

F-5-116  
Harrisville Hotel  
Mt. Airy vicinity  
Private

Ca. 1912

The Harrisville Hotel is a two-story frame dwelling built about 1912 and altered in the mid-20th century for use as a summer hotel with a roofline raised to a gambrel profile and an enclosed side sun porch. Bedrooms on the second floor of the house still retain the numbers assigned to guest rooms. The exterior of the house was originally german siding and is now covered with vinyl siding. A one-story porch extends across the south elevation and a screen enclosed porch is on the north elevation. Associated with the house is a frame wash house probably built about the same time in which laundry from neighboring residences as well as that of the hotel was done. A small frame pump house north of the dwelling on Buffalo Road brought water from the mill race running through the property toward the site of an early 19th century grist and saw mill (demolished). This mill was the center of the small village of Harrisville which had a store and post office by the 1850's on the site of the present hotel building. The store was apparently replaced by the building which became the hotel in about 1912. No confirming information or name of the hotel has yet been discovered and the historical name of Harrisville Hotel is based on its location and function.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont  
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery  
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:  
Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:  
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Types:

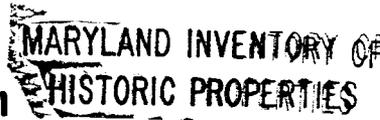
Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function and Use:  
Domestic/single dwelling/residence  
Domestic/secondary structure/other dependencies

Known Design Source: None

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form



Magi No.

DOE  yes  no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Harrisville Hotel

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number 5544 Buffalo Road  not for publicationcity, town Mt. Airy  vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

## 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 checked="" 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"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Helen M. Maleady and Catherine and Craig Ulander

street &amp; number 5544 Buffalo Road telephone no.:

city, town Mt. Airy state and zip code Md. 21771

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 1931

street &amp; number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 938

city, town Frederick state Md. 21701

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

Survey No. F-5-116

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved    date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 3

The Harrisville Hotel is a two-story frame dwelling built about 1912 with vinyl siding with two associated frame outbuildings, a wash house and a pump house, both of about the same date. The dwelling and summer kitchen are located on the north side of the intersection of Buffalo Road and Harrisville Road near Mt. Airy, Frederick County, Maryland. The pump house is located on the west side of Buffalo Road northeast of the dwelling and wash house and separated from them by a heavily foliated area of about 30 yards through which runs a mill race. The building's identification as a hotel is based on oral information from one of the current owners, Mrs. Craig Ulander, and on the presence of numbered bedrooms on the second story of the house, but no information to confirm its use as a hotel has been yet discovered. The name "Harrisville Hotel" is used to identify its historical location in the village of Harrisville and to reflect the possible use of the building during the early to mid-20th century, but is not based on actual usage in local history. The date of the building is based on architectural details and information from Mrs. Ulander.

The dwelling's principal elevation faces south and has an irregular arrangement of bays, with five on the first story under a one-story porch across the entire south elevation, and four on the second story. The exterior was originally german siding which is now covered with vinyl siding. The roof was originally a gable type with dormers which was altered to a gambrel profile probably in the second quarter of the 20th century to provide more rooms when the structure was adapted for hotel use. The south slope of the roof is covered with composition material and the rear or north slope is standing seam metal. A modern exterior brick chimney is at the west gable end of the house. On the east gable end is a two-story enclosed porch which was originally an open sun porch. The windows are 1/1 with replacement shutters. The porch has Tuscan columns and a concrete deck. On the north elevation is a screen-enclosed one-story porch and a modern deck. On the west and north elevations, the topography of the site reveals the stone foundation of the building. The interior of the house has been altered with some wall partitions removed, but the hardwood floors, the central hall, and the stained and varnished window and door frames remain intact. On the second floor, painted numbers over the paneled doors to the bedrooms are the principal surviving feature of the building's use as a hotel. Mrs. Ulander believes the house was operated as a summer hotel in the 1940's.

