

ABSTRACT

WA-I-431

19th Century

Baker-Hebb Farm (Common)

"Samuel Baker's Home Place" (Historic)

Funkstown Vicinity

private

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## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

**"Samuel Baker's Home Place"**

AND/OR COMMON

**Baker-Hebb Farm****2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

**Hebb Road**

CITY, TOWN

 VICINITY OF **Funkstown**

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

**6**

STATE

**Maryland**

COUNTY

**Washington****3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

 DISTRICT  
 BUILDING(S)  
 STRUCTURE  
 SITE  
 OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

 PUBLIC  
 PRIVATE  
 BOTH  
**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**  
 IN PROCESS  
 BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

 OCCUPIED  
 UNOCCUPIED  
 WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
 YES: RESTRICTED  
 YES: UNRESTRICTED  
 NO

## PRESENT USE

 AGRICULTURE  
 COMMERCIAL  
 EDUCATIONAL  
 ENTERTAINMENT  
 GOVERNMENT  
 INDUSTRIAL  
 MILITARY  
 MUSEUM  
 PARK  
 PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
 RELIGIOUS  
 SCIENTIFIC  
 TRANSPORTATION  
 OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

**Howard W. Hebb**

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

**Route # 9, Box 231**

CITY, TOWN

**Hagerstown** VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**Maryland 21740****5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. **Washington County Court House**Liber #: **281**Folio #: **332**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

**West Washington Street**

CITY, TOWN

**Hagerstown**

STATE

**Maryland 21740****6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

**Maryland Historical Trust Survey # 3025**

DATE

**Summer 1967** FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS**Maryland Historical Trust**

CITY, TOWN

**Annapolis**

STATE

**Maryland 21401**

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# 7 DESCRIPTION

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<input checked="" 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 < 50%	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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

This farmstead of stone buildings is located on the north side of Hebb Road east of Funkstown, just west of U. S. Route 40 in Washington County, Maryland. The buildings are situated on hilly limestone ground with the house facing south and the barn north.

The house is a two story, five bay limestone building constructed into a slope so that a full three stories are exposed at the rear or north elevation. Extending to the rear is a two story, four bay ell with a double porch along its east wall. Masonry consists of roughly coursed stones with smaller blocks suggesting keystones centered above most openings.

Windows and doors are aligned with each other in the walls and have moderately wide frames, most trimmed with ogee molding. In the south and west elevations of the main section six over six pane double hung sashes are used. Most other windows have nine over six pane sashes. Hinge pins for shutters remain in most frames.

The main entrance is located in the center bay of the front elevation. Included above the six panel door is a transom. Sheltering the three central bays of the front wall is a hip roofed porch supported by turned posts. Other entrances are located in the north wall of the front section at the ground and main stories. This upper level door has been converted to a window. Entrances open onto both levels of the porch on the ell. The upper porch is partially supported with chamfered square posts and enclosed with a series of three rails.

The roof of the house is for the most part of standing seam sheet metal and terminates with barge boards set directly against the end walls. Brick chimneys are located inside the end walls. An exterior stone chimney with a tall brick extension has been added to the west wall of the ell.

Immediately east of the house is a one story stone outbuilding or summer kitchen with a chimney inside its east end wall. The barn is located west of the house. Like most barns in this region it is built into a bank or slope. Characteristically, it has vertical ventilator slits in its end walls. Also present are a series of square holes in the end walls between the plates. These may have held rafters for side extensions or attached sheds.

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**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		
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<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

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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The farm was known many years ago as the Samuel Baker home farm. According to the Washington County Land Records, Samuel Baker purchased all or part of the property in 1860 from Simon G. Knode (IN15/400). Members of the Knode family resided near Funkstown since the late 18th century. Samuel Baker also apparently owned land in the same vicinity prior to the 1860 purchase from Simon Knode.

The farm has been in the Hebb family since 1907 (125/693), although parcels have been sold off from time to time. The whole tract of about 100 acres included parts of the land grants, "Re survey on Old Fox Deceived," "Medcalf's Meadow" and "Establishment." The portion of the farm on which the buildings are located contains 3.04 acres.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Washington County Land Records.

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 3.04 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

**Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant**

ORGANIZATION

**Washington County Historical Sites Survey**

DATE

**January 1978**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

**County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street**

TELEPHONE

**791-3065**

CITY OR TOWN

**Hagerstown**

STATE

**Maryland 21740**

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.

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(MASON-DIXON)

UNITED STATES  
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39°37'30"

CHAMBERSBURG, PA. 19 MI  
HAGERSTOWN (PO) 19 MI

266000m E

267

42'30"

268

69 (H)



WA I 407  
4386

WA I 263

WA I 412

WA I 411

WA I 403

Flery Siding

WA I 231

WA I 422

WA I 431

WA I 431

WA I 429

WA I 428

WA I 427

WA I 426

WA I 316

WA I 415

WA I 414

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WILLIAMSBURG 4 V

4388000m N

4387

31 MI TO MC 01

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WILLIAMSBURG 4 V



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*S. W.*  
*April 1976*

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