

Survey # WA-II-1050 Approximate date Ca. 1959 (post office),
Street Address 21? South Main Street mill ca. 1835, 1760s (site)
Town, State Keedysville, Maryland
private X, public

Description

The Keedysville Post Office, a non-contributing brick structure dating from the 1950s, stands on the site of Hess's Mill, the centerpiece around which Keedysville was developed. The mill was torn down in 1953, but photographs of it survive. The mill was a two and a half story, three bay stone structure with a framed gable. It had nine over six windows at the main stories. The use of large stones without keystones, or arches over the windows indicates early 19th century construction. Some sources give the date of the last mill as 1835. This suggests that this was not the first mill on the site since Jacob Hess is said to have built a mill here in the 1760s and was taxed for one in 1783. Turn of the century period photographs show frame and cast stone additions to the mill.

A sawmill was located behind the grist mill. Its foundations remain.

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

- I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland
- II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
Rural Agrarian Intensification
- III. Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):
Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Community
Planning
Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
- IV. Resource Type
Category: Site
Historic Environment: Village
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):
Mill
Known Design Source: Unknown

Photo Reference: Photo # 44, 45, 95

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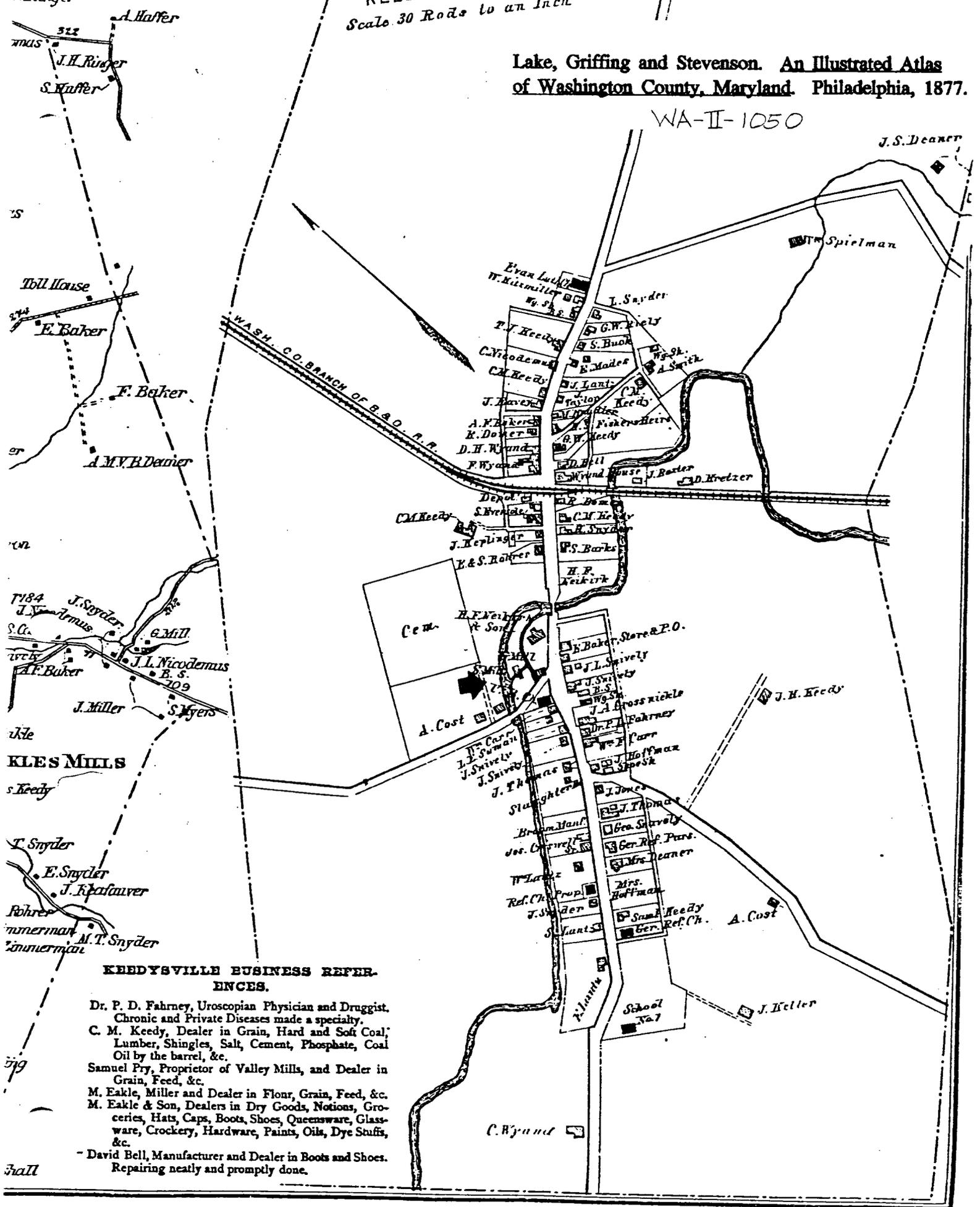
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KEEDYSVILLE
Scale 30 Rods to an Inch

Lake, Griffing and Stevenson. An Illustrated Atlas
of Washington County, Maryland. Philadelphia, 1877.

