

CAPSULE SUMMARY
31 East Street
AA-1791

The single-family dwelling at 31 East Street was one of a row of three modest-sized frame residences built 1890-1891. The row of dwellings follows a building form or pattern that is typical of the late 19th-century residential architecture of Annapolis, and that can also be found in sections of other southern towns and cities, such as Alexandria, and Foggy Bottom in Washington, D.C.

The single-family dwelling at 31 East Street is western end building of the group of three, attached rowhouses located on the south side of East Street, between Prince George and King George streets. The two-story, two-bay dwelling is set upon a rebuilt raised brick foundation and is covered with a sloped roof. The dwelling features a flat-fronted facade clad with stucco and is characterized by its Italianate-style bracketed cornice. The cornice, with incised detailing, continues across the row of three dwellings, providing ornament to the otherwise undecorative facades.

In 1908, shortly after the erection of the dwelling, it was purchased by an Italian immigrant who was a musician with the Navy band; the building remained in the same family until the 1940s when it was purchased by another Italian family.

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Inventory No. AA-1791

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1. Name of Property

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historic name _____
common/other name 31 East Street

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2. Location

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street & number 31 East Street not for publication ____
city or town Annapolis vicinity ____
state Maryland code MD county Anne Arundel code 003
zip code 21041

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification N/A

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4. National Park Service Certification N/A

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5. Classification

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Ownership of Property (Check all that apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	_____	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
<u>1</u>	_____	Total

Is this property listed in the National Register?

Yes Name of Listing Annapolis Historic District
No _____

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6. Function or Use
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Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat: Domestic Sub: Single Dwelling

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

Italianate

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick

roof Standing seam metal

walls Stucco over frame

other Asbestos shingles over frame

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 7-1

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8. Statement of Significance
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Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance 1890-1891

Significant Dates 1890-1891

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation undefined

Architect/Builder unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property.)

See Continuation Sheet No. 8-1

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1913, 1921, 1930, 1954.

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10. Geographical Data
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Acreage of Property 1331 Square Feet

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The property designated as 31 East Street is located on Parcel 1289 as indicated on Tax Map 4-6.

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The building located at 31 East Street has been associated with Parcel 1289 since its construction in 1890-1891.

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11. Form Prepared By
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organization Traceries date March 20, 1995
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city or town Chevy Chase state MD zip code 20815
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12. Property Owner
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name Sandra K. Shaw
street & number 31 East Street telephone _____
city or town Annapolis state MD zip code 21401
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The frame building at 31 East Street¹ is one of three attached single-family residences constructed in 1890-1891.² Typical of the rowhouses from the period, the three dwellings are each two-story, two-bay, flat-fronted structures with side entries. Decorative detailing is limited to the Italianate cornice commonly found throughout the historic district.

EXTERIOR

The single-family dwelling at 31 East Street is the western end building of a group of three, attached rowhouses located on the south side of East Street, between Prince George and King George streets. The two-story, two-bay dwelling is set upon a parged brick foundation and is covered with a sloped roof sheathed with standing seam metal. The dwelling features a flat-fronted facade, finished with stucco and is characterized by its Italianate-style bracketed cornice. The cornice, with an incised detailing pattern, continues across the row of three dwellings, providing ornament to the otherwise undecorated facades. A narrow, covered passageway between the attached dwellings at 29 and 31 East Street is closed to the street by a wood door built of narrow vertical, tongue and groove boards.

The stuccoed facade (north elevation) of 31 East Street is divided into two bays with a door and window on the first story, two windows on the second story, and a three-light window recessed below grade at the basement level. The side entry, located in the eastern bay, is reached by a contemporary three-step parged brick or concrete stoop. The entry features a contemporary 15-light replacement door with a single-light transom. To the right of the door is a 6/6 window. The sash is original, as is the interior beaded surround and the wood sill. Replacement louvered shutters adorn both the door and window on the first story. A wooden window box further enhances the facade. The basement level window, covered with a metal grate, is sunken below grade with a brick

¹ The building was historically designated as 27 East Street on the 1891 and 1897 Sanborn maps.

