

POPPLETON HISTORIC STUDY

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<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Address</u>	MAG1 #0427125 404
238	26-37	842½-866 W. Lombard Street	

Approximate age

<u>1800-1845</u>	<u>1845-1860</u>	<u>1865-1880</u>	<u>1880-1896</u>	<u>1896-on</u>
	842½-848½	866 850-854½	864	

<u>Rating</u>	<u>Architectural</u>	<u>Condition</u>			
A	Significant-save	good	fair	poor	bad
<u>B</u>	Quality-Indiv./groups-save	good	<u>fair</u>	<u>poor</u>	bad
C	Important to street/groups	good	fair	poor	bad
D	Insignificant/detrimental	good	fair	poor	bad

Notable features:

Numbers 850-854 are a matched set of the early 1860's; they appear on the 1868 Sachse view. Numbers 842½, 844, 848½ have tall steps and good metal work. Numbers 850-854 have metal work at second and fourth floor windows. Number 854½ has carved marble steps, has been vacant but is now being rehabilitated. This is an elegant and very finely appointed house with stone details, interesting brick work, stables and back building. Numbers 850-854 have charm, interesting facade in common, cornice and upper windows well detailed.

St. Mark's P.E. Church, built 1850, architects Niernsee and Nelson, stood on lot 35, 856-862 W. Lombard. Its construction

Environmental context: (Continued on next sheet)

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238	26-37	842 $\frac{1}{2}$ -866 W. Lombard Street.

Notable features (continued):

is significant because to flourish, a parish of that denomination required the presence of a reasonably large number of middle class parishoners. The residences on 800 block Hollins Street, those on Lombard, indicate a congregation was at hand. Considerable building had taken place by 1850 and more was anticipated.

Environmental context: (See sheet for 814-828 W. Lombard.)
The open lot at 856/862 should have an open space re-use.

Sun, 2 January 1850

New Protestant Episcopal Church. The cornerstone of St. Mark's Protestant Episcopal Church, to be erected on West Lombard Street, between Cove and Park Parkin Streets, will be laid this afternoon with appropriate religious ceremonies, commencing at 6 o'clock. The Rev. Bishop Wittingham will conduct the services. When finished, St. Mark's will doubtless prove one of the most beautiful and elegant sacred edifices within the city, if its original plan be faithfully carried out, and of this there can be no doubt, when the principal contractors, Messrs. Green and Sumwalt, are remembered. The house will have a front of 51 feet, running back to a depth of 74 feet, and to be built entirely of stone, with the exception of one arch, which will be built of brick, and the base, which is of fine granite. The stone used in its construction is from the celebrated quarry of Messrs. Green and Sumwalt, Baltimore County, and when built will compare favorably for beauty and appropriateness with any similar material. The structure will have a spacious gallery, and the interior will combine the beautiful and chaste elements of architecture. The top stone of the gable end will be at the height of 54 feet from the floor. The stone work of the foundation is being superintended by Mr. James Dolan, and the house-carpentering by Mr. White. In the rear of the lot is St. Mark's Chapel, which will be used for sacred worship until the completion of the new building.

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Sun, 5 August 1850

St. Mark's Church. The cornerstone of a new edifice, to be erected for St. Mark's congregation of the Protestant Episcopal church, located in Lombard, between Fremont and Parkin Streets, was laid on Friday, at 6½ p.m. . . .