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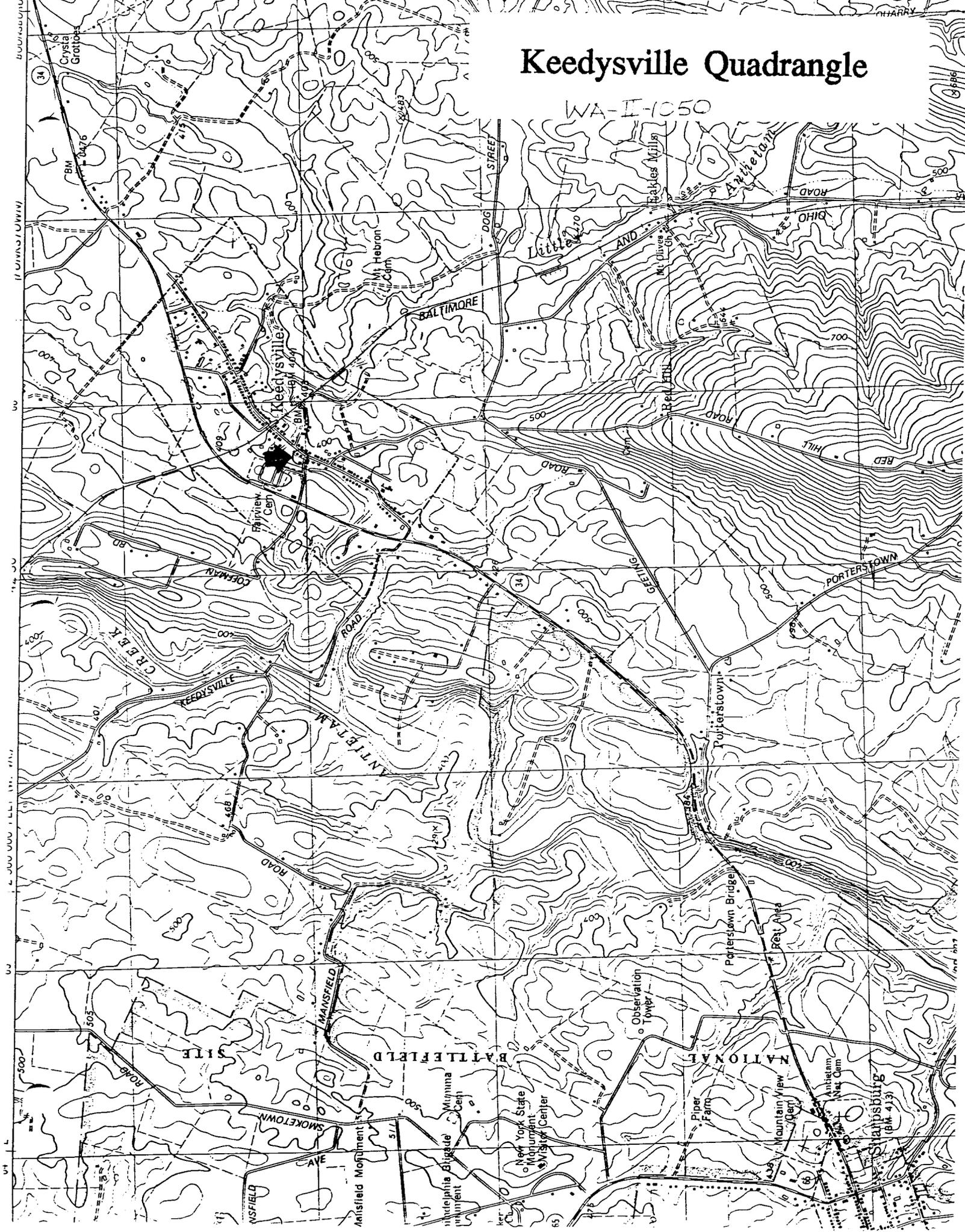