² The date of construction is based on tax assessments and historic maps: the owners of the property, William and Martha Spicer, were assessed for the unimproved lot on East Street in 1890; and the rowhouses do not appear on the Sanborn maps until 1891.

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border defining the edges of the window well.

The second story of the dwelling retains the original two 6/6 windows with their original interior beaded surrounds and wood sills. As on the first story, the second story windows have louvered replacement shutters. A bracketed wood cornice with a decorative incised wood frieze board unites the row of three dwellings. Seven equally spaced and fluted brackets span the three dwellings and support the overhanging boxed cornice with ogee molding.

The west (side) elevation that extends along an eight-foot concrete alley stands two-stories in height³ and is clad with asbestos shingles. Three irregular openings are located towards the rear of the dwelling. One opening with a 1/1 replacement window and air conditioning unit in the lower sash is located on the first story at the second bay from the rear. Another opening, covered with asbestos shingles, is located on the first story in the rear bay. The third opening, in the second story of the end bay, features a 6/6 window with square-edged surrounds and a wood sill.

The south (rear) elevation is two-stories in height with a single-story porch projecting off the first story. This porch has a shed roof, sheathed with asphalt shingles, and is supported by turned posts.

The interior of the building was not accessible for survey.

³ According to the Sanborn maps, this dwelling had a one-story rear ell as late as 1954. This rear ell was, therefore, raised from one to two stories after 1954.

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The single-family dwelling at 29 East Street was one of a row of three modest-sized frame residences built 1890-1891. The row of dwellings follows a building form or pattern that is typical of the late 19th-century residential architecture of Annapolis and that were generally either owned or rented to the city's working-class population.

SITE HISTORY

The single dwelling at 31 East Street is located on a portion of property surveyed by James Stoddert in 1718 and designated Lot 95. At the time of the survey, Lot 95 was owned by Amos Garrett. Amos Garrett is believed to have been "the most prominent and by far the most successful" merchant in Annapolis from the first decade of the 18th century until his death in 1727.⁴ Garrett, who served as the first mayor of Annapolis, apparently made his fortune lending money at interest and dealing with imported goods.⁵ Following his death, Garrett's heirs sold the property to Patrick Creagh for 190 pounds currency. A prominent Annapolis shipbuilder, Patrick Creagh combined mercantile interests with house building and slave trade. Creagh constructed the "public gaol" in 1738-1740.

Like Garrett, Creagh experienced financial difficulties. In 1754 he was faced with significant debt to London merchants Bartholomew Pomeroy and Joseph Janson. Owing approximately 1800 pounds, Creagh was forced to mortgage most of his property to the merchants. The mortgage was to be paid by 1758, yet by Creagh's death in 1760, Pomeroy and Janson had still not collected the money.

Following Creagh's death, however, Pomeroy and Janson were able to collect. Though Creagh left a Last Will and Testament, bequeathing "...lots and a dwelling house where I now live in Annapolis" to his

⁴ Edward Papenfuse. *In Pursuit of Profit, The Annapolis Merchants in the Era of the American Revolution, 1763-1805*. (Baltimore, MD: The Johns Hopkins University Press, 1975), p 13. Though Papenfuse lists Garrett's death as 1728, his gravemarker in St. Anne's Church Yard shows his death date as March 8, 1727.

⁵ Despite the financial success he enjoyed throughout his lifetime, Garrett's body was arrested for debt after his death in 1727, and kept for seven days as was allowed by old law of England (Elihu Riley. *The Ancient City: History of Annapolis in Maryland, 1649-1887*. Annapolis, MD: Record Printing Office, 1887), p 76).

