

Survey No. F-8-112

Ca. 1820-1850; 1909

Buckey's Mill Survey District

Johnsville, Maryland

Private

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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 A.D.
Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930 A.D.

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

Resource Type:
Category: District

Environment: Rural

Function & Use: Domestic/single dwelling/residence
Industry/Processing/Extraction/manufacturing
facility/mill

Known Design Source: None

MARYLAND HISTORIC
HISTORIC PROPERTY

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

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Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Buckey's Mill Survey District

and/or common Simpson's Mill

2. Location

street & number 12641-12714 Simpson's Mill Road not for publication

city, town Johnsville vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input checked="" 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	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<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 (See Section 7 for Ownership)

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

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

street & number 100 W. Patrick St. folio

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 _____

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

Contributing Resource Count: 10

(Typed on separate sheet)

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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates Ca. 1820–Ca.1850; 1909 **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.

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7.1 Description

The Buckey's Mill Survey District is a group of two late 19th century residences and associated outbuildings centered on a 1908 mill building located on the south bank of Little Pipe Creek, the boundary between Frederick and Carroll Counties about 3 miles north of Johnsville, Frederick County, Maryland. The frame mill is a replacement of an earlier mill which burned. Associated with the two dwellings are a stone and frame barn possibly built in the second quarter of the 19th century, a small frame barn of the last quarter, a frame circular chicken house of the late 19th or early 20th century, three sheds, and a corncrib also from the late 19th century.

Following are brief descriptions of the contributing resources:

12714 Simpson's Mill Road: This is a two story frame, 1887 house with five bays on its north elevation and two bays on the east and west elevations. A one-story porch extends across the north elevation and a one-story shed addition covers the rear or south elevation. The exterior is covered in vinyl siding and the standing seam metal roof is a recent replacement. The double doors at the entrance on the north elevation have glazed center panels. Windows are 1/1 on the first story and 6/6 on the second. All are flanked by shutters. The chimneys are at each interior gable end and are rebuilt above the roof. Associated with the house is a frame shed housing tractors, horse stalls, and a calf shed, located southwest of the house and a frame cow barn on the north side of Simpsons Mill Road northwest of the house. Both have vertical siding and appear to date from about 1900.

Buckey's Mill: The mill was burned in 1908 and was rebuilt in 1909. A panel in the stone base at the southwest corner reads "E.A.C. Buckey Built 1909." The frame structure has a gambrel roof and three dormers in the east and west sides. The south elevation has three bays and a center entrance with a loading door on the second story. The original clapboards are covered with vinyl and the roof is corrugated sheet metal. The topography drops away toward the north, exposing the stone base on that elevation. In the mid-1950's, a concrete block addition was built adjoining the mill on the east elevation. The mill is now a vinyl and aluminum siding company.

12641 Simpson's Mill Road: This circa 1850 dwelling was probably a tenant house associated with the mill proeprty built in its earliest section, a stone portion of the rear ell, in about 1820. The principal elevation of the house faces west and has a three-bay facade with a cross-gable and round-arched window. The one-story porch has cast iron supports. The exterior siding is clapboard except on the first story of the west elevation which is covered with vinyl. The sash is 2/2 on the first story and 6/6 on the second. The gable ends have two bays and interior end chimneys. The rear ell is partly stone and partly log, as revealed on the north elevation and northeast corner. The south side of the ell has a two-story porch with chamfered posts and a segmental arch trim at the cornice. Domestic outbuildings include a circular tongue and groove-sided chicken house with corrugated metal roof, possibly dating from the late 19th century and two frame non-contributing sheds.

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7.2 Description (continued)

Stone barn and agricultural outbuildings: Located about 50 yards south of 12641 Simpson's Mill Road is a stone bank barn with a frame east elevation above the forebay. A vented frieze of plain vertical strips extends across the top of the vertical wood siding on the east elevation. Vent slits on the north and south stone gable ends are arranged in an irregular pattern. A concrete paneled silo is located near the southwest corner. The barn roof is standing seam tin. The forebay is partially enclosed to form a milking parlor. The arched stone side doorway to the forebay at the northeast corner is filled in with concrete block. Northeast of the barn are two adjoining frame sheds, very deteriorated, with roofs partially collapsed. A corn crib just north of the sheds has double sides and is used as a tractor shed with sliding doors across the west elevation. The stone barn may date from about the 1830's and the corn crib and sheds appear to be of the last quarter of the 19th century.

