


OHIO HISTORIC INVENTORY CODED

Ohio Historic Preservation Office
Ohio Historical Center
Columbus, Ohio 43211

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1. No. But-311-4	4. Present Name(s) Samuel Augspurger Farm ✓
2. County Butler	5. Other Name(s)
3. Location of Negatives Trenton Historical Society	Christian Augspurger's Home Farm or "Christholm"

6. Specific Location R4, T1, Sec 18 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 2070 Woodsdale Road ✓	16. Thematic Category C, I	28. No. of Stories 2
7. City or Town If Rural, Township & Vicinity Madison Twp. Trenton vic. ✓	17. Date(s) or Period 1874	29. Basement? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
8. Site Plan with North Arrow 	18. Style or Design Amish/Mennonite house type	30. Foundation Material stone
	19. Architect or Engineer unknown	31. Wall Construction brick
9. Coordinates see continuation sheet Lat. _____ Long. _____ U.T.M. Reference 16 717400 7368940	20. Contractor or Builder unknown	32. Roof Type & Material truncated hip/
10. Zone _____ Easting _____ Northing _____ Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>	21. Original Use, if apparent residence	33. No. of Bays Front 5 Side 4
11. On National Register? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	22. Present Use residence	34. Wall Treatment common bonding
12. Is It Eligible? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	23. Ownership Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	35. Plan Shape squarish
13. Part of Estab. Hist. Dist.? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	24. Owner's Name & Address, if known Martin Farms, Inc. 2070 Woodsdale Road Trenton, Ohio	36. Changes (Explain in #42) N/A Addition <input type="checkbox"/> Altered <input type="checkbox"/> Moved <input type="checkbox"/>
14. District Potent'l? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	25. Open to Public? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	37. Condition Interior poor Exterior poor
15. Name of Established District N/A	26. Local Contact Person or Organization Doris Page	38. Preservation Underway? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16. Further Description of Important Features This elegant house has a central entrance hall with open stairway. There are flat stone lintels and sills at the 2/2 DHS. A shed roofed porch spans the facade, as sketched in the 1875 Atlas. A most unusual wide arched recessed entrance is to the rear. The bracketed cornice is deteriorating. A one story bay juts out from the NW corner of the house.	27. Other Surveys in Which Included none known	39. Endangered? By What? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> zoned for industry
17. History and Significance This land is "Christholm", the home farm of Christian Augspurger. He came here in 1829 along the west bank of the Great Miami River and built his home which burned in 1873. The farm was willed to Samuel, Christian's son, in 1849. Samuel owned another house in Woodsdale and was one of the major stockholders of the Beckett Paper Company. He also invested in the Miami-Erie Canal, turnpikes, dams across the river and was part owner of the Augspurger grist and saw mill in Woodsdale. Fire destroyed the Beckett Paper Co.	28. Description of Environment and Outbuildings in 1880, and soon Samuel was bankrupt. The big bank barn with the stone foundation and overhanging main floor, as sketched in the 1875 Atlas, remains. Behind the house is an unusual building with first floor of brick and overhanging second story of frame. Inside is a brick bake oven. The Augspurger Cemetery is across the road is the county landfill. All three buildings contribute back here.	40. Visible from Public Road? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
18. Sources of Information Atlases of Butler County, 1836, 1855, 1875, 1895, 1914. <u>Biographical History of Butler County, 1882.</u> <u>Mennonites of Butler County, 1916.</u> "The House on College Hill", 1891-1913. "The Beckett Paper Mill", a Hamilton paper dated c. 1880	41. Prepared by Doris Page MAB	41. Distance from and Frontage on Road
	42. Organization Trenton Hist. Society.	42. Further Description of Important Features (continued)
	43. Date 2/81	43. History and Significance (continued)
	44. Revision Date(s) 11/82	44. Description of Environment and Outbuildings (continued)



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The cemetery contributes to the setting of the Christholm through its historical association with the Amish/Mennonite settlement. The cemetery is the burial place for the founders of the settlement, Christian and Catherine Augspurger.



