Francis Hall's ownership until January of 1884 when it was sold out of the Hall family.

CHAIN OF TITLE

Hall House S-58

296/181
9/21/1976

Irene Muir Holland

to

Ruth and Paul Stevens
3/26 A
Lot No. 3 on plat prepared by
Earl B. Polk surveyor 2/20/1919
Being No. 3294 in Chancery Court

WJ.S. 64/130

Charles A. Lankford
Nannie May Lankford

to

Irene Muir Holland -
\$1350.00

WJS 78/276

5/27/1919

L. Creston Beauchamp, Assignee

to

Nannie May Lankford
3.26 a. estate of George A. and Susie E. Cox

O.T.B. 31/296

7/23/1901

George A. Cox, Trustee

to

Susie E. Cox
\$1,100

O.T.B. 24/259

10/1/1898

Z. Taylor Chelton

to

George A. Cox
4 acres

H. F. L. 1/82

1/26/1884

Francis A. Hall

to

Z. Taylor Chelton
\$2,250.50 "End of Strife" adjoining lands
of Dr. J. Emory Tull's heirs -
"excepting that part already conveyed and
the graveyard inclosed measuring fifty-five
by twenty-three feet near the west end of
the dwelling." \$400.00 "End of Strife" it
being part of land devised to said Sarah H.
Hall by her father Lazarus Maddox 10 acres

LW 2/119

1/15/1853

Tubman L. Hall
Sarah Hall

to

Francis A. Hall

JP/5/117

1841

Will of Lazarus Maddox
I give and bequeath all my other lands except
the home farm to my two daughters Kitty Ballard
and Sarah Hall -

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY
INVENTORY S - 58

Form 10-445
(5/62)

STATE **Maryland**
COUNTY **Somerset**
TOWN **Upper Fairmount** VICINITY
STREET NO.

ORIGINAL OWNER
ORIGINAL USE **dwelling**
PRESENT OWNER
PRESENT USE **dwelling**
WALL CONSTRUCTION **frame**
NO. OF STORIES **two**

2. NAME **Hall House**
DATE OR PERIOD **c. 1800**
STYLE **Federal**
ARCHITECT
BUILDER

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC **no**

The Hall house is a small simple frame Federal dwelling built in two parts. The earliest part is three bays long and two bays deep. The addition is two bays long. There are chimneys in the East and west gables, i.e. one in each section. The walls are covered with asbestos siding and the 'A' roof with green composition shingles. All of the windows have 6/6 sash. A leanto porch is built over three of the five bays, covering parts of both sections. It appears to be the earliest structure in the village and is set back from the road in a neat un-fenced yard.

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered **no** Interior Exterior **good**



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)
INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER
Michael Bourne
DATE OF RECORD **6/30/72**

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE

1. STATE COUNTY Somerset TOWN Upper Fairmount VINCENNY STREET NO.		HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY INVENTORY	
ORIGINAL OWNER Mr. Hall ORIGINAL USE Dwelling PRESENT OWNER Mrs. Irene Holland PRESENT USE Dwelling WALL CONSTRUCTION Clapboard w/shingles NO. OF STORIES 2½		2. NAME Hall House S-58 DATE OR PERIOD c. 1780 - 1800 STYLE Colonial ARCHITECT BUILDER	
4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION		3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE	
This is a simple frame house of the late colonial period. It is 3 bays wide and 2 deep. The door is on the right side of the front and all the windows are 6/6. There is an enclosed chimney on the left end of the house with the brickwork exposed at the first storey level by the omission of the clapboards. A 2 bay 1½ storey Victorian addition has been added to the right end of the house. The original owner of this house was an undertaker and his shop once stood next to the house.		OPEN TO PUBLIC	
5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE		Endangered Interior Exterior	
Fair - In need of many repairs			
6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)		7. PHOTOGRAPH	
8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.		9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER Paul A. Brinkman DATE OF RECORD 4/8/67	

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50'

428

5860 III NE
(MONIE)

429

430

47'30"

431

11500

St Pierre Marsh

Fishing Island

S-58
Hall House
Marion Quadrangle, 1972

Upper Hill

St Andrews Ch

Upper
Fairmount
S-164

Christ Ch

St Stephens
Cem.

Fairmount
Cem.

Landonville

RUMBLEY

FAIRMOUNT ROAD

Fairmount

Hall

Noble's Creek

Myrtle Point

FAIRMOUNT NECK

STATE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

Persimmon
Pt

Charles Pt

Horsehead Pt

