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Alhambra (John Ellicott House)
2901 Westchester Avenue (east side)
Oella (in Baltimore County)

1859

The house is a 2-story L-plan house with classical overtones, including a mixture of Italianate and Greek Revival elements. The 3-bay wide center section has a two-story porch. On each level of this porch are six columns, with paired columns at the ends and single columns between. To the left of this section, is a gable-front section which projects out just farther than the porch. It has a round window in the gable, which has cornice returns, above two tripartite windows. The other end of the house has a three-story tower with tripartite windows on each floor. The windows on the second and third floors of this tower have what appear to be iron balustrades. The roofline of the tower is interrupted by a small shallow gable peak. Its dimensions in a 1918 tax list were 32 x 58 feet.

Commanding an elevation overlooking the flour mill at Ellicott City, the house was built in 1859 by John Ellicott of John, who did not live to occupy the house. Alhambra passed to Adeline D. Greene in 1863. Miss Greene married Judge Oliver Miller, and the 1878 Howard County atlas showed their home as "Greenwood." Eleanor B. Magill of the mill family acquired the house in 1910. The house is superbly maintained, painted white, equipped with paneling, mirrors, colored glass window lights, etc. Former owners were Mr. and Mrs. Francis X. Gibbons. The owners from 1978 to 1981 were Thomas G. and Allyson A. Handley. The house was acquired in 1981 by Michael H. Davis and W. Stanwood Whiting, and later by Frank and Virginia Keefer.

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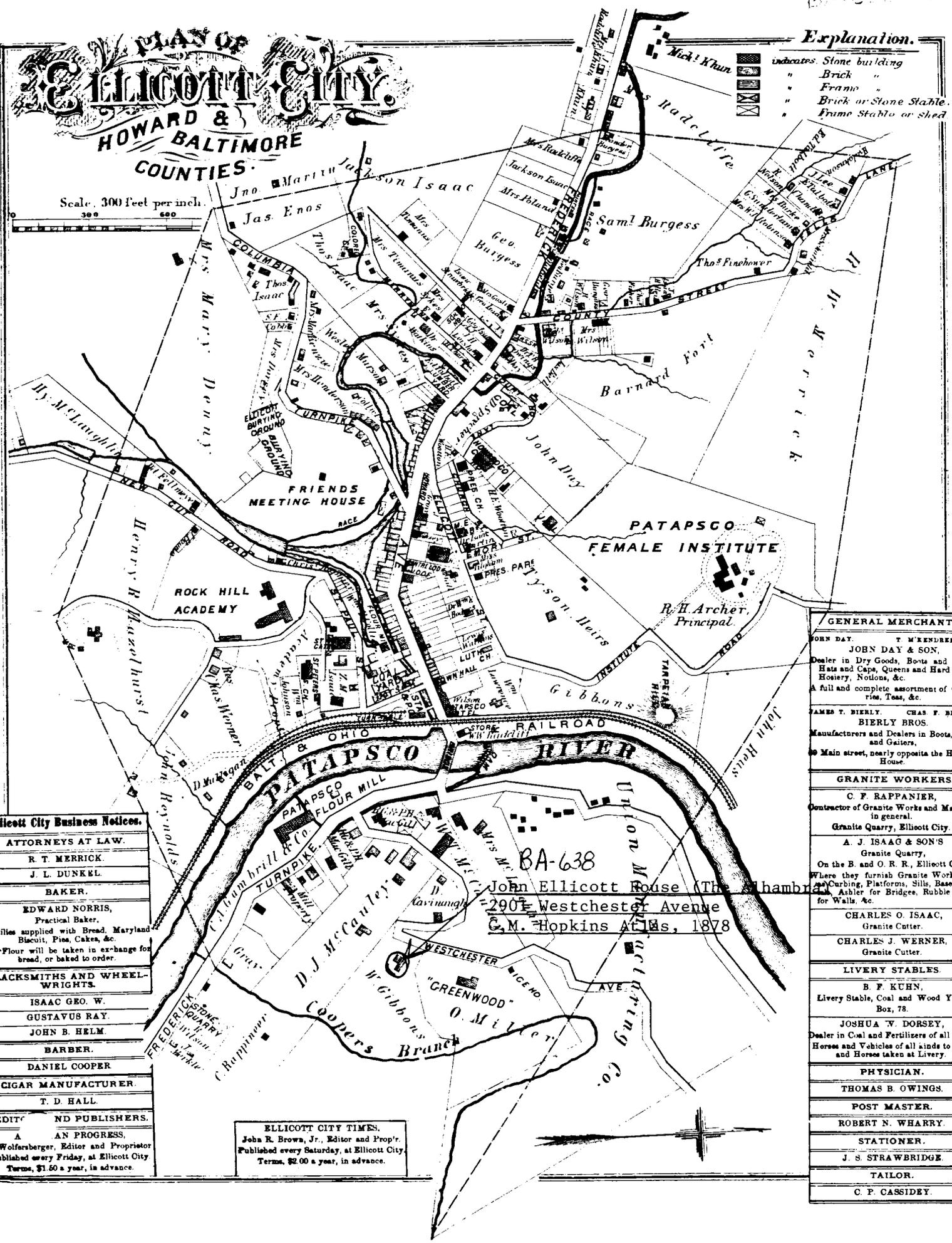
PLAN OF ELICOTT CITY