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wife Frances Creagh and, after her death to their daughter Elizabeth Creagh, the property was sold in 1761 to Thomas Rutland, who had purchased the property from Pomeroy and Janson for 350 pounds sterling. Rutland received full title to the property in 1780 from Elizabeth Creagh Mackubin, the daughter of Patrick Creagh.

Merchant Thomas Rutland used the inherited property as collateral to purchase tobacco on credit from Charles Carroll and George Mason. Carroll eventually sought to obtain possession of the land when Rutland failed to pay on the principal of his debt. Unable to sell his imported goods to pay the mounting debts, Rutland was forced by the Chancery Court to transfer to Carroll property three times the value of the debt.⁶ Other creditors, however, were not as fortunate.

In 1786, John Creagh Mackubin, son of Elizabeth Creagh and Richard Mackubin, purchased the upper portion of Lot 95 from East Street running southeast to what is designated today as 154 Prince George Street (including the Patrick Creagh House) in an attempt to raise money for Rutland. Unfortunately, shortly before Rutland's death in 1789, the Sheriff of Anne Arundel County confiscated the whole of Lot 95 to satisfy a debt incurred by Rutland prior to the sale to Mackubin. Consequently, Mackubin lost not only the property, but the 2000 pounds he paid to Rutland. In 1788, the Sheriff sold the upper portion of Lot 95, at the corner of East and Prince George streets (with buildings) at a public auction to Absalom Ridgely for 256 pounds currency.

Absalom Ridgely (1747-1818), a merchant, owned a great deal of land throughout Annapolis that he used as rental property. According to the Federal Direct Tax of 1798, Ridgely was charged with a one-story brick dwelling house (50' x 16') on Prince George Street, with John Smith as tenant; and with a two-story frame dwelling house (16' x 20') on Prince George Street with Charles Ridgely as tenant.

In 1804, Catherine Latimer, widow of Thomas Rutland, sold her dower rights for the upper portion of Lot 95 to Ridgely for 275 pounds. When Absalom Ridgely died in 1818, the rental property was devised to his sons, David and John Ridgely. The Ridgely brothers

⁶ Chancery Records 16 Folio 314

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subdivided the lot, selling a portion of the land fronting on Prince George Street and extending through to East Street to Alexander B. Hagner in 1820. The 1820 plat map for the extension of East Street indicates that stable buildings operated by John Smith were located on the site, thereby affirming that Hagner used the land as rental property.

PROPERTY HISTORY

Between 1820 and ca. 1837, Sarah E. Murray purchased the property.⁷ Sarah Ennalls (Maynadier) Nevett Murray died in November 1837, leaving the Prince George Street property to her son James Murray (1786-1866). By 1841, the Farmers National Bank of Annapolis, which held the mortgage on the property, petitioned the courts for the right to sell the land. Alexander Randall, who was appointed to sell the real estate, conveyed it to Charles H. Steele on March 25, 1851 for \$350. Charles Hutchins Steele (1812-1889) was the grandson of Sarah E. Murray, and son-in-law of James Murray.⁸ John Mullan petitioned the courts in 1852, indicating that Steele, who had left the United States by this time, had improperly purchased the land for James Murray with money from the estate of Sarah Murray. Therefore, Steele and Murray were denied ownership of the land, and John Mullan was substituted as the purchaser of the portion of Lot 95 on the "northeast side of Prince George Street running through to East Street and adjoining the residence of Sarah Murray, and lying between it and the property owned and occupied by John Smith."⁹

John Mullan, born in Armagh, Ireland about 1801, served as an "orderly sergeant" and postmaster at the United States Naval Academy, in addition to holding a position on the city council of

⁷ No deed reference has been found between 1820, when Hagner purchased the land, and 1837, when Sarah Murray died and left the property to her son. It is not known, more specifically therefore, when Sarah Murray may have purchased the property. Neither Sarah or her husband, John Murray are mentioned in the grantee index for 1839 through 1908.

⁸ Robert Harry McIntire. *Annapolis Maryland Families*. (Baltimore, MD: Gateway Press, Inc., 1980), pp 505, 514, and 665.

