

AREA: Financial District

MAGI NO.: 0411945711

Address: 223 East Baltimore Street
Current Name: Lucas BrothersBlock: 650 Lot: 9/11(part) Lot size: 72' x 104' (part)
Height: 4 stories Materials: Brick & terra cotta
Condition: Good Owner: David & Susan Davis
Use: Office supply Accessible: Yes
Designation: None Liber/Folio: CWM 4180-201

Historic Name: Crown Lunch Room

Date: 1904

Architect/Builder: Charles Anderson/William Ferguson & Sons

Style (if appropriate):

Description:

This three bay wide, four story high terra cotta faced building is relatively intact above an altered storefront. Rusticated pilasters with small decorative capitals flank the central windows on the second and third floors. The recessed windows on these floors are double casement with transoms. Three decorative panels with rosettes are located at the third floor level. Large brackets flank the central window of the third floor. Decorative scroll keystones above the third floor windows are surmounted by a simple projecting band course defining the fourth floor level. Three grouped one over one windows on the fourth floor feature pronounced keystones. A large pediment with dentils and decorative brackets caps the facade. A sign panel displaying the name, "HYDE," is set into the center of the pediment and is surrounded by a floral design.

Significance:

Area: Architecture

Level: Local

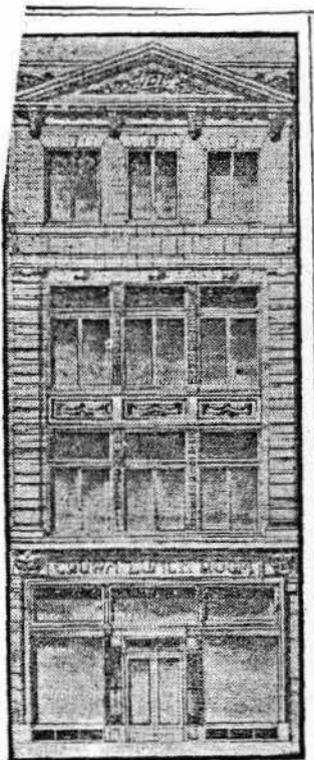
This building is one of three structures that have been combined to make up Lucas Brothers, one of the oldest establishments of its kind in Baltimore. The upper floors of all of the three buildings are relatively intact, however, the first floor facade has been modernized and altered spanning each building. The first floor facade is not compatible to the upper floors and the show windows do not always line up with the upper floor fenestration. Since these buildings take up a large portion of the south side of the 200 block of East Baltimore Street and Lucas Brothers is an important commercial use in the area, a major improvement could be made to the area, if a more compatible first floor design were incorporated into these three buildings. The name "Hyde" at the top of this building refers to George W. Hyde, the owner of the Crown Lunch Room.

Sources: BA 10/25/1904 p. 11 (illustration); BS 10/27/1904 p.11 c. 1 (permit issued).

Surveyor and Date: Fred B. Shoken, June 1985.

