

Hughlett House  
Lancaster  
Lancaster County  
Virginia

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HUGHLETT HOUSE  
Lancaster, Lancaster Co., Va.

Date: 18th Century

Condition: Destroyed

Description: The house was frame, one story high below a modified gambrel roof which had the rear elope in the form of a lean-to. It had two external chimneys at each end, some with offsets built with brick "tumbling", i.e., the bricks are set in at right angles to the slope of the weathering to form the wash itself. It is normally a Dutch or Flemish characteristic, though it is sometimes seen in England and the English Colonies. In Virginia it is seldom seen, the examples being widely separated, as at Walee, Dinwiddie County, and at Port Royal, Caroline County. Cases of tumbling where the bricks are set erect in the weathering are at the Wallop house in Accomac, Virginia, and at the Grice house near Camden, North Carolina. A form of tumbling where the angle bricks mesh and form a herringbone pattern is frequently found in north-central North Carolina and perhaps in the adjacent Virginia area.

The front of the Hughlett house was of five bays with a central door. The plan consisted of a central hall with two rooms on either side. The west room had distinguished trim, perhaps dating from about the Revolutionary period, and apparently later than the house itself.

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