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## DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Sylvanus Mulford House is located at the corner of Church and Cherry Streets in Montrose, Susquehanna County. This frame, lapped siding, salt-box house has a stone foundation and measures approximately 40 feet by 47 feet. A one story, frame addition connects the house with the barn at the rear of the house. As seen in an early daguerreotype taken before 1860, the covered walkway between the house and barn was not present.

The two story house has a full length front porch --- supported by four large square columns. This porch appears to date from the construction of the house as seen in early photographs and continuous roof supports discovered when the house was re-roofed in recent years. Two large brick chimneys extend from the roof at the roof ridge and three-fourth of the way down the rear slope of the roof. The house is six bays across the front with two identical doors. The doorways have fluted wooden pilasters supporting a overhanging wooden hood. The doors have four panels and four horizontal glass lights at the top. Above the door is a five pane fan light. There are two, 12 over 12 windows with louvered shutters on either side of the doors. The second story has four smaller 6 over 6 windows.

The right elevation, which faces Cherry Street has seven windows and one door on the first story. The first three are large 12 over 12 pane with louvered shutters. The door has two panels and two large panes. The next four windows, right of the door, are arranged in a set and are smaller 6 over 6. The connecting walkway has one door and one window. The second story has two 12 over 12 windows and one 6 over 6. The left elevation is the same as the right elevation except for three windows on the second story and a porch in the connecting section.

The interior is in excellent condition and retains original flooring, doors, and hardware. The fireplaces are original though some have been repaired. New electrical and heating systems have been added to the house. All the old horse hair plaster on the first floor walls except for one room, has been removed. There are fifteen rooms in the house although some are quite small.

The connected barn is a two story frame barn thought to have been built in 1856.

This house was surveyed by HABS in 1937 and is listed as number Pa. #215.

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SPECIFIC DATES

1818

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Sylvanus Mulford

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This rare Pennsylvania example of a New England saltbox house was built by Sylvanus Mulford in 1818. One of the early residents of this house was the Reverend Elisha Mulford, author of "The Nation" and "The Republic of God", two popular books of the early 1800's.

Sylvanus Mulford built his double house for use as a home and a store. At the same time Mulford was building his house, a young man from Massachusetts, Jesse Lyons, was looking for an area to settle and came to Montrose. Finding the area agreeable, he persuaded his four brothers, Nathan, Benjamin, Joel, and Lorenzo, to come to Montrose and settle. In 1835 when Mr. Mulford moved his business to Public Avenue, he sold his house to Jesse Lyons. From this purchase in 1835, the Lyons family has lived here until the death of John Lyons the son of Lorenzo in 1939.

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