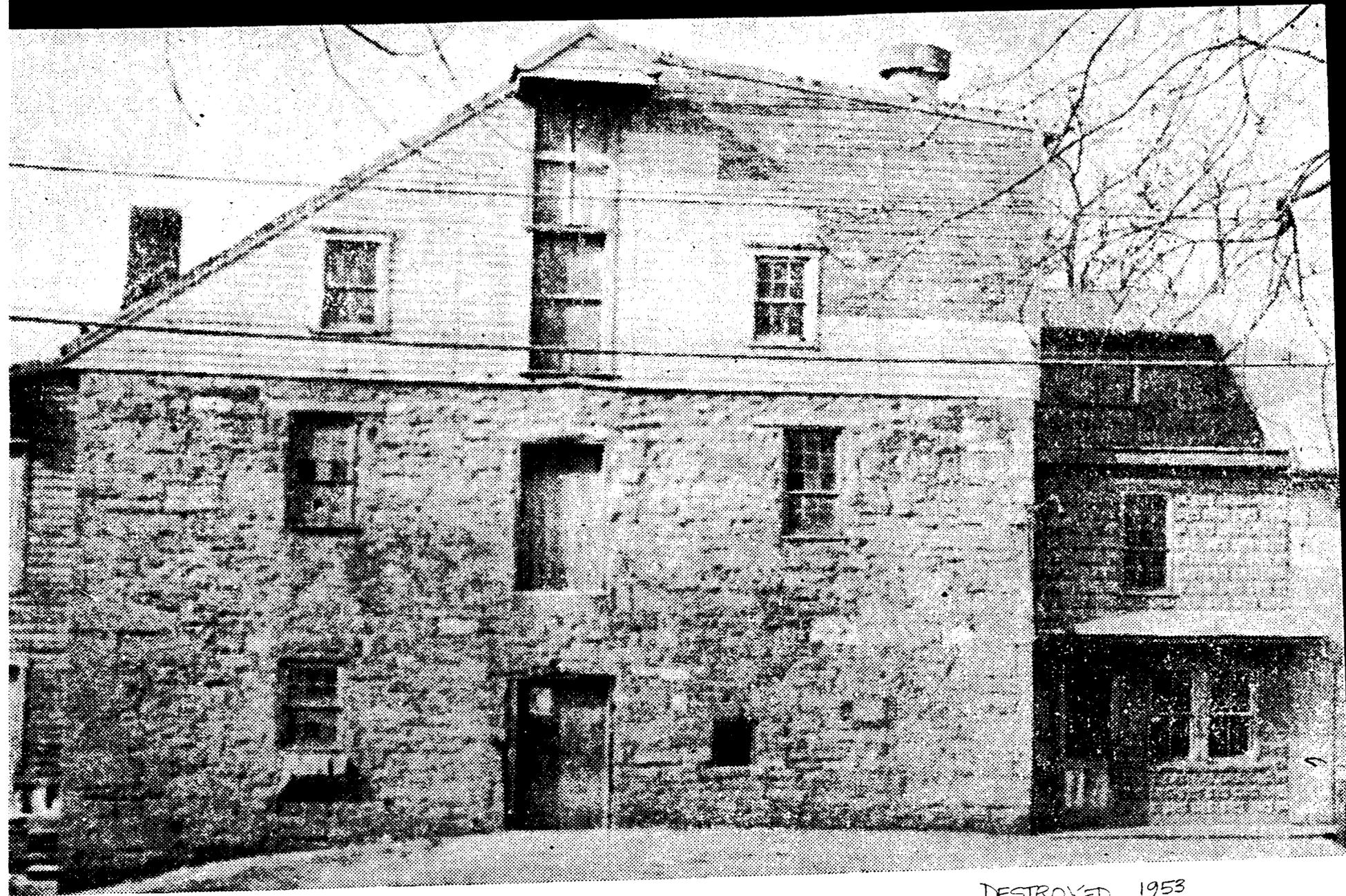
**KEEDYSVILLE BUSINESS REFER-
ENCES.**

- Dr. P. D. Fahrney, Uroscopian Physician and Druggist. Chronic and Private Diseases made a specialty.
- C. M. Keedy, Dealer in Grain, Hard and Soft Coal, Lumber, Shingles, Salt, Cement, Phosphate, Coal Oil by the barrel, &c.
- Samuel Fry, Proprietor of Valley Mills, and Dealer in Grain, Feed, &c.
- M. Eakle, Miller and Dealer in Flour, Grain, Feed, &c.
- M. Eakle & Son, Dealers in Dry Goods, Notions, Groceries, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Queensware, Glassware, Crockery, Hardware, Paints, Oils, Dye Stuffs, &c.
- David Bell, Manufacturer and Dealer in Boots and Shoes. Repairing neatly and promptly done.

