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BA-557 **GORSUCH MILL HOUSE** - 1857-1875 - (North side of) 16710 Gorsuch Mill Road, just east of Falls Road. Large stone and frame house, two stories in west or frame section and three stories in stone (east) section; vernacular style; gable roofing. Set in a bend of the road in a heavily shaded location; this seems to be the location of a one-story frame house of John McComisky's mentioned in the 1798 tax list and the 1800 election district bounds, but no house appears at stream crossing on 1850 or 1857 maps. This was the dwelling for the Bayview or Gorsuch Mill, a frame structure built after the time of Sidney's 1850 map; the mill first appeared in the 1877 atlas; the works were listed in the 1918 tax ledger but was marked as "abated" in an entry of 1920. One millstone survives on dwelling grounds. Owner: Wilhelmina Wielich.

BA-558 **L.L. LEWIS, JR. HOUSE** -1850-1875 - (Off north side) 16758 Gorsuch Mill Road, 0.2 mile east of Falls Road. The J. Royston house of 1877 atlas. Two-story stone house built in two increments of 2 and 4 bays. Three chimneys, west chimney being an inside-end-type, the east chimney an outside-end type; third chimney between two segments of house. Vernacular style. Gable roof. BCPL has 1930s photo by William Kenney when John D. Newson owned it. Owner: Leroy L. Lewis.

BA-559 **ELDER HOUSE** - Before 1850 (1804?) - (Southwest side of) 17700 Falls Road, 0.8 mile north of intersection of Mount Carmel Road, White House vicinity. Brick house, 5 bays wide, formerly owned by Parlett family, later by Mr. and Mrs. William Voss Elder, Jr., and in 1978 being acquired by Warner Minetree. House has large walk-in basement fireplace. Two-story house in Federal style; gable roof, high stone basement. Red barn adjoining on north. A resident of the area, age 99 in 1877, claimed to have been born in the house; it is possibly the Henry Hoover house of 1850 map, although no structure was shown here in 1877 atlas. Property contains abandoned bed of Falls Road, with an old SRC bridge built by pouring concrete on a stone bridge put up by turnpike company in 19th Century. Mr. Minetree finds that the house was an inn about 1804. Former Owner: William V. Elder, Jr. Owner: Warner Minetree.

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