⁹ Land Records of Anne Arundel County, Liber NHG 1 Folio 393.

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Annapolis.¹⁰ The estate of Mullan, who died in 1863, was placed in equity while the heirs disputed the ownership rights. By 1869, Mary A. (Bright) Mullan, who resided on College Avenue, received full ownership of the land. In 1878, Mary Mullan changed the division of property lines for the property fronting on Prince George Street and extending through to East Street with adjoining property owner Martha A. Spicer, the wife of William Spicer. The Spicers owned the property to the east of Mullan, designated today as 21-25 East Street, as well as 22-28 East Street on the northeast side of East Street.

BUILDING HISTORY

Ten years after the redivision of property lines, just seven months before her death in 1888, Mullan sold Martha Spicer the property for \$350. According to the deed of conveyance, the sale included the remaining portion of the lot purchased by John Mullan in 1852, fronting on East Street and running westerly to the lot of John L. Benjamin. The Spicers were assessed in 1890 for an unimproved lot, measuring 36' x 80,' valued at \$360. By 1891, according to the Sanborn map, the row of three frame houses at 27-29-31 East Street stood on the site. Based upon the tax assessment and maps, the buildings were erected in 1890-1891 by William and Martha Spicer, as rental property.

The erection of these modest, flat-fronted, frame dwellings followed a model established in late 19th century Annapolis, that can also be found in sections of other southern towns and cities, such as Alexandria, and Foggy Bottom in Washington, D.C. In general, these small and almost identical dwelling forms with limited architectural detailing were clustered together in pairs, groups of threes, or even rows. They were most often erected together by a single builder and were specifically constructed as rental properties. This simple, easily built and relatively inexpensive dwelling form began to arise following the Civil War, when a substantial increase in the area's population demanded an immediate need for housing, especially for the worker classes. Speculative builders seized the opportunity to erect modest housing, and by repeating building forms, sharing walls, and limiting the architectural detailing, kept the cost of construction

¹⁰ McIntire, p 502.

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to a minimum. The construction of these houses in multiples began to define the physical and socio-economic character of the area, and encouraged similar development of its kind.

In the case of East Street, several groups or rows of these dwellings, found on either side of the street from Fleet Street to Market Space, were built by various individuals as pairs or groups of threes and within the mid-to late 19th century time frame. From the time of their erection until the mid-to late 20th century, these dwellings were either owner-occupied or used as rental income and occupied by middle and working-class white residents.

Between 1906 and 1908, Martha Spicer broke up the property, selling the three individual houses and their lots in separate transactions. All three lots were sold to Italian-born immigrants who were musicians in the U.S. Naval Academy band. In October 1908, Spicer sold the lot and house at 31 East Street to Gaetano and Palmina Sasso. The Italian-born couple lived in the house; Gaetano Sasso is listed as a bandsman at the Naval Academy.

The Sassos retained ownership of the property until 1940 when they sold it to another Italian couple, Gabriel E. and Amelia Pantaleo. The property remained in Pantaleo family hands until 1975. It was purchased by Joe Haycraft and his wife Sue K. Haycraft. In July 1977, the Haycrafts sold the house to Jeffery P. Shields. Shields retained it until 1980, selling it to John L. Merrill.

In 1986, John L. Merrill sold the single dwelling to Susan M. Blake. Blake maintained ownership until 1991, when Michele Cordle, attorney-in-fact for Susan M. Blake, sold it to Sandra K. Shaw. Shaw currently owns and occupies the building at 31 East Street.

