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- 12. A. Property Name N-5045 Vernacular Frame Structure
 - B. Location and Verbal Boundary Description Located on Delaware Street just outside the city limits of St. Georges, the nominated property is a square parcel measuring 150 feet by 150 feet.
 - C. <u>Owner</u> Ethel S. Roy c/o J. Boyer St. Georges, Delaware 19708 19733

D. Property Description

This is a two-story, two-bay frame structure with gabled roof and an enclosed one-bay front porch. The main entrance is placed off-center on the northern side of the facade, and is flanked on the south by one six-over-six window. On the second floor the two windows are directly above the entrance and first floor window. These windows have a plain lintel with louvered shutters. The attic window on the north end of the house is six-over six, surmounted by a pointed arch. The gabled roof has an interior end chimney on the south side.

Inventory of Outbuildings

N5045 a. Intrusion; modern gable roof shed with attached greenhouse.

N5045 b. Intrusion; modern wooden privy.

N5045 c. Intrusion; modern wooden shed.

Historical Background

This small frame structure, located on land originally belonging to the Sutton family of St. Georges, was built shortly after the Civil War by the grandfather of the present owner.

E. Significance

The extant architectural resources of Red Lion Hundred to a large extent document the entrepreneurial and agronomical skill of its more affluent residents. It is far more difficult to record the existence of the tenant farmer, the field hand or the slave. This frame structure is significant in that it represents a working man's dwelling which has FHR-8-300A (11/78) UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR HERITAGE CONSERVATION AND RECREATION SERVICE

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survived with only minor alteration. As such, it furnishes documentary evidence of and a link to the many similar or related structures erected in response to the demands of this labor intensive agricultural society. That this frame structure was built by a black worker immediately following the Civil War and is still lived in by his descendants is further evidence of its importance to our understanding of life in Red Lion Hundred in the nineteenth century.