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Scale, 300 feet per inch.

Explanation.

- indicates Stone building
- " Brick "
- " Frame "
- " Brick or Stone Stable "
- " Frame Stable or shed "



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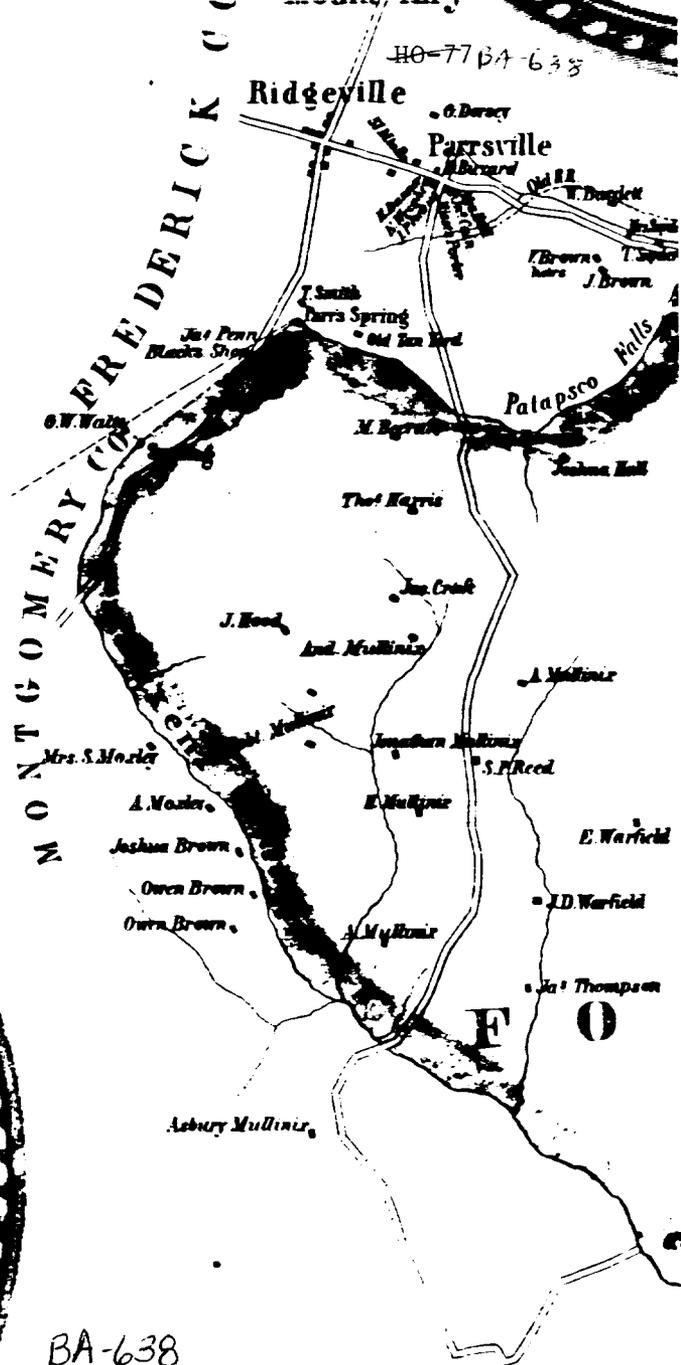
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