

Survey # WA-I-639

Approximate date C. 1850-1860

Street Address northwest corner, East Baltimore and High Streets

Town, State Funkstown, Maryland 21734

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Description:

The place known as the Keller House is a two story, three bay brick house with a common bond facade. Windows have six over one light sash beneath wide wooden lintels. First story windows have pairs of shutters with four panels each while second story windows have pairs of louvered shutters. The main entrance is located in the east bay of the front elevation and includes a broad diamond pane transom above the door and vertical sidelights. At the eaves is a prominent cornice with brackets.

This house is significant for its role as a principal hospital site during the Battle of Funkstown which occurred on July 10, 1863. Joseph R. Stonebraker, author of A Rebel of '61 was nearly hit by sniper fire while watching the battle from the attic of this house. The owner of the house, Solomon J. Keller, a Confederate sympathizer, was taken prisoner briefly in 1862. According to the 1877 Atlas map, Solomon J. Keller was still on the property in 1877.

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland

II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Agricultural-Industrial Transition 1815-1870 A.D.

III. Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architectural/Landscape Architecture/Community Planning

IV. Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Domestic/single dwelling

Known Design Source: Vernacular, Greek Revival influence

Photo Reference: Photo # 115

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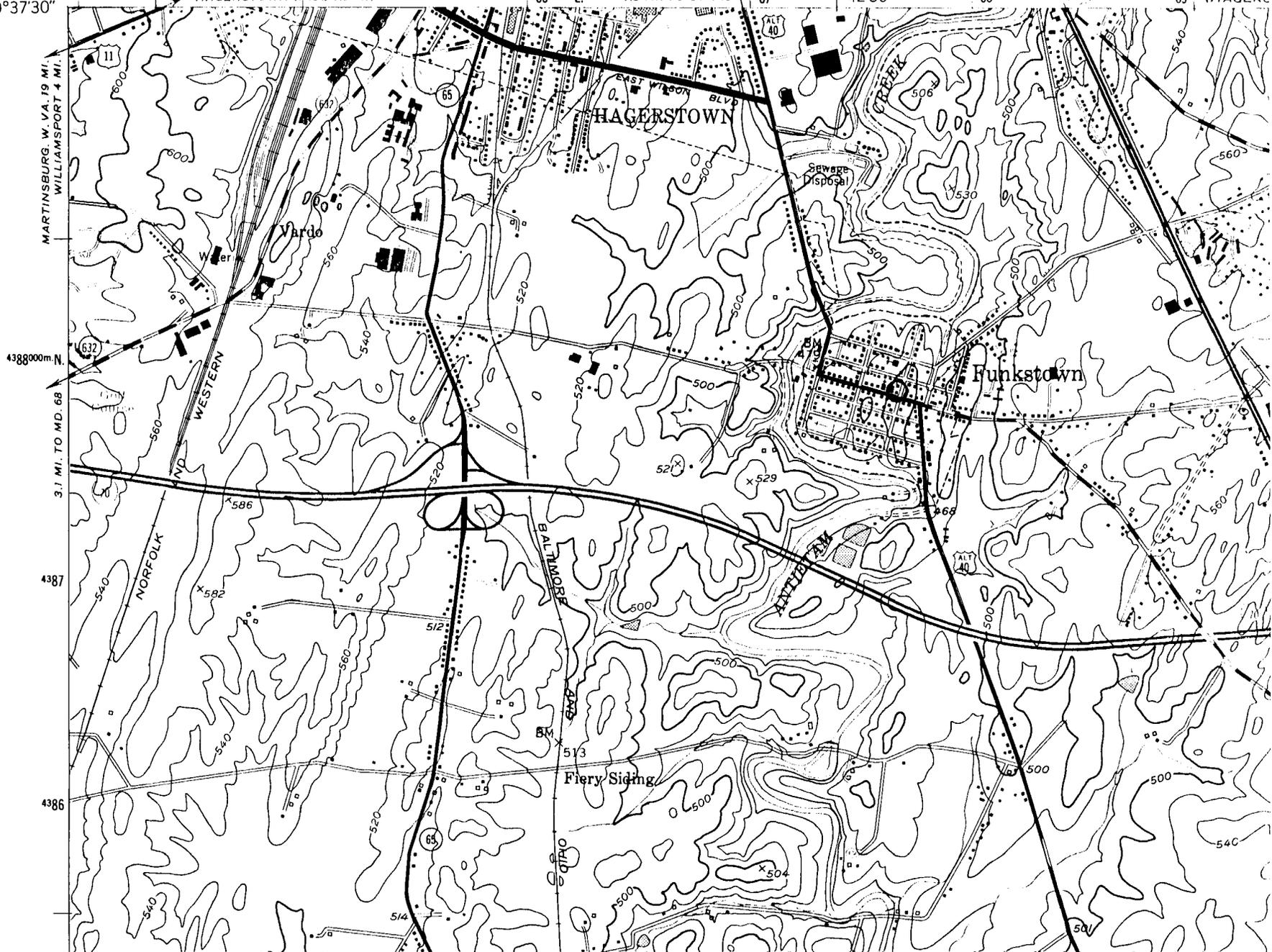
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HANCOCK 28 MI.
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