A limestone double flue central chimney (See Figure #3), DHR 21-550-18, the remains of a *domestic (house like)* structure located within the southeast corner of the 420-acre Joseph Tuley tract, has been dated from between the late eighteenth to the early nineteenth century. The site and former dwelling may possibly be the residence of an overseer, farm manager, or perhaps a temporary pre-Tuleyries dwelling for Joseph Tuley. Its location on a *limestone outcropping (rocky area) on non-arable (not farmable) land* just north of and *adjacent (close) to* Rattlesnake Spring make it a likely area for settlement in the first decade of the nineteenth century.¹⁷

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*Archaeological Survey Figure #3: Limestone double flue chimney, DHR 21-550-18 looking east.*
Document 3 - Excerpt from the Tuley Will

An appraisal of Tuley’s will in late 1825 documents that he died a man of considerable property. In addition to numerous farming utensils and equipment he owned 55 slaves, 4 teams of oxen, 24 cattle, a cow and calves, 72 sheep, 123 young hogs, 1 sow with 42 pigs, numerous horses, and a significant amount of agricultural equipment and tools. In addition, his residential furnishings document queensware (Wedgwood embossed creamware) ceramics, various glassware, a decanter, pitchers, a case of bottles, a mahogany table, a walnut side board, a bureau, tables, a cherry chest, chairs, a walnut chair, a carpet, 6 maps and a ‘prodigal son,’ six bedsteds and bedding, and a library containing “a number of volumes.”

Frederick County Land and Property Tax Record Book, 1801 – 1811, Frederick Winchester Judicial Center, Winchester, Virginia; Frederick County Will Book (FCWB)

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Document 4 - What is slate?

Slate is a metamorphic rock that breaks along flat cleavage planes formed by layered mica minerals. Slate has been mined in Buckingham County of central Virginia for hundreds of years.

What might slate suggest?

Additional information about slate if needed!

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