Ownership:

12714 Simpson's Mill Road, Buckey's Mill, and small barn: Richard W. Feev,
12714 Simpson's Mill Road, Keymar, MD 21757

12641 Simpson's Mill Road, stone barn, and agricultural outbuildings: Joan K.
Cox et. al., Box 35, Keymar, MD 21757

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Buckey's Mill appears on both the 1858 Isaac Bond Map of Frederick County and the 1873 C.O. Titus Atlas of Frederick County. It may be identical in location with Warfield's Mill, indicated by symbol on the 1808 Varle Map of Frederick and Washington Counties. Mills of the early 20th century are becoming scarce in Frederick County. The other documented example is the Glade Valley Mill (F-8-65), a large, 4-story building with much of its machinery in place, located on a railroad line. Small remote mills such as Buckey's Mill are less likely to be preserved.

CARROLL COUNTY

Little Pipe Creek

Barn
[C]
Mill
A
1956 add.

[B] 12641

[] []
NO outbuildings

FREDERICK
COUNTY

12714
[C]

[C]
Shed

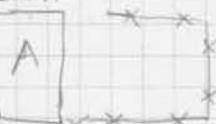
[C] chicken house

Agricultural
Fields

[B] corn crib

[A]
[C] } deteriorated sheds

Stone
Barn



Agricultural Fields

SIMPSON'S MILL ROAD

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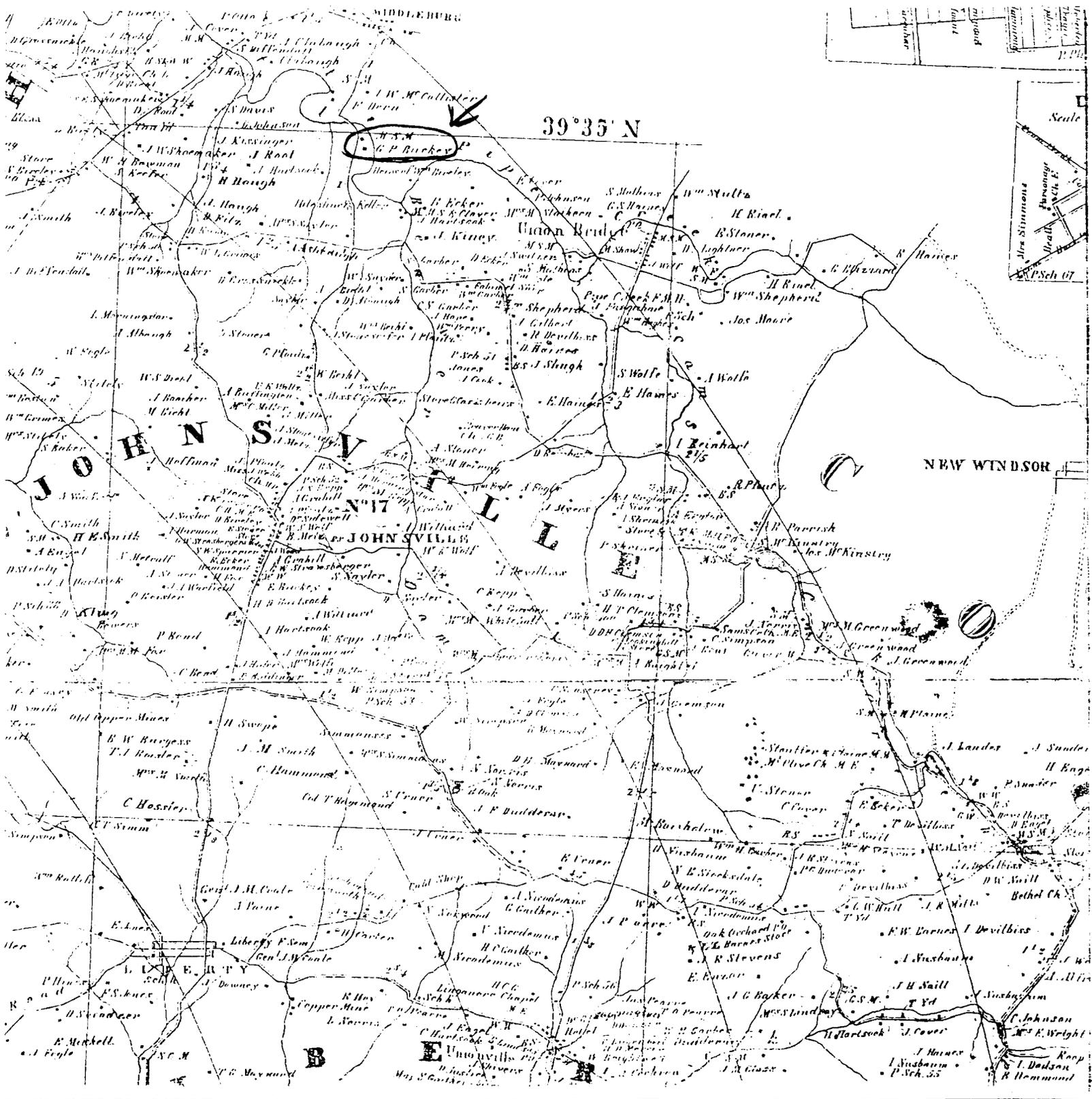
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Janet Davis
June 21, 1991

