

AREA: Financial District

MAGI NO.: 0411815711

Address: 119 East Baltimore Street  
Current Name: Alex Brown & SonsBlock: 649 Lot: 9  
Height: 3 stories  
Condition: Good  
Use: Offices  
Designation: NoneLot size: 34' x 97'  
Materials: Brick and stone  
Owner: Alex Brown Partners  
Accessible: Yes  
Liber/Folio: SEB 200-5

Historic Name:

Date: 1904

Architect/Builder: Baldwin &amp; Pennington/John Waters

Style (if appropriate):

## Description:

This three story building was originally two stories high, but a nearly identical third floor was added shortly after the building was constructed. The storefront area has been completely altered. The upper floors are constructed of Flemish bond brick divided by stone band courses. Three part windows with transoms have bronze aluminum frames and are set into a stone surround with pronounced keystones on the second floor. The third floor window does not have transoms and is set into a plain surround. Above the third floor, stone brackets support a modillion block cornice and balustrade. The decorative facade of Baltimore Street wraps around to Grant Street. The third floor windows on this elevation are set into brick rather than stone surrounds, an indication of the added third floor level.

## Significance:

Area: Architecture

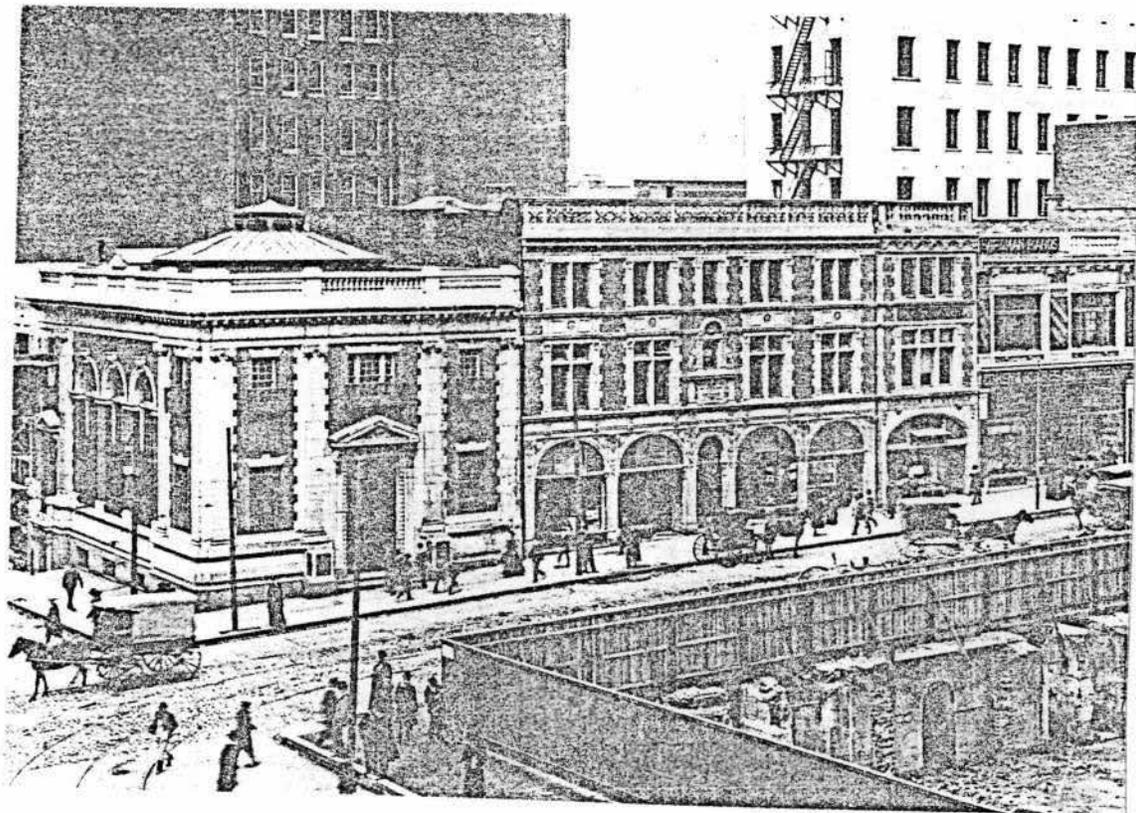
Level: Local

The south side of the 100 block of East Baltimore Street between Grant and Calvert Streets was designed in a fairly uniform manner. All of the buildings have brick walls and stone trim in keeping with the Alexander Brown and Sons Building which survived the Baltimore Fire. They are of a relatively similar height and all are well-designed. After the Baltimore Fire, most architects and builders acted independently, and it was only in a few cases that they collaborated to provide unified streetscapes. This block was praised for its unity and design, but in most of the "burnt district," the post-Fire re-building resulted in confusing streetscapes with varying heights of building and architectural styles. Before it was enlarged, 119 East Baltimore Street was even closer to the style and scale of the adjoining buildings than it is now.

