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Standish House  
Frostburg

c. 1865

The Standish House was built between 1850 and 1860 for John Standish, a civil engineer and a prominent citizen of Frostburg. The structure consists of a two story rectangular block five bays wide. The house is a frame structure originally covered with weatherboard. The roof of the principal facade is hipped with a soffit and frieze cornice and is covered by replaced asphalt shingles.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Standish House

AND/OR COMMON

Standish House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

6 Standish Street

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Ludwig Neilson

Telephone #: 689-8887

STREET & NUMBER

151 South Water Street

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21532

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 272

Folio #: 370

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL     STATE     COUNTY     LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The Standish House is located at 6 Standish Street in Frostburg, Allegany County on the Southwest side of the street near the intersection of Beall's Lane.

The structure consists of a two story, five bays wide rectangular block. Two connected rear wings, one two stories and another one story high, abut the main block on the Southwest side. The one story wing features a shed roof, while the two story wing has a gable roof. The house is a frame structure that was originally covered with weatherboard, but has since been covered with asbestos shingles, and is supported by a high stone foundation. The roof of the principal facade is hipped with soffit and frieze cornice and is covered by replaced asphalt shingles. Windows in the structure feature double hung wooden sash frames with architrave trim and six-over-six lights. Windows on the front Northeast face exhibit new shutters as an additional decorative feature. The main entrance is located on the front, Northeast side of the structure and includes a transom, transom lights and side lights around the verticle panelled doors. Three corbeled brick chimneys, that appear to be original, are located on the interior of the structure.

The house is structurally sound and is in near original appearance except for the covering, but the exterior is in need of repair.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**PERIOD**

**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW**

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|---|--|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC          | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC  | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING     | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499            | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC     | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION           | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW                    | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599            | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE             | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS              | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE             | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION              | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY               | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799            | <input type="checkbox"/> ART                     | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING            | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC                  | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE                | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY             | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900-                | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS          | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY               | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT    | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)     |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION              |   |  |

SPECIFIC DATES 1850-1860

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

The Standish House was built between 1850 and 1860 for the original owner John E. Standish, who was a descendant of Captain Miles Standish the Puritan. John Standish himself was a prominent citizen of the town of Frostburg. As a member of the Board of School Commissioners from 1867 to 1871, Standish was largely responsible for the initiative and construction of a new school, Old Beall School (Now Demolished), in the town of Frostburg. Standish who was a civil engineer, resided with his wife in the large house which is still very near to the original appearance. The house has been converted to a double apartment house but the opportunity for restoration is excellent. Restoration of the old house would certainly enhance the cultural and architectural heritage of Frostburg.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

Frostburg Sesquicentennial Book; "John E. Standish",  
Frostburg Sesquicentennial Committee. June 1962

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one acre

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

6 Standish Street

Lines Northeast & Southwest 130' & 150' Lines Northwest &  
Southeast 108' & 103'

**LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES**

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

John E. Nelson, Program Coordinator of All. Co. Historic Sites

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

5/21/76

STREET &amp; NUMBER

10 Park Lane

TELEPHONE

689-8486

CITY OR TOWN

Frost burg

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

Standish House  
6 Standish Street

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HISTORICAL CHAIN OF TITLE

Allegany County - Deed - Liber 272, Folio 370  
grantee: Ludwig Neilson  
grantor: J. Glenn Beall and Owen Hitchins and Susan E. Beall  
October 27, 1955  
Acreage: less than one acre

Liber 153, Folio 610  
grantee: Susan E. Beall  
grantor: Horace Beall and Clin Beall  
August 25, 1926

Allegany County - Will - Liber J, Folio 486  
grantee: Horace Beall and Clin Beall  
grantor: Susan Beall - Mother of grantees  
July, 1913

Allegany County - Deed - Liber 32, Folio 313 - Only part of present property lot.  
grantee: Susan Beall  
grantor: John Neff and Harriet Neff  
September 3, 1869

Allegany County - Deed - Liber 20, Folio 371  
grantee: John Neff  
grantor: Mary E. Standish  
November 3, 1862

Standish was original owner

INVENTORY NO. A1-U11-A-034

Liber 272

DATE: 5/17/76

Folio 370

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: Standish House

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: 6 Standish Street

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: Northeast

NAME OF OWNER: Ludwig Neilson

ADDRESS: 151 South Water St.

Frostburg, Maryland 21532

STORIES: 1( ) 2() 3( ) 4( ) 5( ) 6( ) BAYS: 1( ) 2( ) 3( ) 4( ) 5() 6( ) 7( ) ( )

WINGS, ADDITIONS: Rear Wing - 2 Story Sq. - Rear NW Side 1 Story Sq. - Shed Roof

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- LOG
- Other: Coverings Asbestos Shingles

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS Plain

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, Moulded BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1( ) 2/2( ) 6/6() 9/6( ) 9/9( ) other( ) Front Shutters  
Architrave Trim pegged ( ) nailed ( ) wide ( ) narrow ( ) mitred ( ) pediment ( )

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: Northeast + Southwest

HARDWARE: original ( ) replaced ()  
PAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN Transom lights  
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)  
original () replaced ( ) Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, Plain  
Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, LANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, DORMERS #  
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original ( ) replaced ()

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed ( ) hip () gable ( )

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 3 BRICK () STONE ( ) CORBELLED () original () replaced ( )  
LOCATION: Flush end ( ) Inside end ( ) Outside end ( ) Central ( ) Interior ()

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:  
Use - Residence - Apartments  
Significance - Arch.  
Date Constructed - Mid 19th Century 1850-1865  
Condition - Fair

Key points regarding interior architecture.

