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TOWN CREEK AQUEDUCT OR AQUEDUCT #10
Town Creek and the C & O Canal
ca. 1845

The Town Creek Aqueduct was built in the early 1840's and was used to carry the canal across Town Creek. It is one of approximately twelve aqueducts which were built along the C & O Canal. Aqueduct #10 was built using a combination of limestone and sandstone. It consists of a semi-elliptical arch with a keystone. The arch is flanked by two rough hewn pilasters and topped by a stone fillet. A wrought iron fence originally stood along the towpath.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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 INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
 C & O Aquaduct
 AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
 At the mouth of Town Creek
 CITY, TOWN
 STATE Maryland
 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT Sixth
 COUNTY Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME National Parks Service Telephone #: 202-343-1100
 STREET & NUMBER C Street, between 18th & 19th Streets, N. W.
 CITY, TOWN Washington, D. C. STATE, zip code
 VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Allegany County Courthouse Liber #: 463
 STREET & NUMBER 30 Washington Street Folio #: 570
 CITY, TOWN Cumberland, STATE Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE
 DATE
 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS
 CITY, TOWN STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT DETERIORATED
GOOD RUINS
FAIR UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
MOVED DATE

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Aqueduct # 10 is located on the C & O Canal in Allegany County, - At the Mouth of Town Creek.

Aqueduct # 10 was built using a combination of limestone and sandstone. It consists of semi-elliptical arch with a keystone. The arch is flanked by two rough hewn pilasters and topped by a stone fillet. A wrought iron hand made fence originally stood along the towpath.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
REHISTORIC	<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 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Town Creek Aqueduct or Aqueduct #10^{was} built in the early 1840's and was used to carry the Canal across Town Creek. It is one of approximately twelve aqueducts which were built along the C & O Canal. Aqueduct #10 was constructed from large blocks of sandstone which were brought to the site and then cut, fitted and set in place. A perfect fit was of utmost importance since mortar could not be depended upon. The majority of the work on the aqueducts as well as other sites along the Canal, by Irish Stone Masons,¹
was accomplished

¹ George Hooper Wolf, I Drive Mules on the C & O Canal, (Dover, Delaware: Dover Graphic Associates, 1970) p. 25 and 29.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

RELIGION	LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	COMMUNITY PLANNING	ARCHAEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	PERIOD
SCIENCE	LAW	CONSERVATION	ARCHAEOLOGY-HISTORIC	1400-1499
SCULPTURE	LITERATURE	ECONOMICS	AGRICULTURE	1500-1599
SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	MILITARY	EDUCATION	ARCHITECTURE	1600-1699
				1700-1799
				1800-1899
				1900-1999

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .49 Acres

BUILDER/ARCHITECT	SPECIFIC DATES
	STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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

John Nelson, Joan Baldwin, & Steve Beale

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

9/2/76

STREET & NUMBER

507 National Highway

TELEPHONE

777-8991

CITY OR TOWN

LaVale,

STATE

Maryland

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.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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INVENTORY NO. A-11-B-23

463/570

DATE: 8/22/36

.49 Acres

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: C+O Aqueduct - #10

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: At The Mouth of Town Creek

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: Runs East + West

NAME OF OWNER: National Parks Service

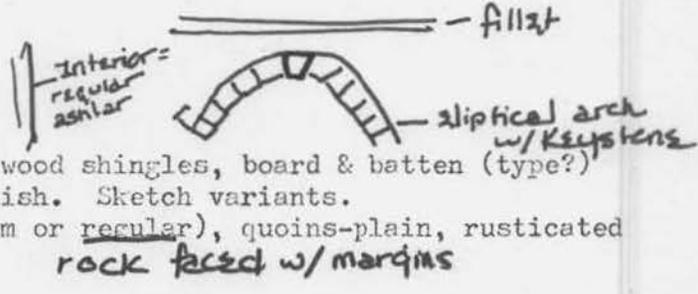
ADDRESS: "C" St. between 18th + 19th Sts. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 202-343-1100

STORIES: 1() 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS: may have originally been topped by iron railing

Dwelling Shape: (square, cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:



- () FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- () BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- () STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- () LOG + limestone
- () Other: Coverings

WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS _____

FOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONE

WATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICK

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
pegged() nailed() wide() narrow() mitred() pediment()

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: _____
HARDWARE: original() replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, Architrave

ROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, MANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, FORMERS #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced()

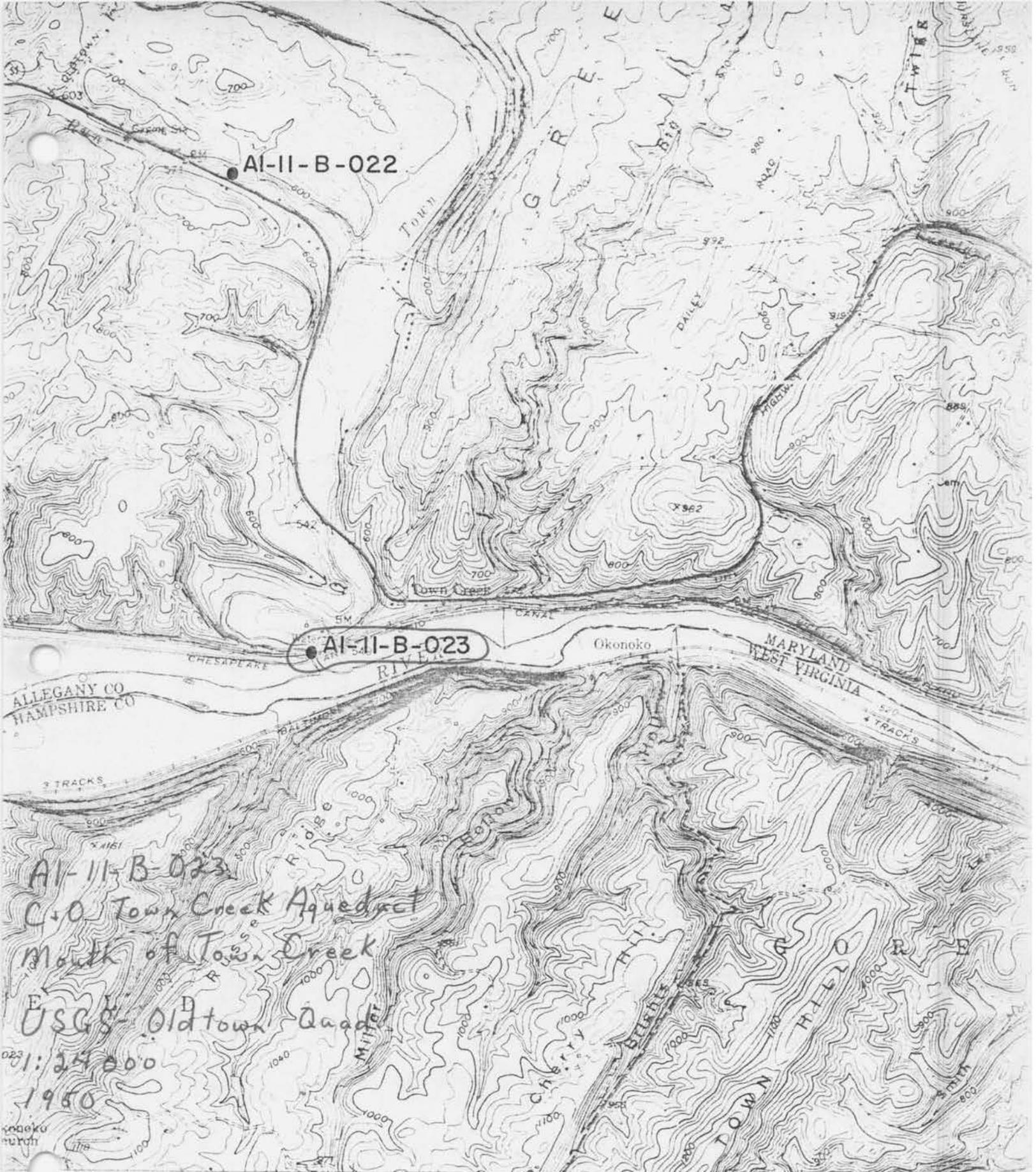
PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()

CHIMNEYS: NUMBER _____ BRICK() STONE() CORBELLED() original() replaced()
LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior()

ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

- Use -
- Significance -
- Date Constructed - 1840's
- Condition - water being repaired



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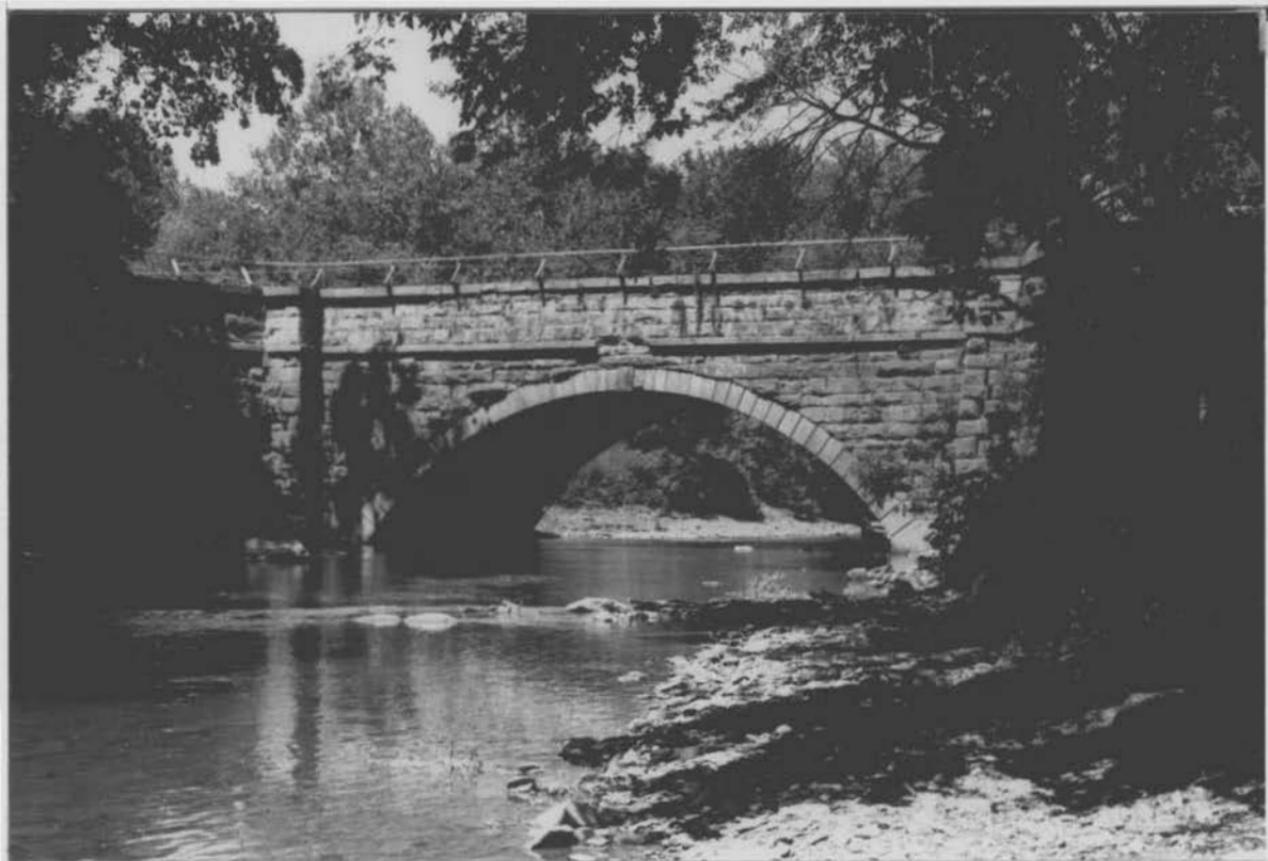


● = SITE LOCATION

ROAD CLASSIFICATION
 Heavy-duty ——— 4 LANE 6 LANE Light duty
 Medium-duty ——— 4 LANE 6 LANE Unimproved dirt
 □ U.S. Route ○ State Route

INTERIOR-GEOLOGICAL SURVEY WASHINGTON D.C. 20540
 1:13,000 N.E. 2,280,000 FEET (W. VA.)

POINTS 6.5 MI



C+D Aquaduct # 10

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Mouth of Town Creek

John E. Nelson

8/20/76

North