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HISTORIC CONTEXT:

Geographic Organization: Western Shore

Chronological/Development Period (s):

Industrial-Urban Transition, 1870-1930

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme (s):

Architecture, Landscape Architecture and
Community Planning

Resource Type(s)

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Urban

Historic Function (s): Domestic/Single Dwelling

Known Design Source: Unknown

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Chain of Title for 31 East Street:

- 1726: Re-surveyed for Amos Garrett
Liber B Folio 131
- 1730: Heirs of Amos Garrett to Patrick Creagh
Lots 95, 97, and 98 with buildings
Liber RD 2 Folio 216
- 1761: Patrick Creagh bequeathed to Frances Creagh
and Elizabeth Creagh
"...dwelling house and lot in Annapolis."
Lot 95 and part of 96
Anne Arundel County Wills,
Liber L 31 Folio 336
- 1761: Bartholomew Pomeroy and Joseph Janson, who
held the mortgage from Creagh, sold to Thomas
Rutland
Provincial Court Deeds
Liber DD 2 Folio 206
- 1780: Elizabeth Mackubin, daughter and heiress of
Patrick Creagh to Thomas Rutland
Provincial Court Deeds
Liber TBH 1 Folio 449
- January 1786: Thomas Rutland to John Creagh Mackubin, son of
Elizabeth Mackubin
Part of Lot 95
Liber NH 2 Folio 376
- April 24, 1788: David Steuart, Sheriff of Anne Arundel County,
to Absalom Ridgely
Liber NH 3 Folio 405
- 1804: Randolph B. Latimer and wife Catherine, widow
of Thomas Rutland, to Absalom Ridgely
Dower Rights
Liber NH 12 Folio 400

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- December 8, 1820: John and David Ridgely to Alexander B. Hagner
Portion of lot fronting Prince George Street
and running through to East Street that was
purchased by Absalom Ridgely in 1788
Land Records of Anne Arundel County
Liber WSG 7 Folio 434
- 1820-ca. 1839: Sarah Murray purchased property from Hagner
No deed reference listed
- July 12, 1852: Alexander Randall, Trustee for the estate of
Sarah Murray, to John Mullan, Sr.
Northeast side of Prince George Street,
running through to East Street, adjoining the
residence of Sarah Murray and lying between it
and the property owned and occupied by John
Smith
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber NHG 1 Folio 393
- July 22, 1868: Equity Case: John Mullan, Jr. and Charles P.
Mullan versus Mary Mullan, et al.
James Revell appointed to sell real estate of
John Mullan, Sr.
- July 24, 1869: James Revell, Trustee for the estate of the
deceased John Mullan, Sr., to Mary Mullan
Northeast side of Prince George Street,
running through to East Street, adjoining the
residence of Sarah Murray and lying between it
and the property owned and occupied by John
Smith; with buildings
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber SH 3 Folio 556
- February 5, 1878: Mary A. Mullan to Martha A. Spicer, wife of
William Spicer
Change in the division of property lines:
part of Mullan lot on East Street to a point
2-1/2 feet west of the corner of a kitchen not
built on property of Spicer and running at a
straight line and then at right angles with
East Street.
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber SH 13 Folio 8

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- April 18, 1888: Mary A. Mullan to Martha A. Spicer
Remaining portion of lot purchased by John
Mullan in 1852; fronting on East Street,
running westerly to lot of John L. Benjamin
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber SH 32 Folio 504
- March 17, 1890: Mayor and Alderman of Annapolis to Martha A.
Spicer
Exchanged parts of their respective lots:
south side of East Street, being the
separating point between the property of
Spicer and the City; to the western side of
the westernmost frame dwelling of Spicer.
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber SH 36 Folio 488
- October 24, 1908: Martha A. Spicer to Gaefano and Palmina Sasso
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber GW 64 Folio 86
- May 23, 1940: Palmina Sasso to Gabriel E. Pantaleo and
Amelia Pantaleo
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber JHH 215 Folio 452
- February 3, 1973: Gabriel E. Pantaleo and Amelia Pantaleo to
Gabriel Pantaleo, Jr. and Charlotte Ann
Pantaleo
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber 2560 Folio 30
- April 15, 1975: Gabriel Pantaleo, Jr. and Charlotte Ann
Pantaleo to Joe Haycraft and Sue K. Haycraft
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber 2748 Folio 16
- July 15, 1977: Joe Haycraft and Sue K. Haycraft to Jeffery P.
Shields
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber WGL 2980 Folio 328
- November 1, 1980: Jeffery P. Shields to John L. Merrill
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber 3358 Folio 335

