11. The Rocks The tiny village of Middleburg which can serve as a provisioning source for the hiker has a high, nearly vertical, west facing slope at the eastern edge of the village. A woodsy lane climbs the edge of this cliff heading northward. Excellent views of the village, Vrooman's Nose, the Schoharie Flats and river can be seen from the top of the cliff. The rock forming this cliff is also made of Hamilton Shale and Sandstone, is fossiliferous and quite hard. In a northeasterly direction the summit of this edge of the valley was called Dutch Billy's Hill although nowadays its name is Cotton Hill.