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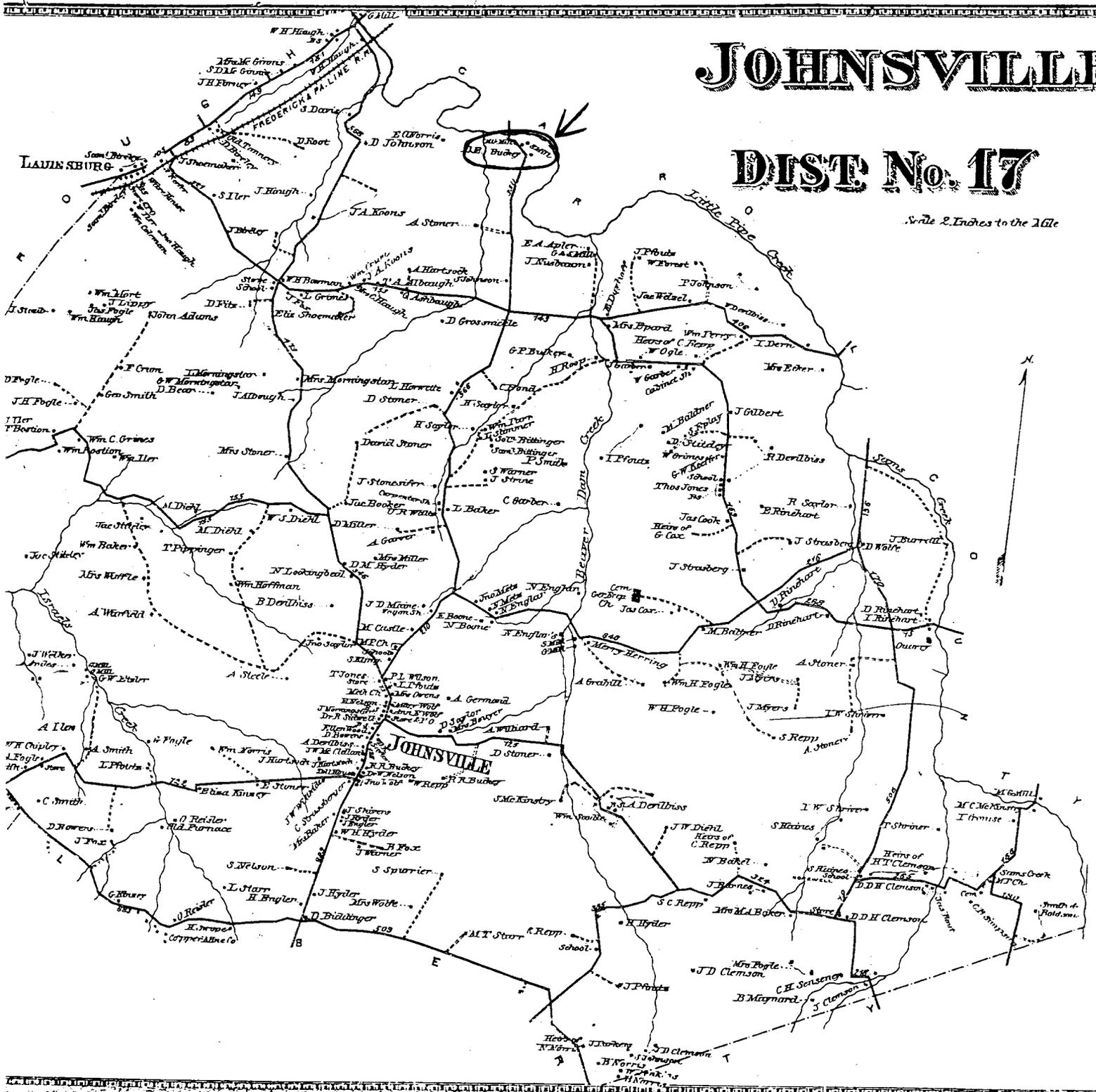


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 Bucker's Mill Survey District
 Frederick County
 Isaac Bond, Map of Frederick County, 1858