Wash house: The one-story rectangular frame wash house is located just northeast of the dwelling. The building has german siding and a gambrel roof with composition roofing. Its interior was not accessible for this survey. Its features are virtually indistinguishable from summer kitchens of the same period. Mrs. Ulander has been told that a previous occupant of the house took in laundry from Harrisville area residents and that the window opening on the south end of the building was the pass-through for incoming work and outgoing completed wash. The laundry was possibly intended to service the hotel, but was expanded to include neighborhood work.

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# 8. Significance

Survey No. F-5-116

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" 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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates C. 1912

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria:  A  B  C  D  
and/or

Applicable Exception:  A  B  C  D  E  F  G

Level of Significance:  national  state  local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Harrisville Hotel is minimally significant in architecture and community planning, being an altered vernacular dwelling of about 1912 which may have been used as a summer hotel in the 1940's. The name of the hotel has not been discovered and the historical name refers to its location in the village of Harrisville. Its site was that of a store and post office in the late 1850's, indicating its central importance in the development of the rural crossroads and mill village, which grew slowly near the grist and saw mill established in the first decade of the 19th century, probably by Nathan Harris. The house was probably built about 1912 as a private residence, replacing the store, and the use as a hotel probably occurred in the 1930's and 1940's, as the automobile increased in popularity for private leisure travel. Concurrently, the effects of the Great Depression on rural areas led to the opening of some private houses as summer tourist hotels as a way of supplementing agricultural income. The wash house on the hotel property is said to have been used to take in laundry from the surrounding vicinity as well as that of the hotel.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. F-5-116

Bond, Isaac. Map of Frederick County, 1858.  
Land Records of Frederick County  
Titus, C.O. Atlas of Frederick County, 1873.

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 3.4 acres

Quadrangle name Libertytown, Md.

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A 

Zone	Easting			Northing					

B 

Zone	Easting			Northing					

C 

Zone	Easting			Northing					

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Zone	Easting			Northing					

H 

Zone	Easting			Northing					

### Verbal boundary description and justification

Concurrent with Tax Map 71, Parcel 40

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state code county code

state code county code

# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor

organization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. date August 1994

street & number 12 E. Church Street telephone 696-2958

city or town Frederick state MD 21701

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.

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DHCP/DHCD  
100 COMMUNITY PLACE  
CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032-2023  
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7.1 Description (Continued)

Pump house: The small frame pump house is located at the west edge of Buffalo Road about 30 yards northeast of the house and wash house. The building has german siding with a doorway and a boarded window opening on the east elevation. The roof is covered with composition material, but is in deteriorated condition. The building interior was inaccessible, but Mrs. Ulander said the pump operated on the mill race associated with the mill which stood south of the Harrisville-Buffalo Road intersection and which was historically part of the same parcel on which the hotel stands. The mill is no longer extant.

5544 Buffalo

Liber/Folio	Grantee	Grantor	Lot Size, Description, Original Tracts, Miscellaneous	Cost
1931/938 24 Aug. 93	Helen M. Mallady + Catherine + Craig	Helen M. Mallady Wander	3 parcels: 1) 69 sq. p. part of "The Mill Site" 2) 2 a., 3 R., 35 p. 3) 0.15 a.	
1177/215 29 Jul 82				
1067/1 30 Oct 78	Nicholas H. + Cheryl O. Toomey	Joseph D. + Dolores S. Beall	3 a., 1 R., 24 sq. p.	
752/610 12 Aug 66	Joseph D. Beall et ux	Melvin Harry Coulter et ux		
679/597 9 Feb 63	Melvin Harry + Barbara E. Coulter	Dora M. + Evelyn M. Barnes		
484/307 31 Mar 50	Dora M. + Evelyn M. Barnes	Clara Baile Beck		
484/306 31 Mar 50	Clara Baile Beck	Dora M. Barnes, undou		
318/150 4 Jul 16	Dora M. Barnes	Elizabeth Baumgardner undou		
308/138 19 Feb 14	Elizabeth Baumgardner	Lawrence R. + Sarah. Doyle		#1400
308/137 14 Feb 14	Lawrence R. Doyle et ux	Ernest M. Regley		