CHRISTIAN AUGSPURBER AMISH/MENNONITE SETTLEMENT OF BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO

Verbal Boundary and Description
Samuel Augspurger Farm
Christian Augspurger's Home Farm - "Christholm" (#11)

Beginning at Woodsdale Road at Point A where a small run and a fencerow separate the farms on either side, proceed in a northwesterly direction along the fencerow for about 650 feet until Point B. Turn at about a 110° angle to move for about 700 feet across the farm yard to include the barn, summer kitchen and cemetery. Turn at Point C in a 90° angle to proceed toward the Woodsdale Road for about 800 feet to Point D. Follow the road's north side until Point A is reached.

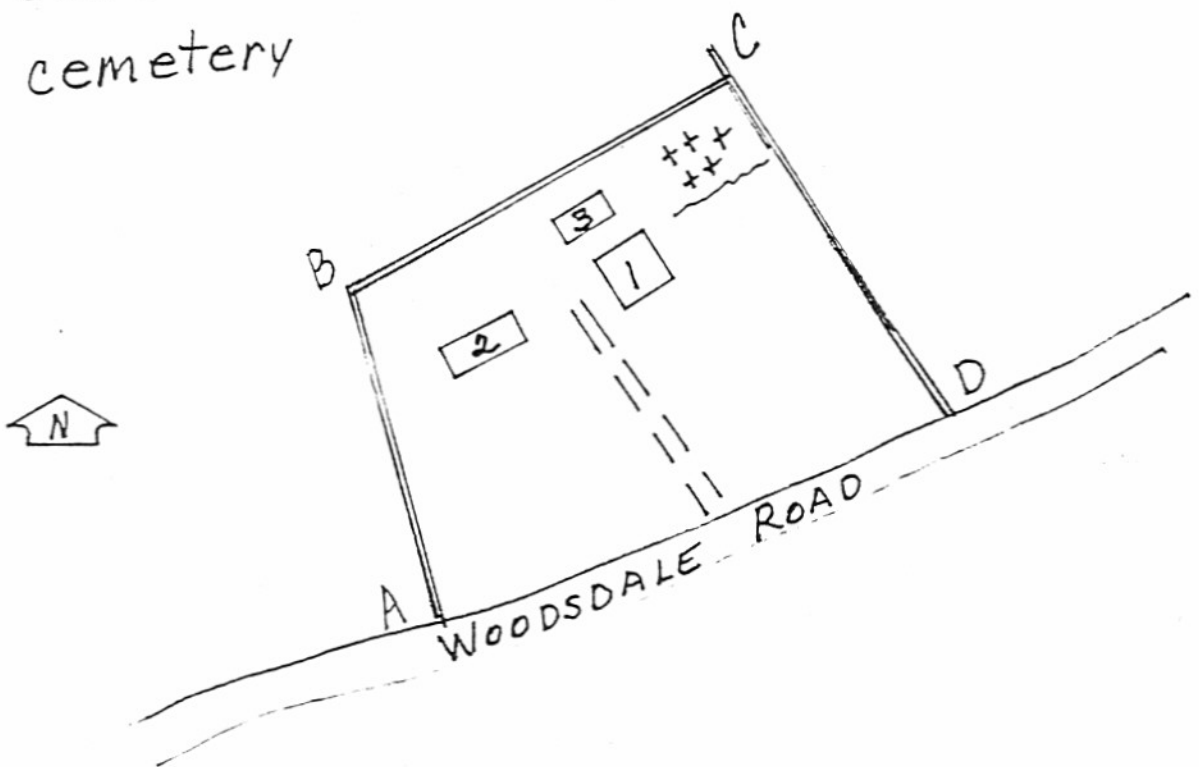
Approximately 12 acres

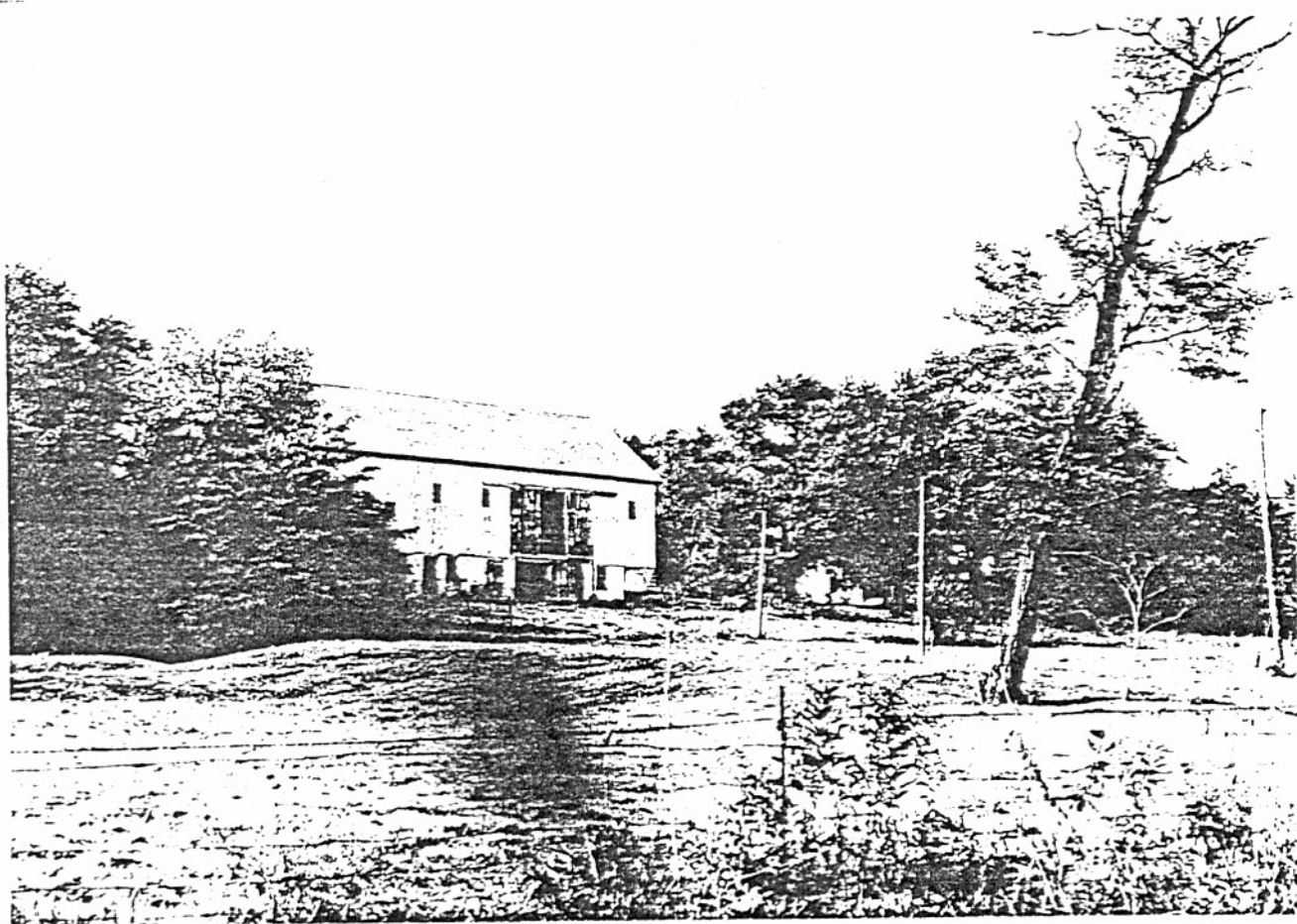
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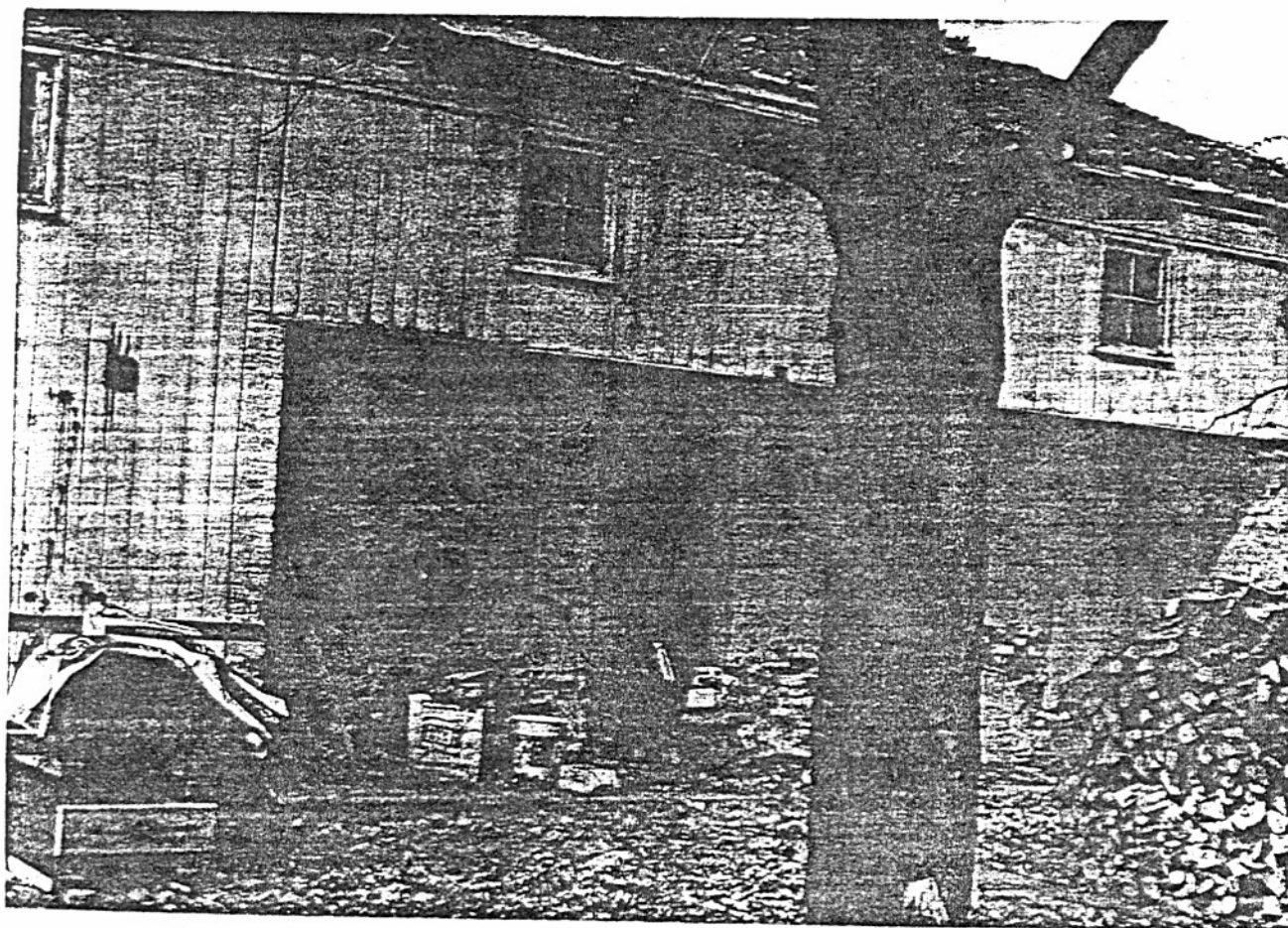
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- B) 16 718460 4368999
- C) 16 718580 4368860
- D) 16 718450 4368780

