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Form 10-445 (5)

1. STATE Maryland  
 COUNTY Allegany  
 TOWN Cumberland VICINITY  
 STREET NO. Mechanic & Market Streets  
 ORIGINAL OWNER  
 ORIGINAL USE Public market  
 PRESENT OWNER  
 PRESENT USE  
 WALL CONSTRUCTION  
 NO. OF STORIES

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY  
 INVENTORY AL-78

2. NAME PUBLIC MARKET HOUSE  
 DATE OR PERIOD ca 1795  
 STYLE  
 ARCHITECT  
 BUILDER

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC

FIRST MARKET in Cumberland was located on the southwest corner of Mechanic and Market streets.

1795--Maryland law provided that the market should be conducted and controlled by market regularions. Act, 1795, Chapter 18 General Assembly of Maryland

1835--the Commissioners were appointed to select and purchase a more central location for a public market, a part of which was to be used as a watch-house. Lowdermilk, p.366

1843--Market House construction cost \$1,700. Lowdermilk, p.350

1844-May 13--Deed recorded, Liber EE, Folio 488--Land from Richard Beall estate to Town of Cumberland.

1854--May 10--(99year lease or payment of \$3,870) for land between Liberty Street on West and Centre on East--"along the line of the old MARKET HOUSE. Liber 11, Folio 408 (City of Gumberland from Asa Beall estate) "

1872--Acquired balance of land for MARKET and CITY HALL Act, 1872-Chapter 418.

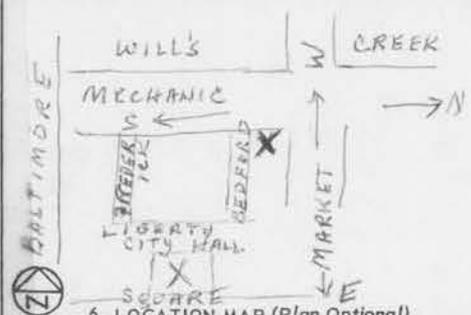
1874--MARKET and CITY HALL construction commenced.

1876--MARKET HOUSE and CITY HALL completed, Jamed B. Walton, contractor.

1910--Above building destroyed by fire, Mar. 14, 1910.

1912--Present City Hall dedicated--no Market House added.

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered Interior Exterior



6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)  
 INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.  
 Court records--H.S.H.  
 Lowdermilk History-Cumberland  
 Data on file-Allegany County  
 Historical Society--H.G.H.

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER  
 Hazel Groves Hansrote, Chairman  
 Maryland Historical Trust  
 Sec. Preservation Society  
 Allegany County, Md.  
 Oct. 8, 1970  
 DATE OF RECORD

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND PHOTO PHS MAY BE ADDED ON SHEET OF SAME SIZE