1. Floor plan

No through hall--How many rooms long and deep?  
Where is stairway? Straight or winding?

With through hall--Rooms on both sides? How many?  
Rooms on one side only? How many?

Is stair in through hall?

Open or enclosed? Straight--one run. Straight--landing  
How many? Curved.

If not in hall, where is stair?

2. Wall finish: plaster, paneled, board partition  
Note presence of chair rail, cornice, etc.

3. Fireplaces: How many? Parallel to walls or diagonal in  
corner?

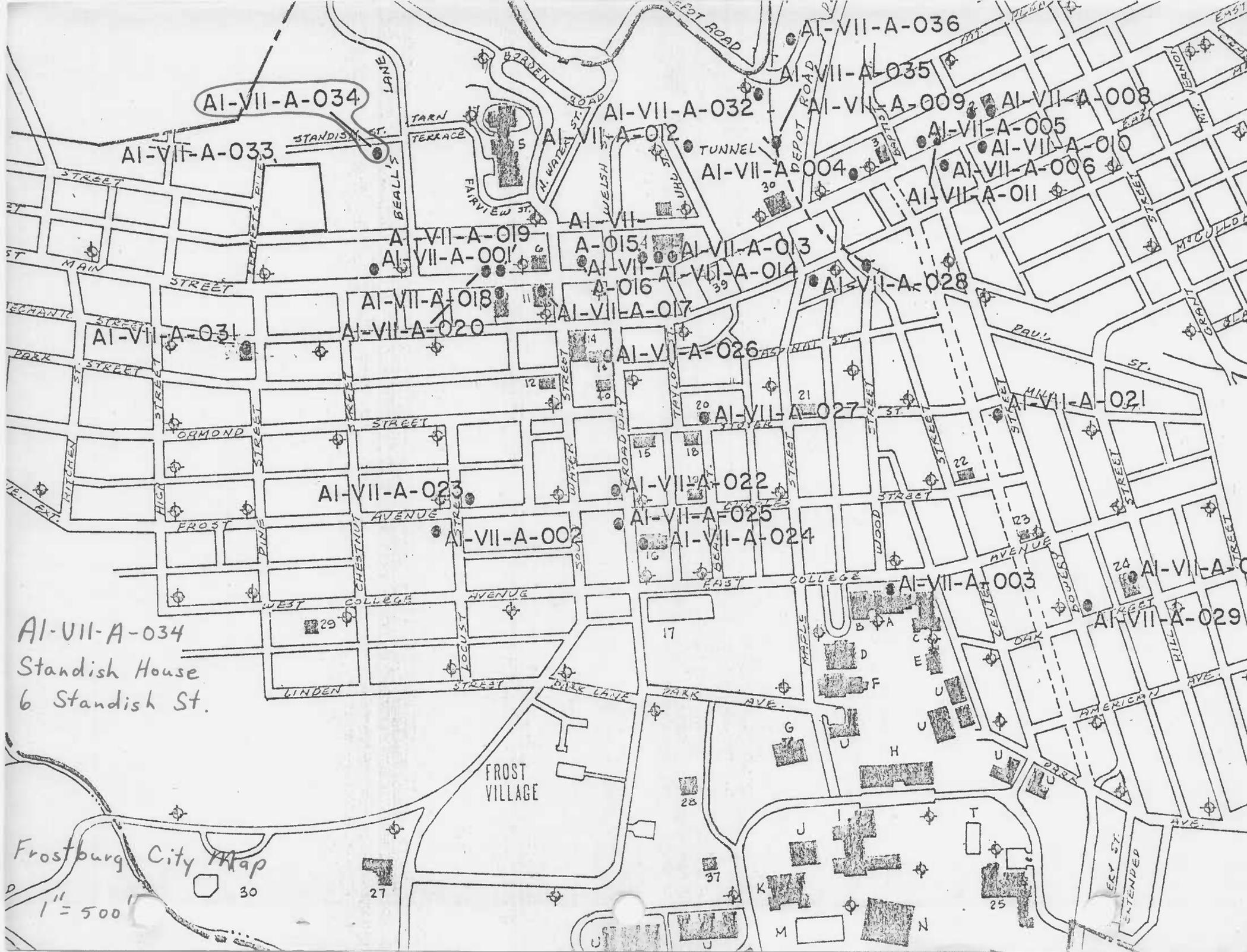
Mantels: wood--mouldings, pilasters, columns  
masonry--marble(what color? ), brick

3. Doors: on the inside of exterior doors, note the presence of  
applied flush boards and their direction (diagonal, vertical,  
horizontal). In general are doors paneled or ledge or other?

4. Door and window trim: plain, architrave; fluted, reeded;  
pilasters

5. Kitchen: Where is original if extant or known (marked by very  
large fireplace)? Separate building; wing to principal  
dwelling; within principal dwelling? On which floor of any  
of the above?

6. Note presence or lack (if any) of any wooden member described



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FROST VILLAGE

Frostburg City Map

1" = 500'

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South



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North