JOHNSVILLE

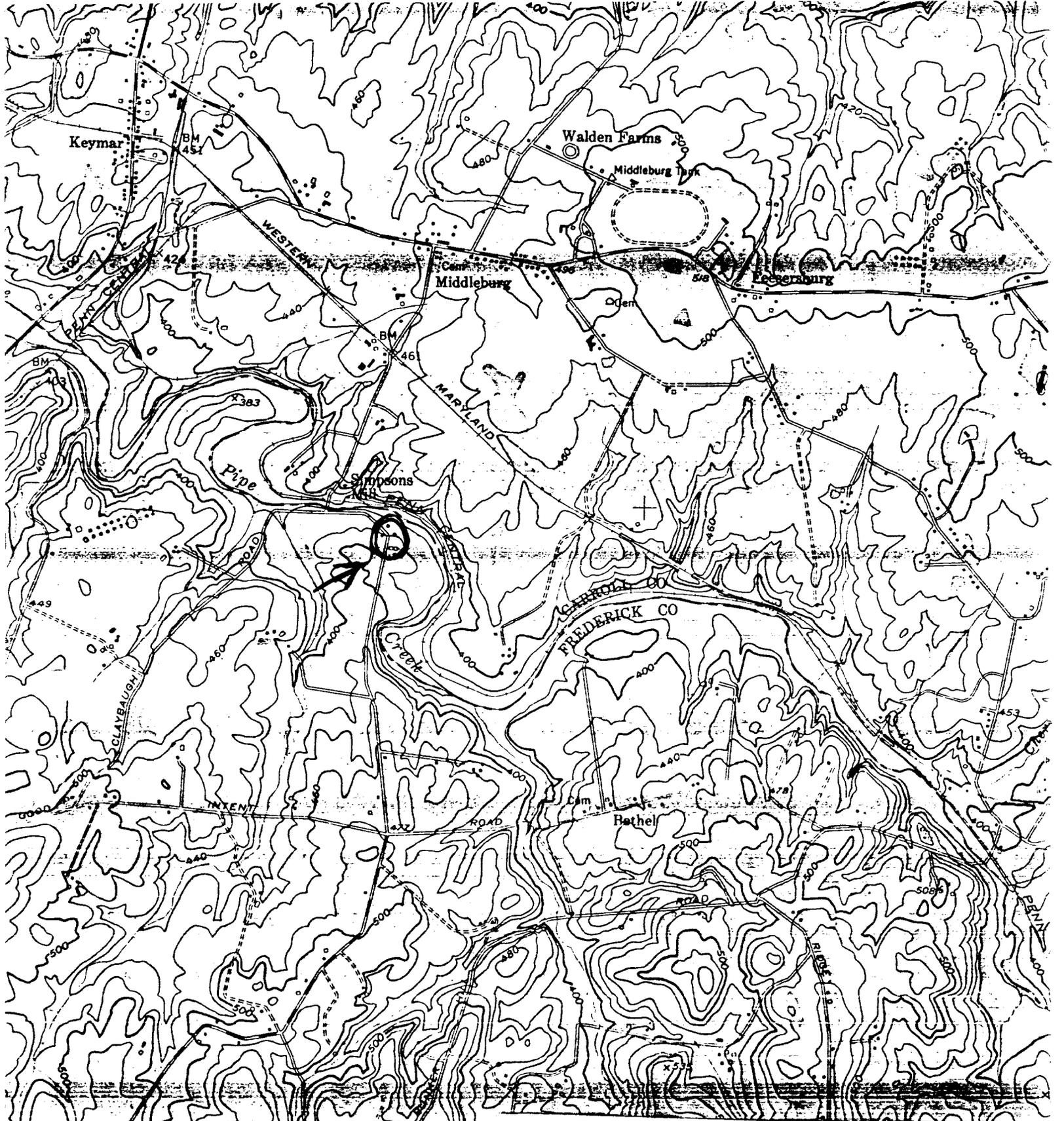
DIST No. 17

Scale 2 Inches to the Mile



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C.O. Titus, Atlas of Frederick County, 1873



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Frederick County
USGS Union Bridge, Maryland
1:24000



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Frederick County

Photo: Janet Davis

June 1991

Neg. loc.: Md. SHPO, Crownsville, Md.

General view east on Simpson's Mill Road

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Buckey's Mill, southwest corner view

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12714 Simpson's Mill Road, north elevation

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12641 Simpson's Mill Road, Northwest
corner view

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12641 Simpson's Mill Road, south elevation
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Stone barn and outbuildings, view from
north

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Stone barn, east elevation detail

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