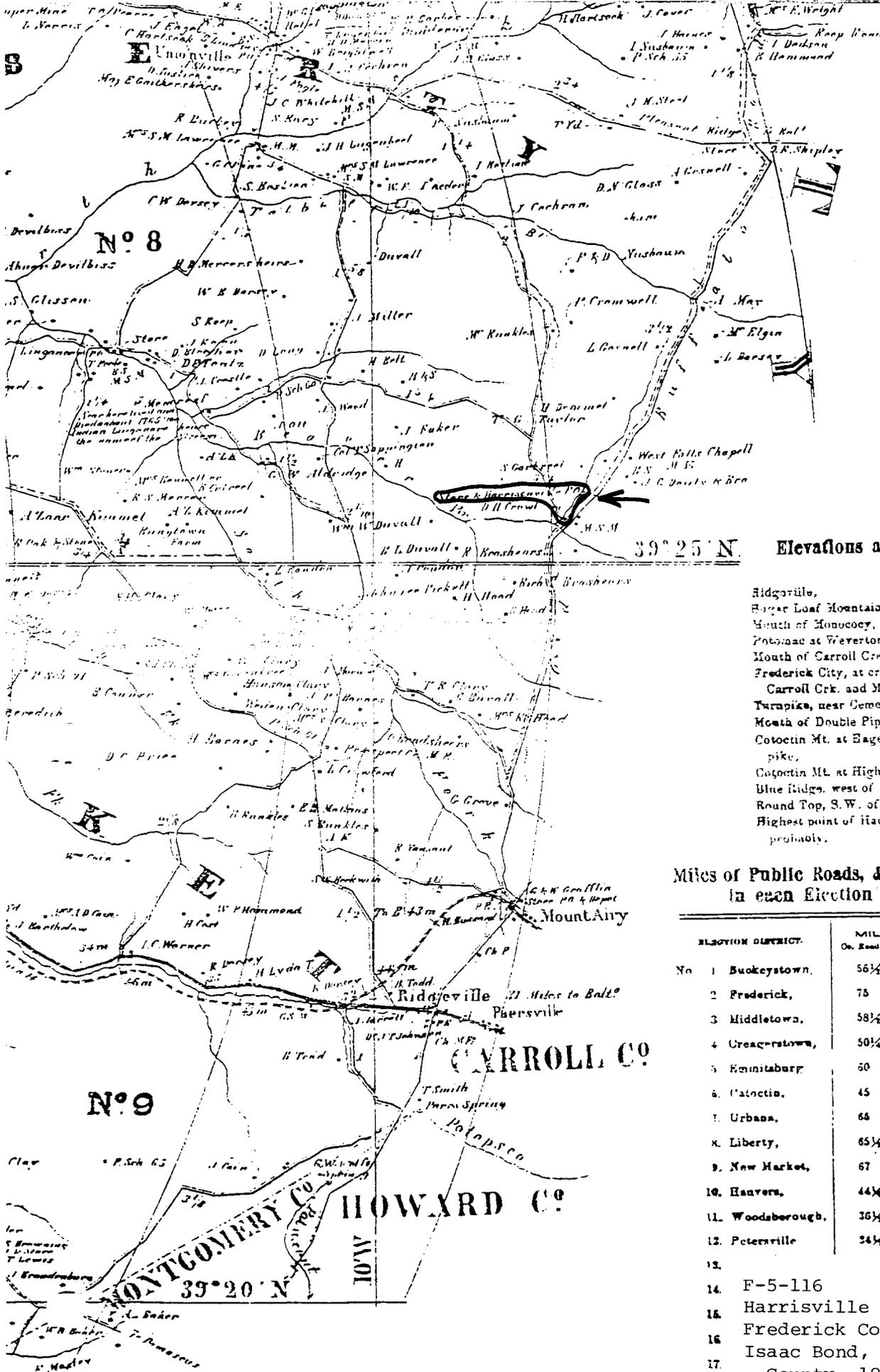
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302/281 6 Nov 12	Ernest W. Bigler	Elizabeth Baumgartner widow		
302/280 22 June 12	Elizabeth Baumgartner	D. Princeton Buckley, trustee of Ernest W. Bigler Equity 8793		
294/97 27 June 10	Ernest W. Bigler	John S. Nitz et ux		\$450
22 Mar 09	John S. Nitz	Charles E. Browning		
280/179 25 Jul 07	Charles E. Browning	Annie R. Donald et al	Annie R. Donald (formerly Henry Clary's widow)	
AF 9/409 11 Sept 1884	Henry M. Clary	James H. Clary & Sarah C. Clary	"The Mill Site" 1 Apr 1869 Cooks to Hood & Clary 69 sq. ft.	\$2700
AF 11/494 24 Nov 1885	Henry M. Clary	Samuel Black et ux	2 A., 3 R., 35 sq. ft. 14 Sept 1867 Samuel Cooke & Annetta Cooke to Samuel Black	\$222.65
CM 4/101 14 Sept 1869	Samuel Black	Israel & Annetta Cooke		
DSB 1/165 1 Apr 1867	Henry Hood & James Clary	Israel & Annetta Cooke	"The Mill Site" partly in Frederick & partly in Carroll County 55 81/458 56 71/384 7 Aug 1813 46 A. & 3/4 sq. ft.	\$10,000
ES 9/642 27 Feb 1857	Israel & Annetta Cooke	Henry & Agnes S. Codel, et al	several parcels, including "The Mill Site" 49 A., partly in Frederick & partly in Carroll	

