



THE KEENAN HOUSE

The Keenan (or Canaan) House was built sometime before the Civil War in the section of Monongahela City originally called Georgetown which was laid out in 1807 by Adam Wickerham on part of his farm. In 1816, the property owners reluctantly allowed their hamlet to be annexed to Williamsport, a growing village laid out in 1792 by Joseph Parkinson on the adjacent farm. The half dozen Greek Revival houses along West Main Street are the last remnants of Whickerham's town planning efforts. They still set the block between Fifth and Sixth Streets apart from the rest of Main Street. The Keenan house features a five bay facade, a standing seam tin roof, Flemish bond brick walls, brick dentils across the top of the facade, and wood purlins in the pedimented gable ends. The windows are double hung, six panes over six, with shutters. The door has a pediment, fluted pilasters, and a keystone fanlight with fifteen lights separated by curved muntins. There is a clapboard wood wing to the rear.