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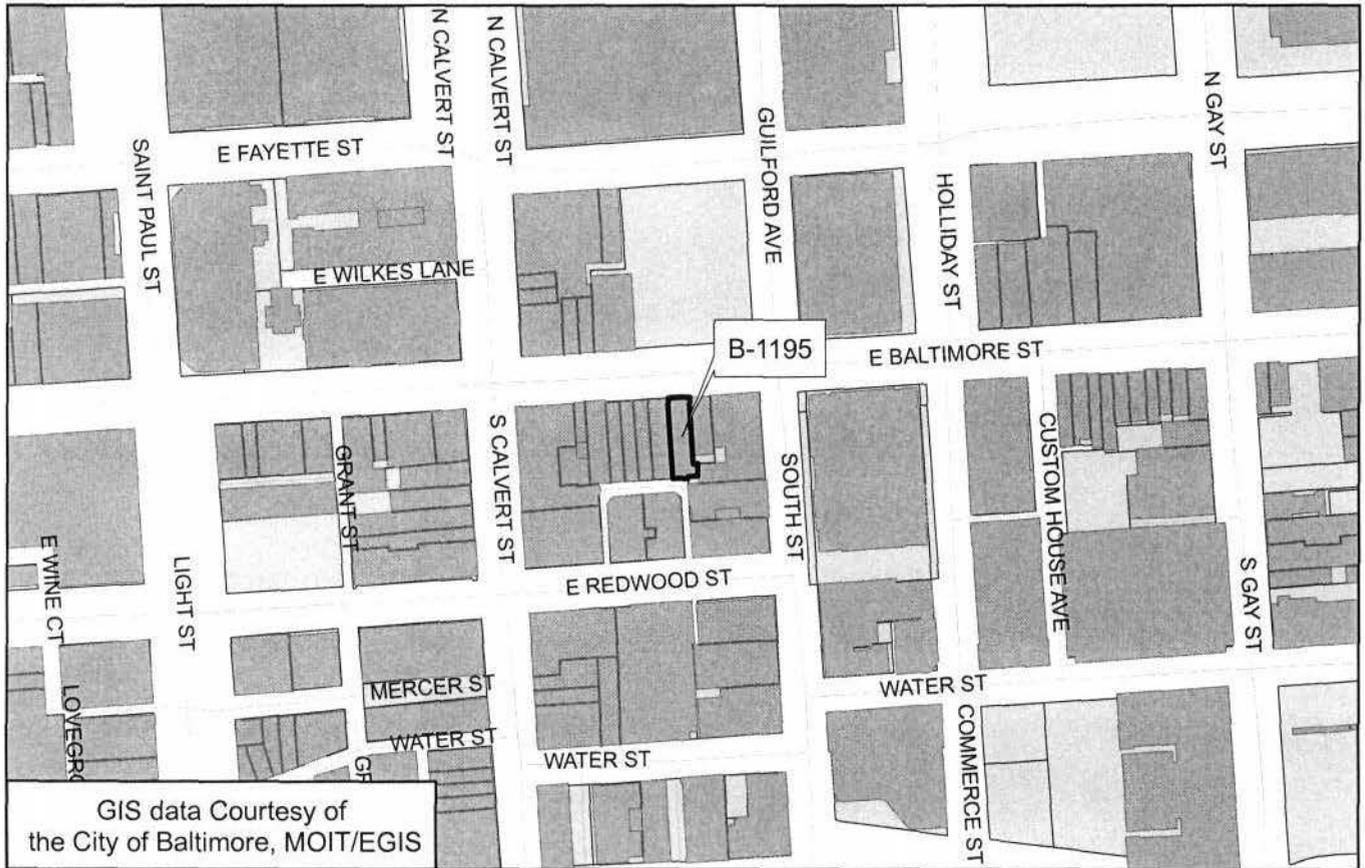
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NEW CROWN LUNCH ROOM

The above is an illustration of the new Crown Lunch Room, to be built by Mr. George W. Hyde at 225 East Baltimore street, one door east of the old location. The building will be four stories high, with high basement, and the front will be ornate, with a facing of weather-proof bricks and terra cotta, and plain polished plate glass in windows and store front. The interior arrangements will be planned after the most advanced ideas for catering to a most exacting patronage. The first and second floors will be devoted exclusively to quick lunch and dining room, being finished with marble floors and walls and ornamental ceiling. The woodwork and furniture will be of mahogany and of special designs, as planned by Mr. Hyde, the owner. The basement and two upper floors will be used as stockrooms and kitchen, and for preparing all the different pastries and everything required on the premises. The toilet arrangements, heating and ventilation will receive most careful attention, and in every detail this building is planned to be one of the best of its kind in appointments and finish. The structure was designed by Charles M. Anderson, the architect, and the contract has been awarded to William Ferguson & Bro. The present location of the Crown Lunch Room is 221 West Lexington street.

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Crown Lunch Room (Lucas Brothers, Inc.)
225 E. Baltimore Street
Block 0650 Lot 009
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad



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