Lot Size, Description,  
Original Tracts,  
Miscellaneous

Liber/Folio	Grantee	Grantor		Cost
ES 5/22 23 Mar 1854	Henry Crowl	Caskins (?) W. H. Ouwings		
<del>JS 8/450</del>	Caskins W. H. Ouwings	Orellana H. Ouwings, Trustee for sale of real estate of Thos. B. Ouwings, dec.		
JS 7/384 14 Aug 1818	Thos. B. Ouwings	Mathew Harris	50@.	\$2,000



**Elevations above Tide.**

	FEET.
Ridgerville,	860
Beech Leaf Mountain,	1300
North of Monocacy,	196
Potomac at Weverton, about	225
Mouth of Carroll Creek,	241
Frederick City, at crossing of Carroll Crk. and Market St.,	278
Turpicks, near Cemetery,	350
Mouth of Double Pipe Creek,	349
Catoctin Mt. at Eagerstown Turn- pike,	870
Catoctin Mt. at High Knob,	1530
Blue Ridge, west of Middletown,	1700
Round Top, S.W. of Eamitsburg,	1700
Highest point of Havers District, probably,	2000

**Miles of Public Roads, & Square Miles  
in each Election District.**

ELECTION DISTRICT.	MILES OF		Sq. Miles.
	Co. Roads.	Tarapikes.	
No 1 Buckeystown,	56½	1½	50
2 Frederick,	75	24½	66
3 Middletown,	58½	8	66
4 Greagertown,	50½	4½	40
5 Emmitsburg,	50	7	46
6 Catoctin,	45		28
7 Urbasa,	65		49
8 Liberty,	65½		67
9 New Market,	67	11½	62
10 Havers,	44½		30
11 Woodsborough,	36½	3½	33
12 Potersville	24½	6½	27