Contributing Buildings

- 1 house with wine cellan
- 2 barn
- 3 summer kitchen and bake oven
- +++ cemetery
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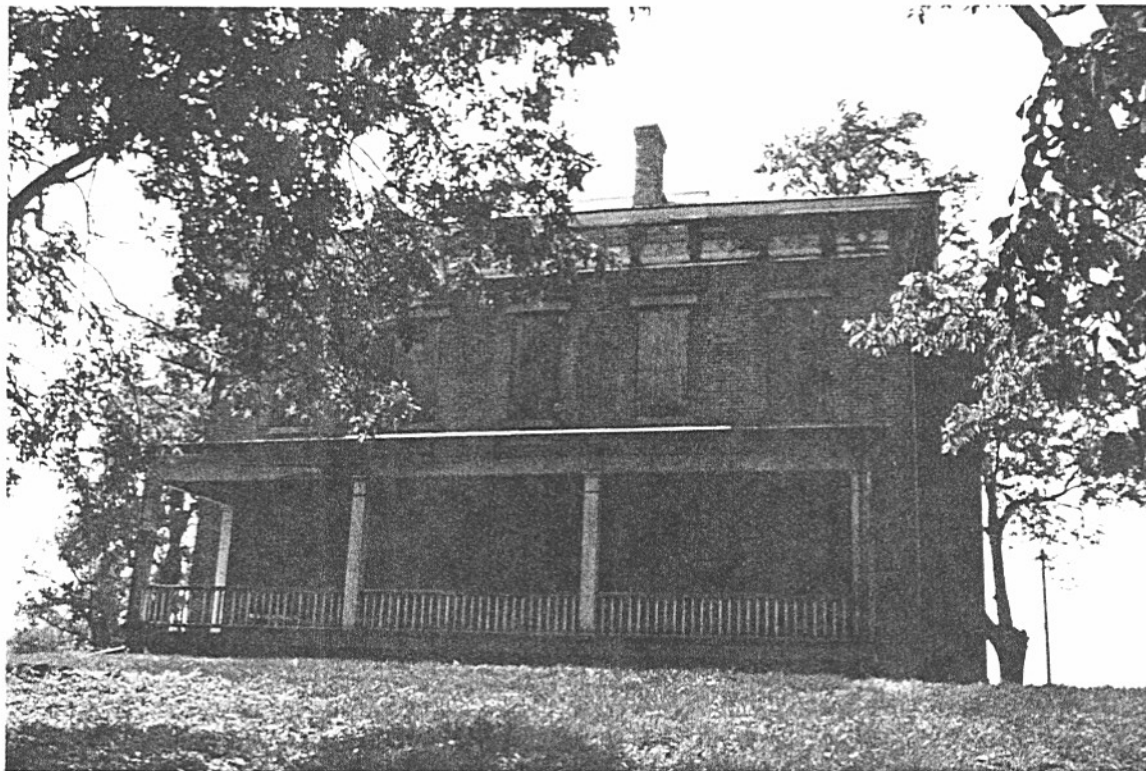


Photo-1 View of the front facade of the house with the porch spanning the entire front.

