

F-6-56

Ca. 1840

Hill-Draper House

Sabillasville vicinity, Maryland

Private

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Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

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

Chronological/Development Period:  
Agricultural-Industrial Transition 1815-1870  
Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:  
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning  
Economic (Commercial & Industrial)  
Government/Law

Resource Type:

Category: Buildings

Historic Environment: Village

Historic Function and Use:  
Domestic/single dwelling/residence  
Domestic/secondary structure/springhouse  
Commerce/Trade/speciality store/store  
Government/post office/post office

Known Design Source: None

**Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. F-6-56

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DOE  yes  no

**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic Hill-Draper House

and/or common

**2. Location**

street & number 14913 Foxville-Deerfield Road  not for publication

city, town Sabillasville  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 Sanford & Jenny Fox

street & number 14913 Foxville Deerfield Road telephone no.:

city, town Sabillasville state and zip code Md. 21780

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 823

street & number 100 West Patrick Street folio 529

city, town Frederick state Md. 21701

**6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys**

title

date  federal  state  county  local

pository for survey records

city, town state

# 7. Description

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**Condition**

excellent

good

fair

deteriorated

ruins

unexposed

**Check one**

unaltered

altered

**Check one**

original site

moved

date of move \_\_\_\_\_

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

# 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

### Specific dates

### 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.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Atlas of Frederick County, Maryland, C.O. Titus and Co., Philadelphia, 1873.

Interview with Mr. Fox, owner, March 1991.

Map of Frederick County, Maryland, Isaac Bond, Baltimore, 1858.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 3.415 acres

Quadrangle name Blue Ridge Summit

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone	Easting			Northing					

B 

Zone	Easting			Northing					

C 

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Tax Map 18  
Parcel 140

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

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

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city or town Frederick state Md. 21701

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## 7.1 Description

The Hill-Draper House is a 1 1/2 story log house located on the Foxville-Deerfield Road in the vicinity of Sabillasville, Maryland. The principal elevation faces west and contains three bays. The property also includes a springhouse.

The building was constructed of large chestnut logs with V-notching at the corners. A side gable roof of standing seam tin contains an exterior end brick chimney. The west facade contains a picture window (replacement) and an off-center door. A 1 story open porch covers the facade with a steeply pitched shed roof. The east elevation has an exposed stone basement level that originally served commercial purposes. It is two bays in width and has double doors in the basement. On the first floor, it contains two 6/6 windows. A 2 story open porch includes the basement and first floor and is full-facade length. The south elevation is sheathed in asphalt shingles and contains two 6 light fixed windows in the upper half story. The north elevation also has two 6 light fixed windows in the upper half story and a 1/1 light window on the first floor. Two additions, each one story in height, extend from the north elevation with the first one being taller than the second. Both have shed roofs with the taller one resting on the lower. (The additions were constructed by the present owner in the mid-twentieth century.)

The interior of the basement level was accessible for viewing. It contains hand-hewn, white-washed beams. Originally, a partition (evidenced by ghostmarks) divided the room into a post office and a store. The store section contained a large fireplace. The owner believes that the log walls were always exposed.

A springhouse is located to the east of the house. Its gable roof runs east to west. Resting on a stone foundation, it is sheathed in asphalt shingling.