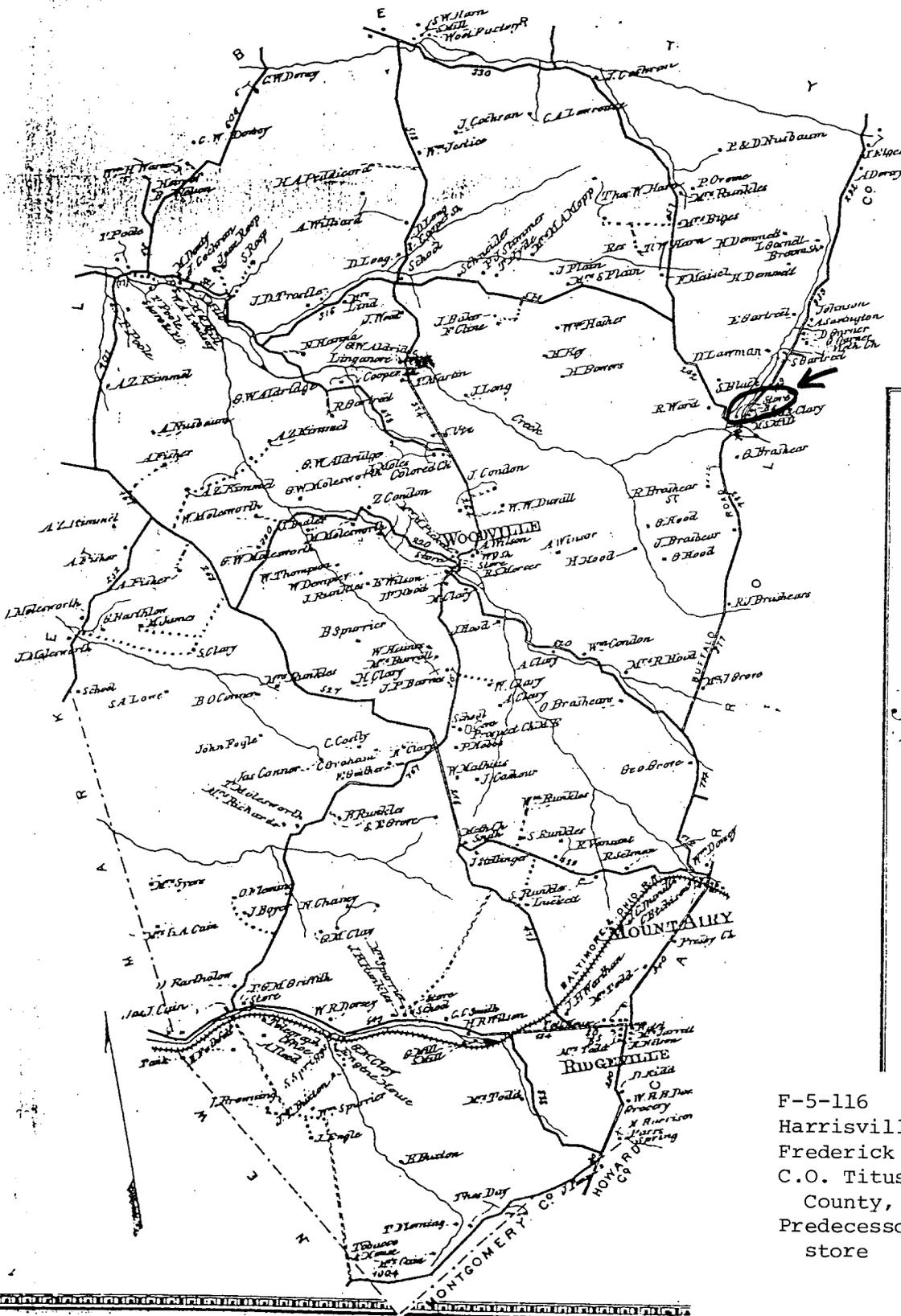
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- 15. Harrisville Hotel
- 16. Frederick County
- 17. Isaac Bond, Map of Frederick County, 1858

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Predecessor building on site,  
store and post office

