

Survey # WA-II-1078 Approximate date 1835
Street Address 55 South Main Street
Town, State Keedysville, Maryland
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Description

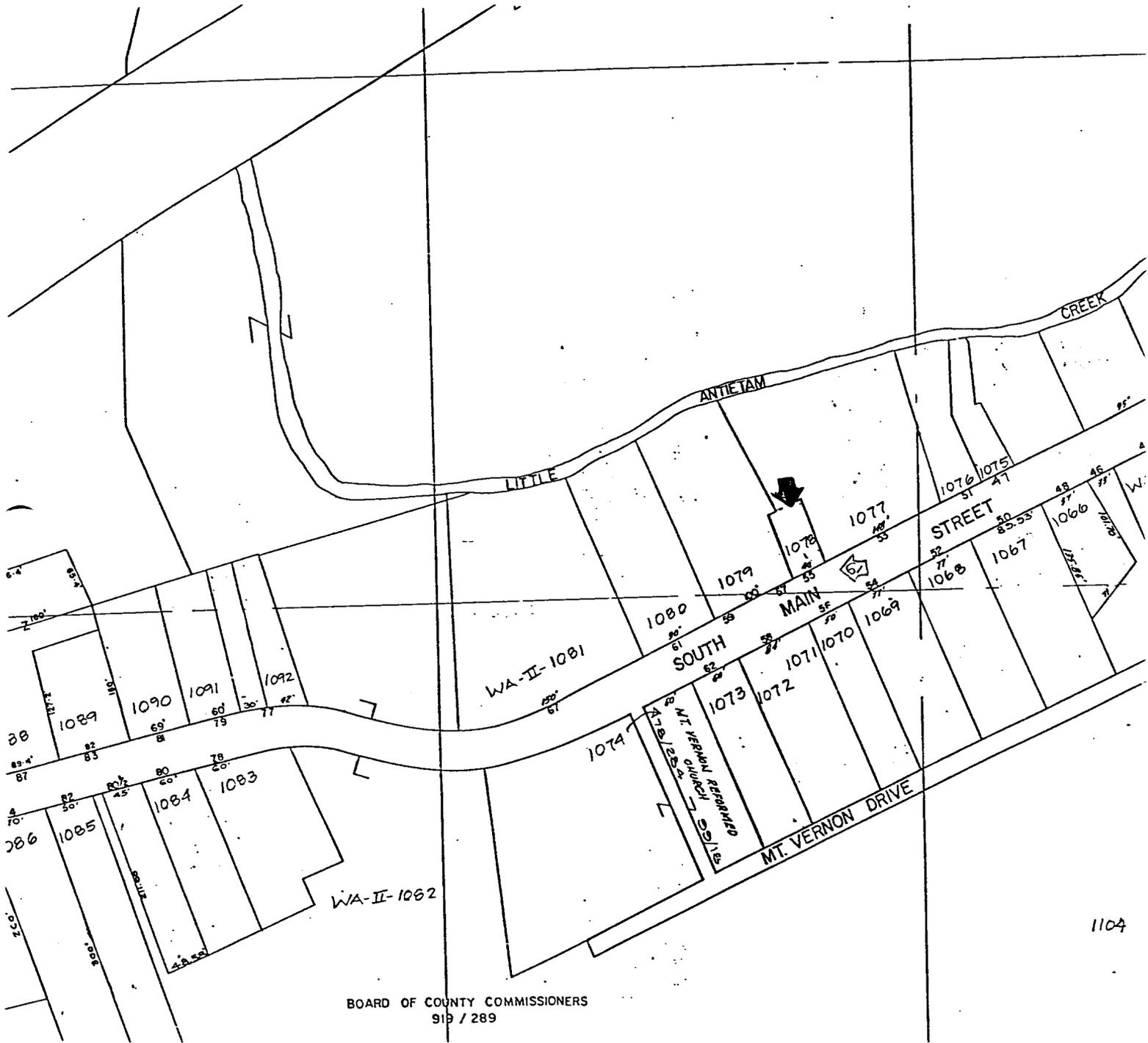
Set along South Main Street is this small gable-fronted stone building dating from the second quarter of the 19th century. It is a three bay wide structure with a central entrance. Within the gable above the entrance are double four-light windows which do not appear to be original. Other windows have nine over six light sash. A shed roofed porch supported by square posts extends across the front. A shed dormer was added to the roof.