Sources: BS 8/11/1904 p. 12 c. 2; BS 8/26/1904 p. 10 c. 8; BS 9/23/1904 p. 8 c. 1; BS 9/27/1904 p. 10 c. 6 (permit issued).  
Surveyor and Date: Fred B. Shoken, may 1985.

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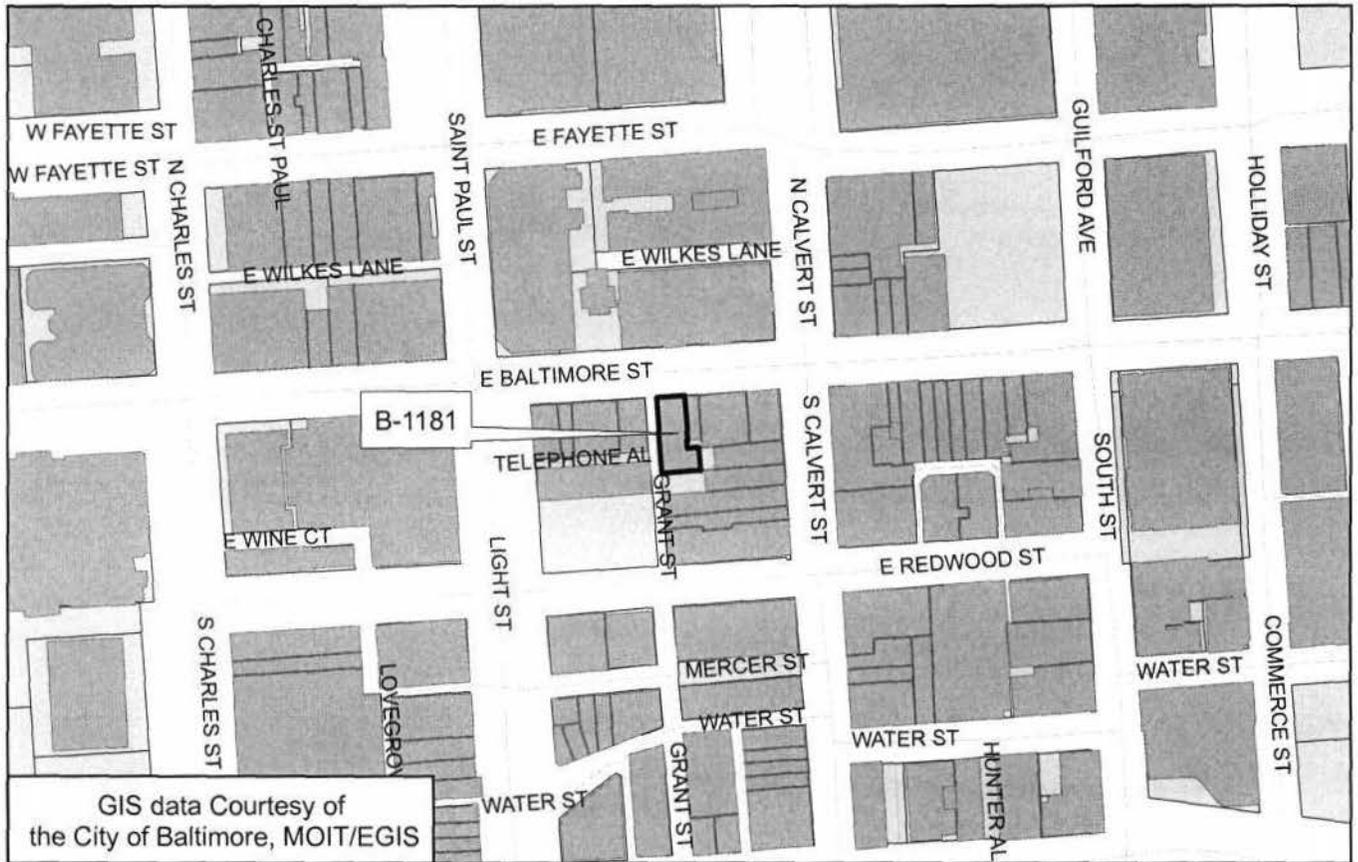
Baltimore Financial District Survey  
119 East Baltimore Street



Photograph showing building as a two story structure  
From: Baltimore: When She Was What She Used to Be,  
Marion and Mame Warren, Baltimore: Johns Hopkins  
University Press, 1983.



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Alex Brown & Sons  
119-121 E. Baltimore Street  
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119 E. Baltimore Street  
Financial District-Metrocenter Survey  
Baltimore (City), Maryland  
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North elevation