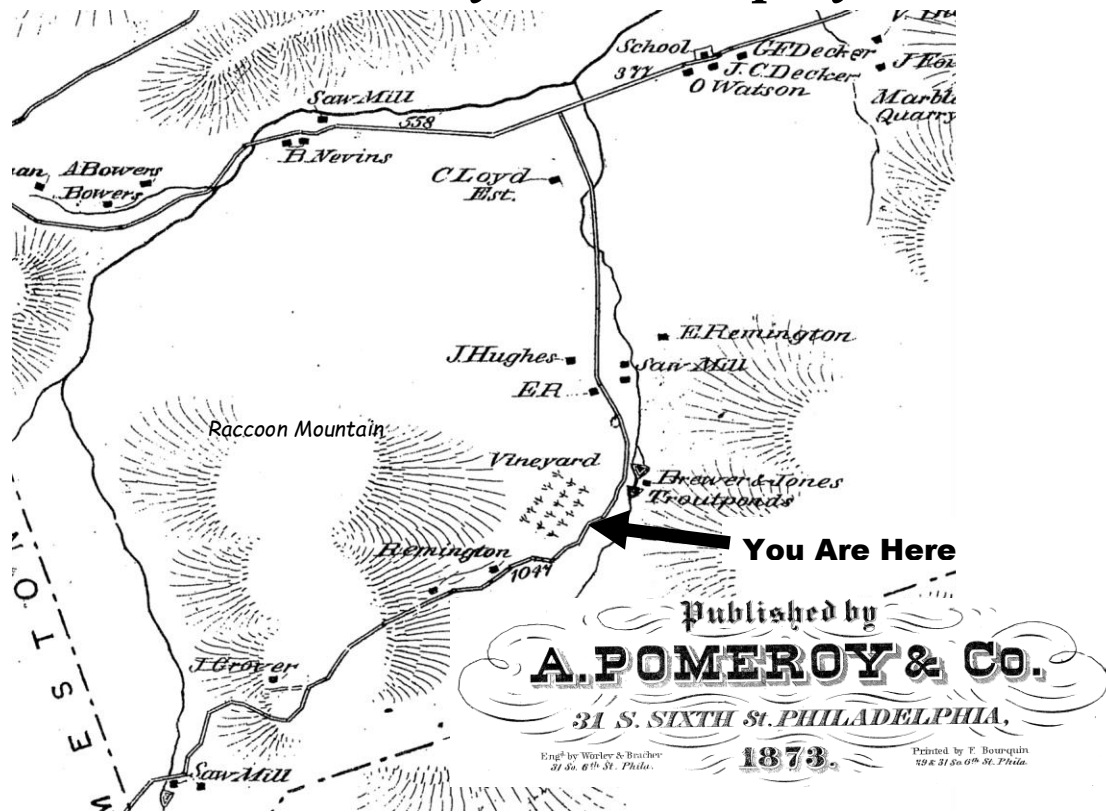


4 The Vineyard or Grapery



Just up the hillside of Raccoon Mountain for the next half mile up this road, one can notice a series of stone terraces which are the remnants of a vineyard operation. In his 1962 "Mosquito Valley Chronicles," Eugene Bertin takes the reader on a walk up Remington Run Road as it appeared in the late 1800s:

The Vineyard

" In 1878, five years after the panic of 1873, it appears that a group of men organized a vineyard in Mosquito Valley on a commercial basis. Entering into the agreement were Edward Remington, John G. Reading, Mahlon Fisher, Frank Reading, Miram Mudge, and William Emery.

The property comprised two pieces of land, one of 20 acres, and another smaller plot—both originally owned by Mr. Remington. In fact, there is reason to believe the land was part of the Remington homestead.

The enterprise was called the Quaker Valley Grape Company and evidently prospered for a time.

However, in 1881, because of debts due to the company and by the company, John G. Reading yielded his share in the company to his co-partner Edward Remington.

Whether the company continued after this transaction is not known, although I would lean to the belief that it did—knowing the business record of the Remingtons."

For more information, please visit the wmwa-wsa.org website and click on [Watershed/History](#).

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