

Westwood

South Coatesville

Goosetown

HILLS

BRANCH

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BRANDYWINE  
READING

VALLEY

Towerville

Dennis

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Hephzibah

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PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM  
 OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION Box 1026  
 PA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17120

7. Local survey organization  
 East Fallowfield Township

8. property owners name and address  
 Buck and Doe Run Malley Farms  
 R. D. #8  
 Coatesville, PA 19320

9. tax parcel number / other number  
 47-8-15

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11. status (other surveys, lists etc.)  
 Chester County Historic Site Survey

usgs sheet: Coatesville

12. classification  
 site ( ) structure ( ) object ( )  
 building (x)  
 in N.R. district yes ( ) no ( )

13. date(s) (how determined)  
 1794, datestone

14. period 1780 - 1820

15. style, design or folk type  
 Federal

19. original use farm

20. present use farm

16. architect or engineer

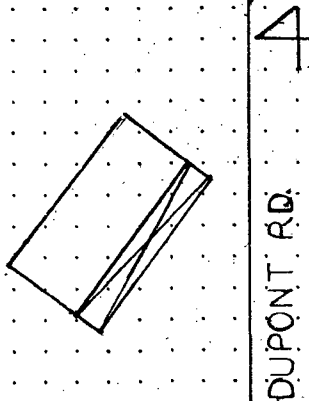
17. contractor or builder

18. primary building mat./construction  
 fieldstone

21. condition excellent

22. integrity excellent

23. site plan with north arrow



24. photo notation

PC: M. S. Young  
 PD: 1980  
 PV: Southeast Elevation

25. file/location

Historic Research Assoc.

26. brief description (note unusual features, integrity, environment, threats and associated buildings)

Five bay wide, two story fieldstone farmhouse with an asphalt shingled gable roof. Other features of the structure include quoins, stone lipped chimneys at the gable ends, well ordered box cornice, six over six and six over nine lights, double unbalanced entrances on the front facade and transom lights above both doors. The full width porch is ground level at one end and becomes considerably elevated at the other end of the house.

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27. history, significance and/or background ARCHITECTURE AND AGRICULTURE

The farm stayed in the Powell family for over 100 years and by the time it was sold in 1903 by order of the Orphans Court of Chester County to settle an estate it was known as the John G. Powell Farms. The advertisement expounded on the numerous improvements. The Powell family expanded the dairy herd from five cows in 1860 to twenty-two head in 1880 which gave it the honors of being the largest dairy farm

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28. sources of information

- West Chester. Chester County Courthouse. Recorder of Deeds.
- West Chester. Chester County Historical  
(continue on back if necessary)

29. prepared by:

Historic Research Associates

30. date  
 1981

revision(s)

1. County  
 CHESTER

2. municipality  
 EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP  
 6. other name (historic name if any)  
 THE I. POWELL FARM

3. street address or specific location  
 DUPONT ROAD

4. survey code

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27. Significance continued:

in East Fallowfield Township during the post Civil War period. In addition, in 1879, the 4,536 pounds of butter produced by Powell designated it as the second highest producer in the township. While it is significant in agriculture, the building is an interpretation of conservative Federal architecture for a Pennsylvania farmhouse. The ratio between the well pointed fieldstone facades, the roofline, chimneys, size of apertures and the box cornice with small returns give a pleasing appearance to the Federal design in rural Chester County.

28. Sources of information continued:

Society. Clipping File.

3. Washington, D. C. National Archives. Microcopy Collection, T1138. "Agricultural Schedules, Pennsylvania, Federal Decennial Censuses, 1850-1880."

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

STARTING at a point eight hundred seventy-five (875) feet southwest of where T384 intersects with T375, then west for three hundred (300) feet, then south for one hundred (100) feet, then east for three hundred twenty-five (325) feet, then north along the west side of T384 for one hundred (100) feet to the place of beginning.  
CONTAINING .7 acres.

Chester County Historic Site Survey Code Number: 029-07-47-45

Miscellaneous Information:

1. Plotted on the following maps:
  - a. 1860 - J. Powell
  - b. 1873 - John Powell Jr.
  - c. 1883 - Jordan Powell

27. Significance continued:

It is historically significant in local architecture because it embodies a few components from the earlier Georgian period: chimney style, large windows and small windows in the gables. In addition it is quite a large farmhouse to have been constructed during a period in which the country and the local area were in the midst of stabilization for an economy under the auspices of a young government.

EVALUATION

EVALUATOR(S)

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EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP MRA, CHESTER COUNTY  
THE I. POWELL FARM (I-17)  
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In the evolution of agriculture in East Fallowfield there are two distinct growth periods; one beginning in 1770 and ending about 1820 and the other flourishing in the post Civil War period. The first period emphasized the construction of utilitarian buildings, while the post Civil War expansion concentrated on land use changes.

In the first agricultural phase the success of the agrarian economy resulted in the erection of more substantial farmsteads. At no other time in East Fallowfield's history is there evidence of such a prolific construction period in agrarian buildings.

Despite the growth of the agricultural economy and the increase in construction, the interpretation of both the Georgian and Federal styles continued to be vernacular.

The significance of this property is its association with a local collection of farmsteads that have in common a vernacular form of architecture and a relationship to a specific agricultural era, 1770-1820.