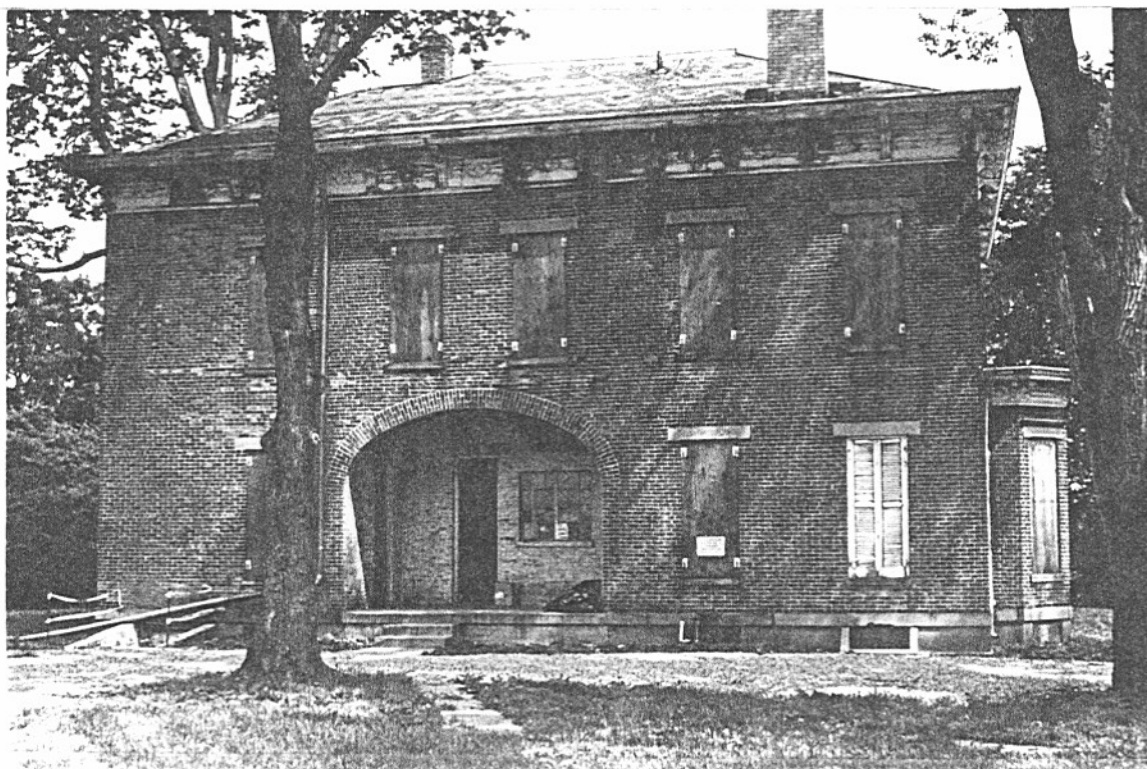


Photo-2 View of the rear facade of the house with opening to recessed porch.

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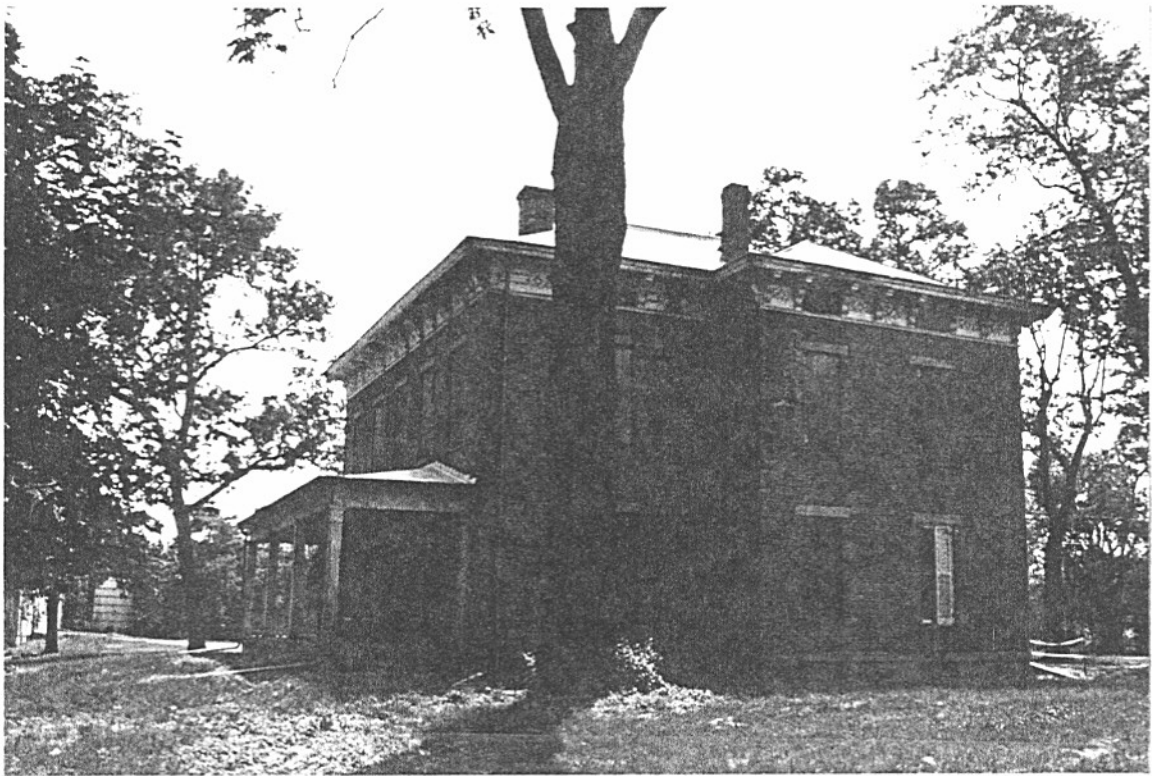


