

Musser-Reigart House
323 King Street
Lancaster
Lancaster County
Pennsylvania

HABS No. PA-373

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE PENNSYLVANIA		COUNTY LANCASTER	TOWN OR VICINITY LANCASTER
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) MUSSEY-REIGART HOUSE			HABS NO. PA-373
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 323 King Street (west side)			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) Ca. 1790 (east three bays) Ca. 1860 (west two bays)		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Probably Jasper Yeates, builder, for ca. 1790 section.	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The house is a two-house structure joined together in the mid-19th century. The original east section, dating ca. 1790, contains notable woodwork which was probably made by the same carpenter who built the Judge Charles Smith House (HABS No. PA-369). In 1825 General Lafayette visited then-owner Adam Reigart in the original part of the house.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Stuccoed stone scored to imitate ashlar; ell is of brick. Underneath wall material of original section not determined.			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) L-shaped. Main block five by two bays with three-bay ell. Two-and-a-half stories with two-story ell.			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Entire front facade carefully matched after joining of two houses; replacement pedimented frontispiece with brackets and keystone motif with recessed door; molded window frames with keystone motifs; dormers with gable roofs.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Arched entry with keystone motif in stairhall; fine dogleg stair with three balusters per step and Doric newel posts; fine interior woodwork in original section; imitation 18th century woodwork in new section.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Kitchen ell added.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE The stair is very similar in desing to the one at the Judge Charles Smith House, HABS No. PA-369. Both stairs were probably built by the same builder.			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)			
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