

Then... and Now

Valley Forge Road and Mount Joy

Lucy Sampson was a prolific photographer active around 1900. The Society Archives hold a number of her photos. Note the new observation tower on Mount Joy built in 1909¹. One building can be seen in the field at the turn of the road. There were once a number of buildings in the field, which was part of the Valley Forge Farm at the time.

¹Lorett Treese. *Valley Forge: Making and Remaking a National Symbol*. (Pennsylvania State University Press, 1995)



Valley Forge Rd. approaching Mount Joy, circa 1910, in a photo from the TEHS Archives. As seen on the map on p. 97, the road was known as Centreville Rd. at that time. The peak of the observation tower is barely visible at top center. *Photographer: Lucy Sampson.*



Photographer: Mike Bertram, 2008.