Keedysville Quadrangle

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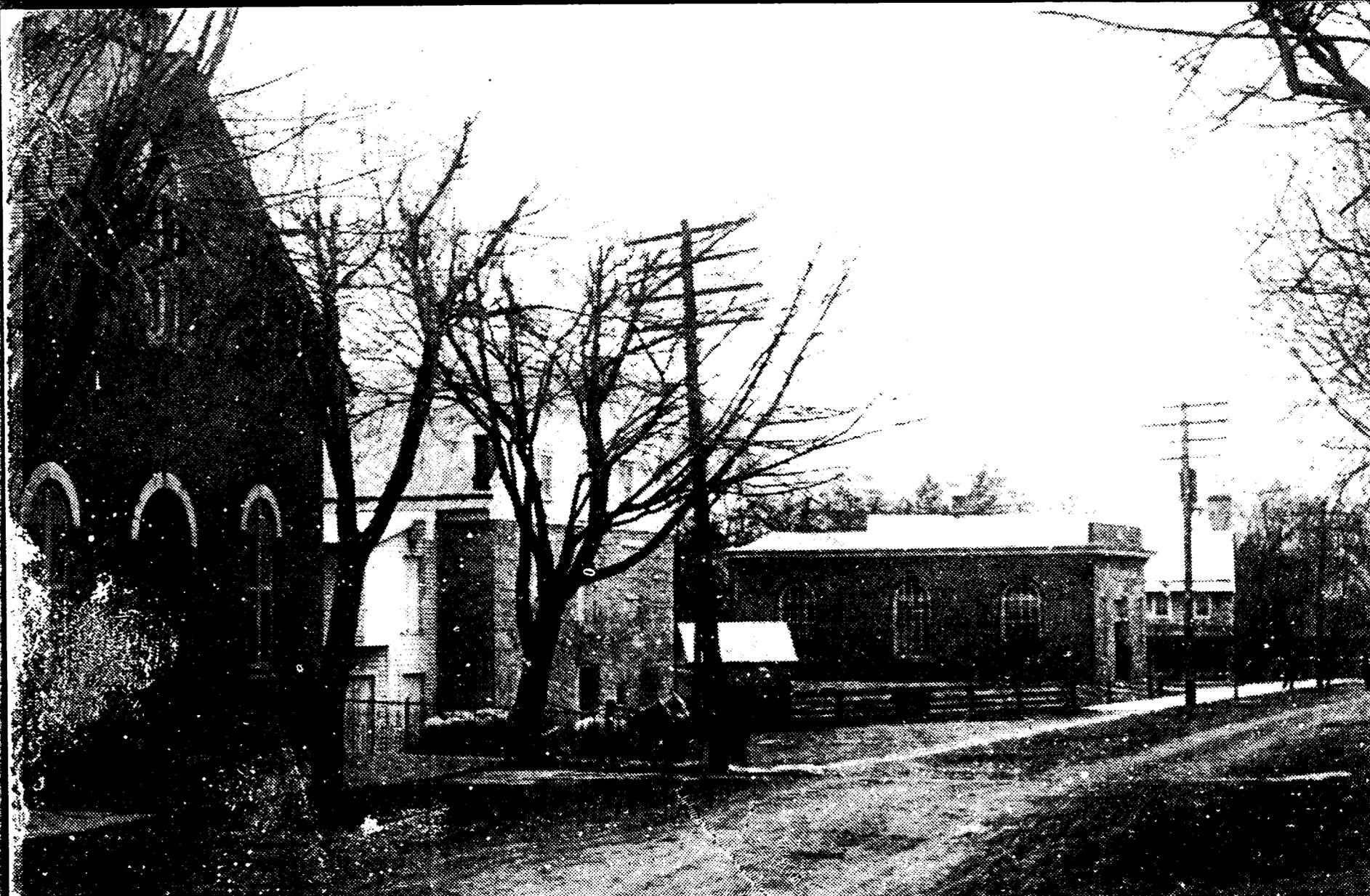


DESTROYED, 1953

WA-II-1050
Geedysville Milling Company, Inc.

First built about 1795 - - 1805

replaced by concrete bridge in 1910



VA-II-1050 - MILL

U. B. Church and Bank, Keedysville, Md.

CA, 1910



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213 S Main St., Hicksville, NY
11700

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21? S. Main St., Keedysville

SW view, N+E Elevations

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