Photo-3 Side view of the building showing the offset.

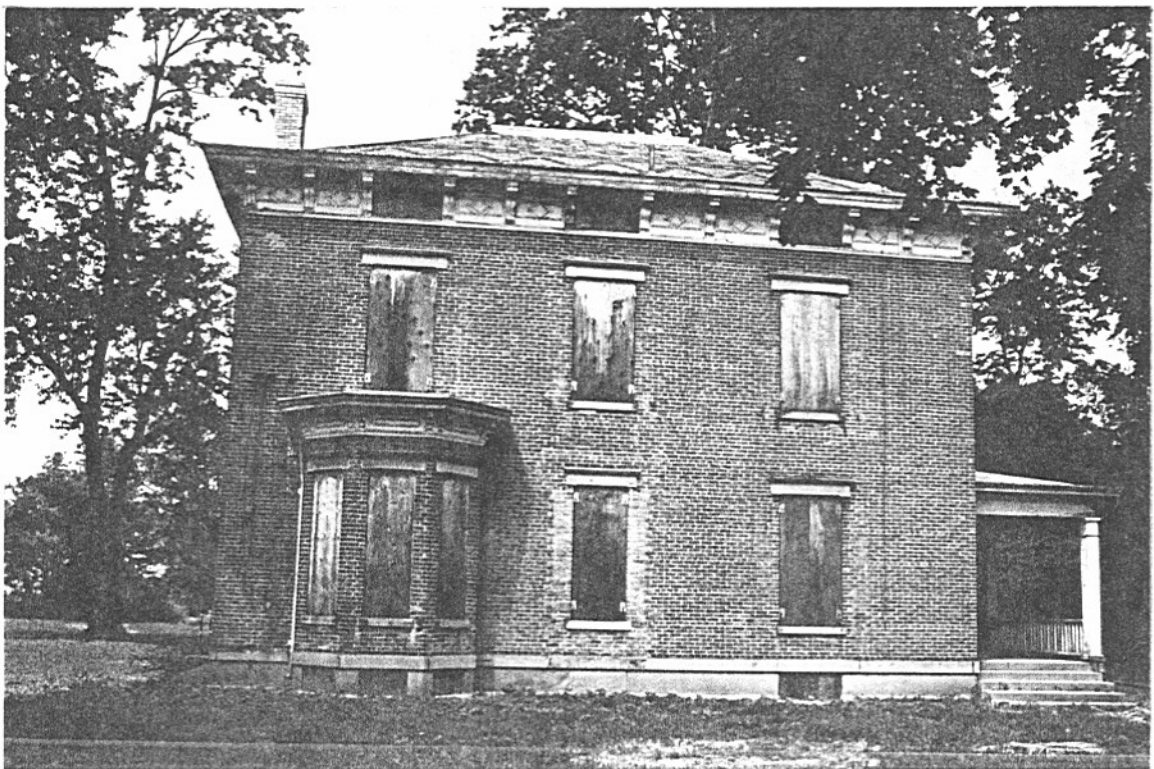


Photo-4 View of the other side with the bay window.