



Mansion House

The Mansion House or Andress home has been a pictorial landmark of Hainesburg for many years. Approaching this once productive settlement by railroad, the Andress home was indeed a breath-taking vision. It's castle-like structure amidst a combined countryside and once flourishing town was a welcome sight to frequent visitors. Joseph Andress and his family once lived in and owned the Mansion House. It was believed built by Andrew Smith in the early 1800's. In addition to this house Mr. Andress also owned and operated two stores in Hainesburg.

The Hainesburg Inn, formerly the Mansion House, is now owned and operated by Matthew and Michael McCorkle of Prairie Chicken, Inc.



Mathez House

A hand carved stone, situated on the front wall, dates the building of this home back to 1789. It is believed that the lower field of this farm is the same in which some colonists lost their cavalry horses in 1765 when a flash flood occurred during the night. Morris Hillyerd, the owner during the 1920's, remembers the old slate roof, the heavy plaster walls, and hauling in water from the pump outside the kitchen. Water was heated on the iron stove and perishables were stored down in the dirt cellar. Mr. Hillyerd purchased the house from the D. L. & W. railroad which had acquired it as part of the right-of-way for building the viaduct. Two generations of the Weber Family owned it during which time some rebuilding was done. Today Mr. Edmond Mathez and his family reside on this scenic property overlooking the Paulins Kill.

Hainesburg

Hainesburg is on the Paulins Kill, four miles from the Delaware River. As a town, it dates back to 1843 when the Beck brothers acquired and surveyed the site which Andrew Smith had owned for 30 years. Hainesburg was originally known as Sodom, but the first post office was given its present name in honor of John Haines, who made a liberal donation to the school. In the hey-day of railroading, the Hainesburg Station was the junction of the Susquehanna and the Lehigh and New England railroads. This now small town took credit at one time for having a blacksmith shop, a wheelwright shop, a post office, two stores, a Hotel, a Church, a school, a tannery, a grain mill, and even a brewery. Hainesburg at the present time is a quiet, residential town.



Hainesburg Hotel

At the right of the picture, Joseph Andress is sitting on the porch. George L. Andress is on the steps with his mother behind him. The other people in the picture are not identified. The Hainesburg Hotel burned down in about 1912. It stood just south of the present Hainesburg Inn.

Warrington

In 1807, the Knowlton Mills Post Office marked the village we now know as Warrington. Over the years, the name was changed to Kill Mills [1865], Warrenton, Warrington and even Fleatown in 1877. By 1881, the inhabitants were busy working a grist mill, a tavern, the slate works, a store and a railroad depot of the Blainstown Railway. At one point in it's history an E. Frothingham of Scranton purchased 80 acres, the mill, and the slate factory with it's fine waterpower, for \$8000.00 from John Titman. According to the Blainstown Press of May, 1892, it was to be transformed into a summer paradise with gushing fountains, dancing pavillions, merry-go-rounds "keep off the grass" signs, and all the fixtures of a first-class country resort. The bustle and industry have disappeared, leaving fading traces but a beautiful countryside for present residents and travelers to enjoy.



Van Orden's Home

Before Mr. Daniel Beard owned and operated a restaurant, store and post office from this building, it served as a stage coach stop for weary travelers. It is now the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Orden.