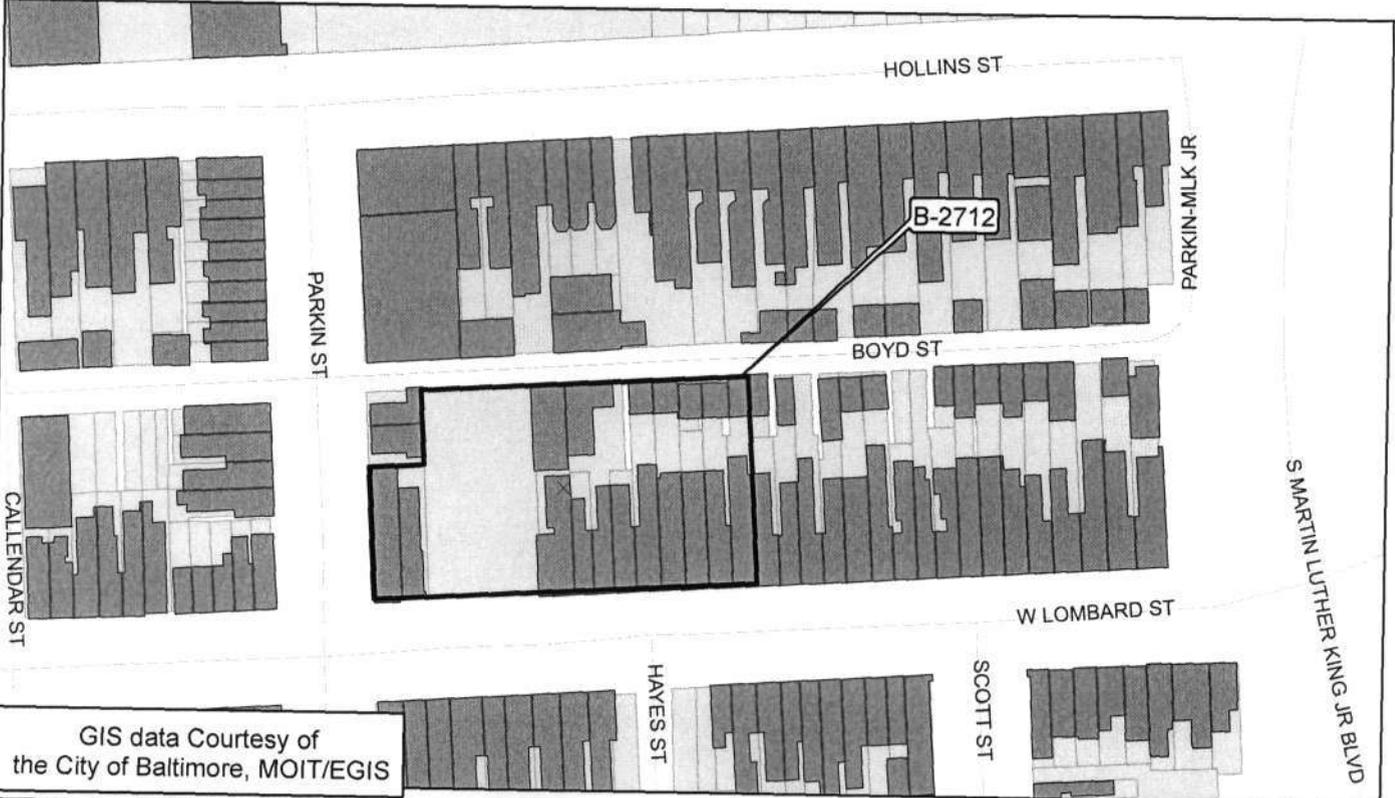
Sun, 13 July 1851

Local matters. Protestant Episcopal Church, Consecration. St. Mark's Church is the name of a very handsome edifice, just completed for a protestant Episcopal congregation, and situated on West Lombard Street, near Cove. It is of Gothic architecture, developing strictly all the prominent features of the early English style, measuring over all 104 feet in length by 60 feet in width, the nave of the church 44 by 70 feet and 25 percent larger than the Mount Calvary Church, which is 57x 43 feet. The tower, rising directly in front of the building, is a finely proportioned specimen of architectural skill, rising to a height of 116 feet from the base, and surmounted by a large gilt cross. The chancel is very beautifully decorated with a triple lancet window, filled with stained glass of simple but rich pattern, which produces a mild and genial light throughout the interior, affording a fine effect to the view, and besides is a relief to the eye. The interior arrangements, as well as the general design of the entire building are such as to produce conveniences, with economy and desirability. The pews are so constructed and located as to afford an excellent view of the sacred desk, and besides are very agreeable seats.

The open timber roof of this church is especially deserving attention. It combines strength with durability, and besides adds materially to the general view, giving the whole an inviting appearance. The church is provided with a vestry room of easy access, whilst a suitable building has been erected in the rear, which meets all the requirements of a well-conducted Sabbath School. The entire cost of the church is about \$12,000, which is greatly less than any one capable of judging would estimate. The entire walls are of the finest building stone, obtained from the celebrated quarry of Messrs. Sunwalt and Green, who likewise have displayed their skill and ability in their erection. The carpenter's work was executed by Mr. J. P. White, the painting by Mr. Wilson, trimming by Mr. Rotrock, iron work by Mr. Fagels; the beautiful chancel furniture and pulpit were constructed by the Messrs. Jenkins, whilst the entire design and plan, and superintendence of construction devolved upon Messrs. Niernsee and Neilson, the architects.

This beautiful structure was yesterday consecrated according to the usages peculiar to that church . . .

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