## 8.1 Significance

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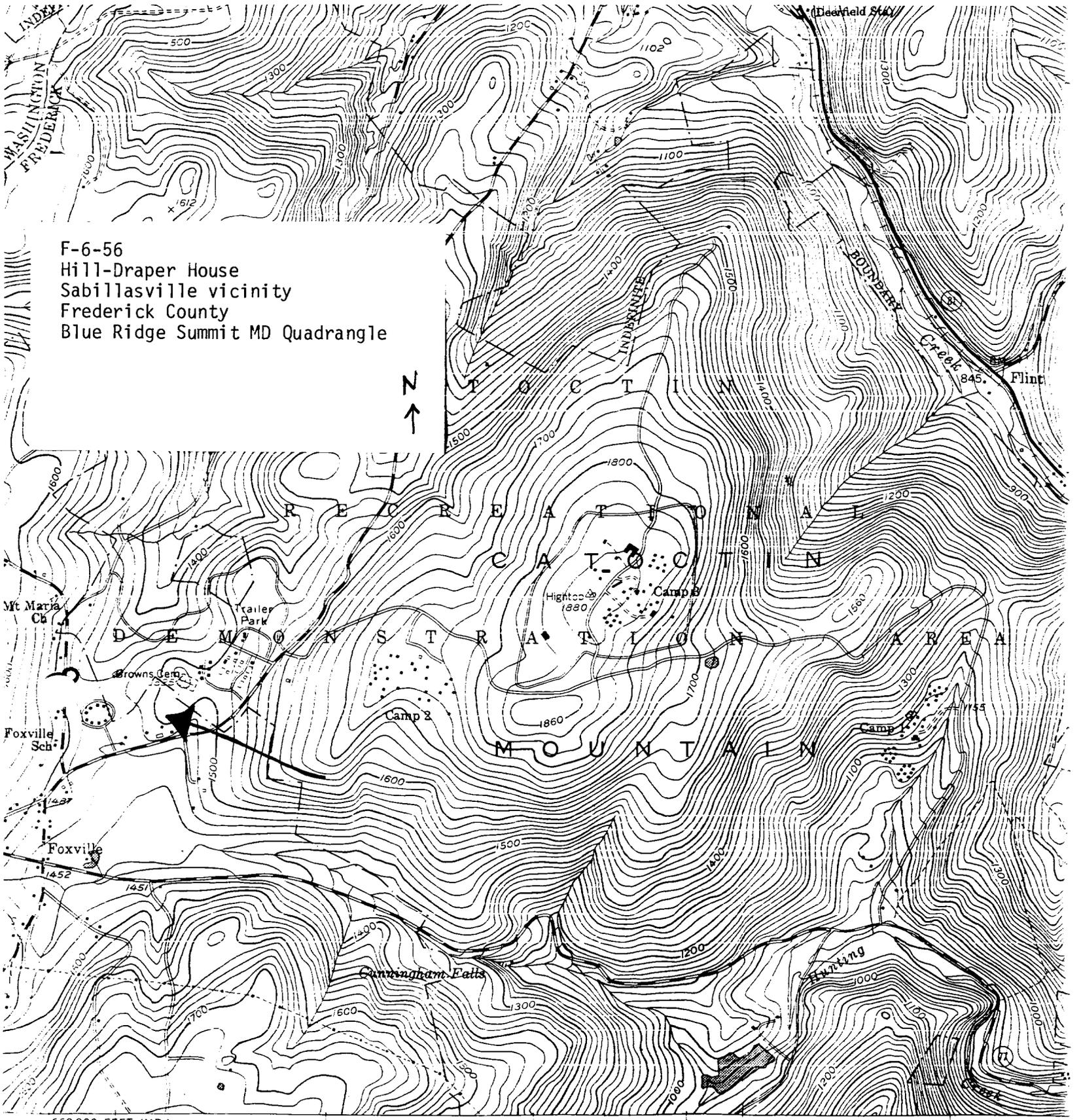
In its historic context, this building appears to exemplify a unique village resource. The lay-out of the original village of Foxville has been obscured by twentieth century infill; however, several buildings survive to lend context to the village including the existence of this building. Compared to other buildings of its type, it provides a good example of the commercial/residential mix seen in other larger villages in Frederick County such as Woodsboro. It differs from other examples of its type with its smaller size and its exposed log construction.

According to the owner, the house is 143 years old and has served as a store, a post office, and a veterinarian's office. In 1858, the house was occupied by G. Hill; by 1873, I. Draper resided there. An 1887 directory of post offices in the county lists the Fixville Post Office but does not indicate its exact location. It refers to the village as "extensively laid out and claims a population of 250." ("Post Offices of Frederick County", 1887, compiled by Charles W. Miller, Frederick.) This extensive lay out perhaps contributed to the loss of a tangible district in Foxville. By the mid-twentieth century, commercial buildings like the Hill-Draper House were no longer utilized in the village.

9.1 Bibliography (Continued)

"Post Offices of Frederick County", 1887, compiled by Charles W. Miller, Frederick.

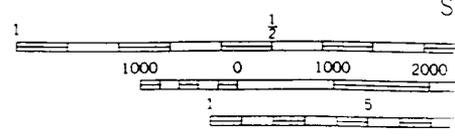




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 Blue Ridge Summit MD Quadrangle

Map compiled by the Army Map Service  
 and published by the Geological Survey  
 Control by USGS and USC&GS  
 Original from aerial photographs by stereophotogrammetric  
 methods. Aerial photographs taken 1943. Field check 1944  
 and revised by the Geological Survey 1953

MN  
 GN  
 8"  
 142 MILS  
 1:33'  
 28 MILS  
 UTM GRID AND 1971 MAGNETIC NORTH-DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET



CONTROL DATUM

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH  
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North elevation

1/2



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East elevation

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