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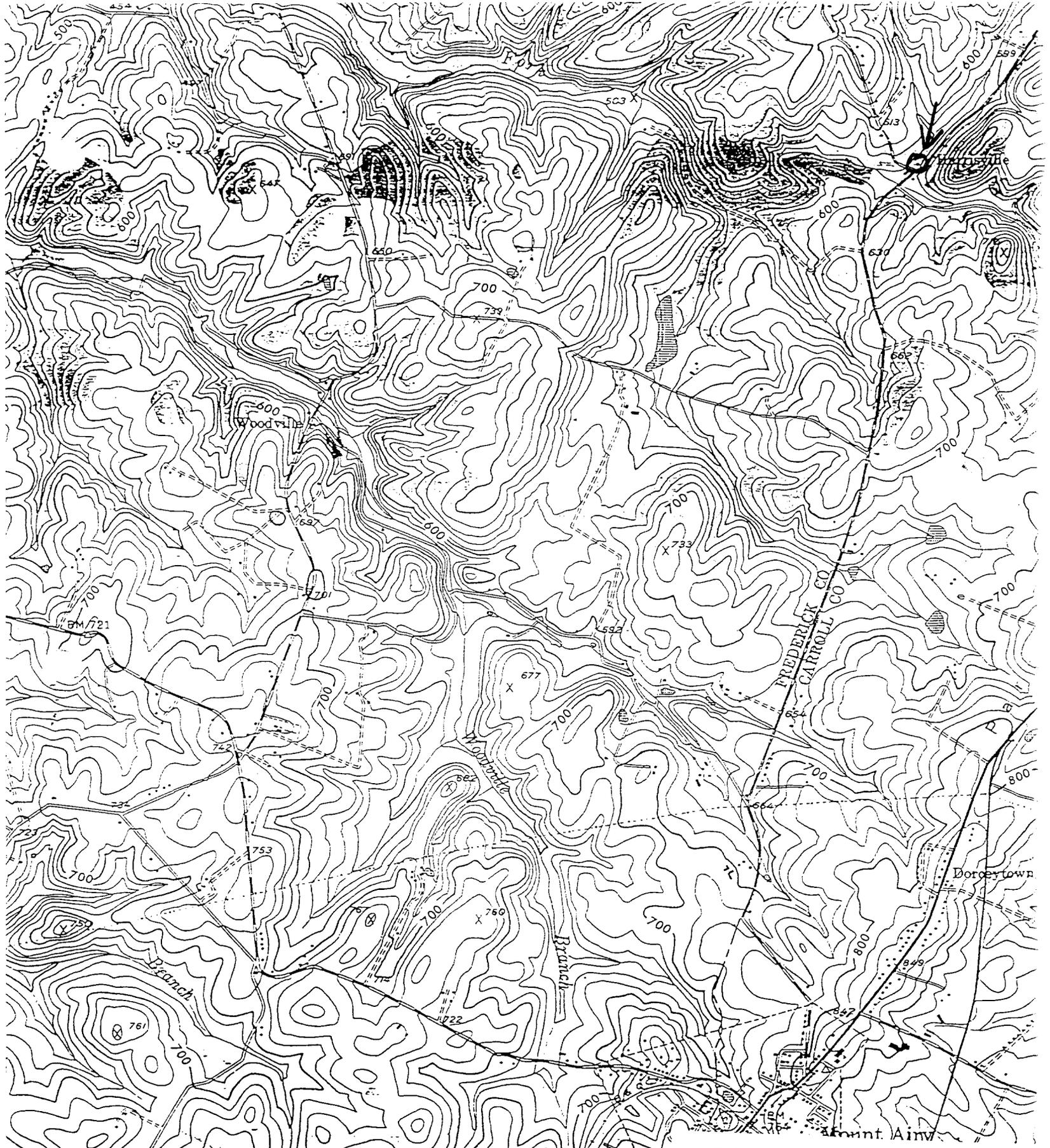
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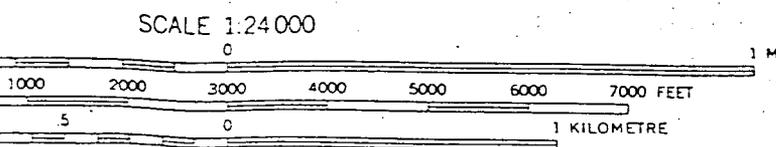
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County, 1873  
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USGS Libertytown, Md.  
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Harrisville Mo.

Fredonia county

Photo taken 1913

June 1913

North of Harrisville Mo.

South of Harrisville

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Flourville Hotel

Friedrich

Photo: J. J. D. D.

June 1910

1. 5000 N. 10th St. N. 10th St. N. 10th St.

North Station

2/3



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Harrisville Hotel

Frederick Co.

Photo: James D. ...

James D. ...

Aug. 10, 1911

Furniture ...

1911