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May 26, 1986:

John L. Merrill to Susan M. Blake
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber 4360 Folio 267

April 22, 1991:

Michele Cordle, attorney-in-fact for Susan M.
Blake, to Sandra K. Shaw
Land Records of Anne Arundel County,
Liber 5316 Folio 345



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NW CORNER, VIEW LOOKING SE

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ONE WAY

DO NOT
ENTER

NO
PARKING
THIS SIDE
OF STREET

TOW-AWAY
ZONE

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SW ELEVATION, VIEW LOOKING SE
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CORNICE, VIEW LOOKING SOUTH

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 SHAW HOUSE
 ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401

HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET
 Individual Structure Survey Form

SURVEY NUMBER: AA 58 1791	
NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:	
UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Easting/Northing	
U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:	
PRESENT FORMAL NAME:	
ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:	
PRESENT USE: SF Res	ORIGINAL USE: SF Res
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:	
BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:	
PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE: Excellent () Good (X) Fair () Poor: ()	
THEME:	
STYLE: Victorian	
DATE BUILT: c.1870s	

COUNTY: Anne Arundel
TOWN: Annapolis
LOCATION: 31 East Street
COMMON NAME:
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Res Map 34 Par 25
OWNER: John L. Merrill
ADDRESS: 31 East Street Annapolis, MD 21401
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Yes (X) No () Restricted ()
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local (X) State () National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone () Brick (X) Concrete () Concrete Block ()
- Wall Structure
 - Wood Frame: Post and Beam () Balloon (X)
 - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick () Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 - Iron () D. Steel () E. Other:
- Wall Covering: Clapboard () Board and Batten () Wood Shingle () Shiplap () Novelty () Stucco (X) Sheet Metal () Aluminum () Asphalt Shingle () Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer () Asbestos Shingle (X)
Bonding Pattern: Other:
- Roof Structure
 - Truss: Wood (X) Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - Other:
- Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle (X) Sheet Metal () Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other:
- Engineering Structure:
- Other:

Appendages: Porches () Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys (X) Sheds () Ells (X)
 Wings () Other: Stoop

Roof Style: Gable () Hip () Shed (X) Flat () Mansard () Gambrel () Jerkinhead ()
 Saw Tooth () With Monitor () With Bellcast () With Parapet () With False Front ()
 Other:

Number of Stories: 2
 Number of Bays: 2 Entrance Location: Left
 Approximate Dimensions: 13 x 35

THREAT TO STRUCTURE: No Threat (X) Zoning () Roads () Development () Deterioration () Alteration () Other:
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LOCAL ATTITUDES: Positive () Negative () Mixed () Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Good cornice with sawn frieze panel and sawn consoles; later stoop and stucco front (Side asbestos). Transom lit door.

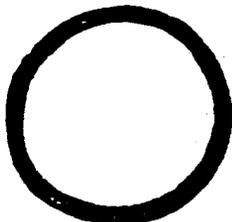
RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

Minor Vernacular with good cornice, one of a row of three that contributes to streetscape despite alterations.