According to Arita Van Rensselaer's manuscript on Keedysville's history and Margaret Burtner Moats' History of Keedysville, this building was constructed in 1835 by John Weaver, local stone mason. There is said to have been an arched stone date tablet over the door with the builder's name and date. This tablet was removed and replaced with the present window when the structure was converted to a residence. It originally served as a school and as a church for the German Reformed congregation from 1835-52. This may have been the school that was selected by the union army to serve as a hospital after the Battle of Antietam. The Reverend Robert Douglass, father of Henry Kyd Douglass preached in this building.

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

- I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland
- II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
Agricultural-Industrial Transition
- III. Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):
Education
Religion
- IV. Resource Type
Category: Building
Historic Environment: Village
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):
Single Dwelling
School
Church
Known Design Source: Unknown
- Photo Reference: Photo # 61
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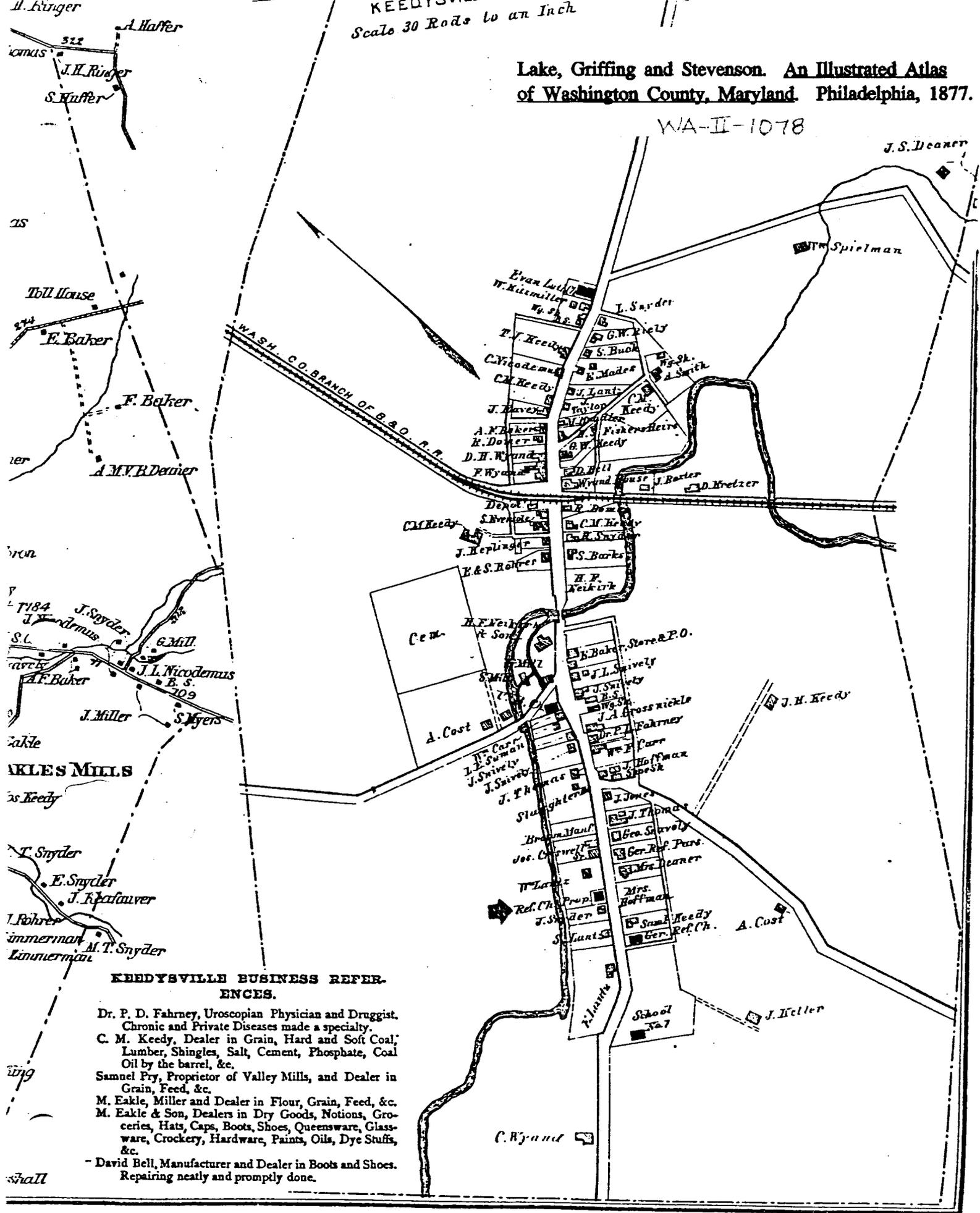
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KEEDYSVILLE
Scale 30 Rods to an Inch

