

**CAPSULE SUMMARY**

**PG: 87B-036-17**

**James A. Cochrane Store**

**22609 Aquasco Road**

**Aquasco, Prince George's County, Maryland**

**c. 1850**

**Private**

The James A. Cochrane Store, located at 22609 Aquasco Road in Aquasco, Maryland, is a rare example of a mid-nineteenth-century rural front-gable commercial building in Prince George's County. The large, one-and-one-half-story, three-bay building was constructed c. 1850. The building is notable for its front-gable construction and signage. Although the James A. Cochrane Store is a rare example of front-gable construction in southern Prince George's County; however, due to its deteriorated state and vacancy, it fails to retain sufficient integrity to convey its significance as a mid-nineteenth-century commercial building integral to the development of Aquasco. However, it is located on the same parcel as the Grimes House (PG: 87B-036-16), a designated site, and can be considered a contributing resource.

The James A. Cochrane Store was constructed in c.1850. The one-and-one-half-story, three-bay vernacular building has a rectangular form. Set on a solid concrete-block foundation, this wood-frame building is covered in horizontal sheets of metal with a pattern suggesting American-bond brickwork. The front-gable roof is covered with metal sheets has overhanging eaves. The store features an interior brick chimney with corbeled cap. Shed-roof wall dormers are located on the south and north (side) elevations. Fenestration consists of 6/6 windows with square-edged wood surrounds, covered with metal bars. Many of the windows have missing or broken lights. The wood surrounds are also deteriorated. A porch is located on the façade (west elevation).