REFERENCES:

MAP: (Indicate North In Circle)



SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane() Woodland() Scattered Buildings()
 Moderately Built Up() Densely-Built Up(✓)
 Residential() Commercial()
 Agricultural() Industrial()
 Roadside Strip Development()
 Other:

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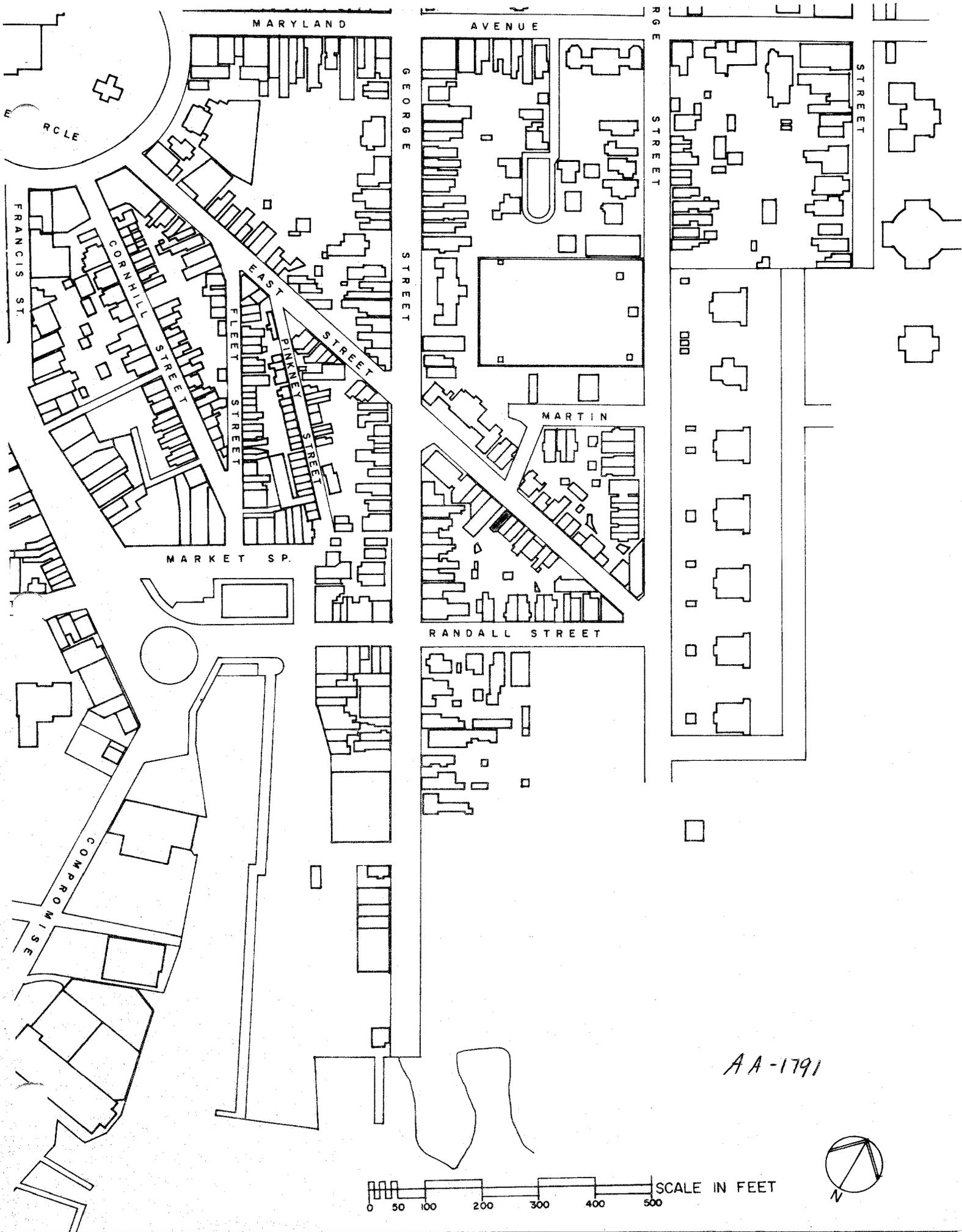
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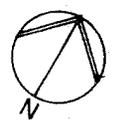
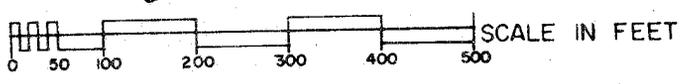
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