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

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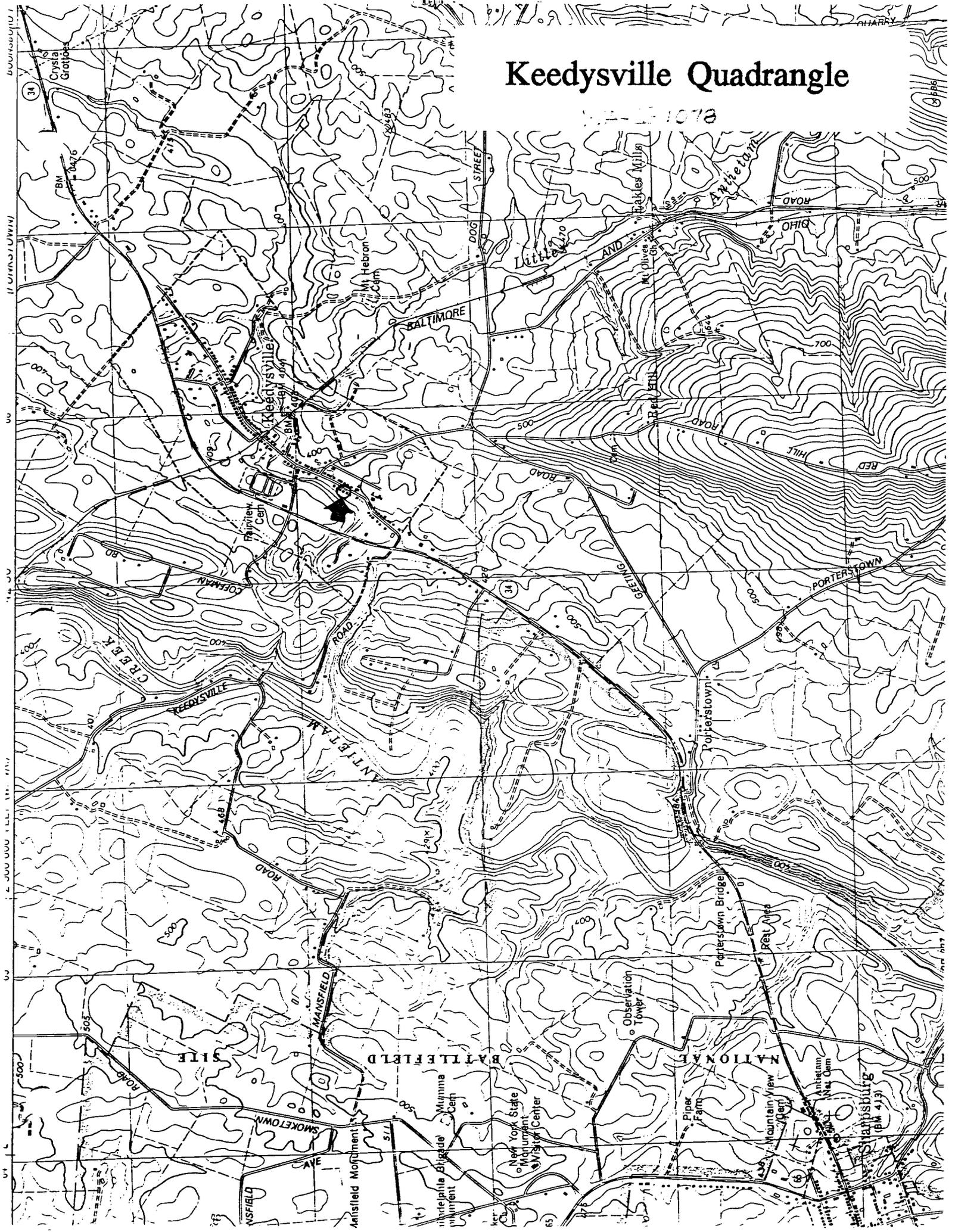


KEEDYSVILLE BUSINESS REFERENCES.

- 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.

Small

Keedysville Quadrangle





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55, 57-59 S. Main St. Keedysville, MD

SW view, E and N. Elevations

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