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836-800 William St. (West side)  
Baltimore, Md.  
Private access

1850-1880's

As originally built, all of the houses but one lining this side of the 800 block of William St. were three story in height with gable roofs, and all but 828 William St. are two bays wide. The exception is 806 William St. which is a two story plus attic brick house. The houses were built for a middle class market--men who had prospered in the local shipbuilding and glass-making trades and could afford a larger and more comfortable house than the two story plus attic type built for their working class neighbors. Many of the houses retain their original appearance but 828, 818, and 800 William St. now have shed roofs and bracketed cornices, added after the Civil War. 804 William St. is one of only two bow-fronted, Classical-Revival influenced brick and brownstone houses in the Federal Hill area, and seems to have replaced an earlier structure on the site. At 820 William St., at the south-west corner of William and Churchill Streets, is the currently vacant, Classical-Revival style church building of the South Baltimore Station of the Methodist Episcopal Church, built by church members in the early 1850's. The building is three stories in height with a high gable roof that runs parallel to Churchill St., the pedimented gable end fronting on William St. The facade is divided into three bays by two-story high brick piers that run from the high "rusticated" basement to the severe Classical pediment.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER 810 William St.

CITY, TOWN Baltimore \_\_\_\_\_ CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

\_\_\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE Maryland COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ STATE, zip code

\_\_\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN Baltimore STATE Maryland 21202

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN \_\_\_\_\_ STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

CONDITION	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**  
 UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**  
 ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED    DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This two story with attic brick house with gable roof represents one of the original group of gable roofed houses that extended along this side of William St.

The house is two and one half stories in height, 15' wide, and occupies a lot 81' deep. At the rear a 2 1/2 story, one bay wide and deep stair hall extension connects the main house to a two story, four bay deep rear addition. There is also a further one story high, one bay deep addition. The house is constructed in running bond. The low-pitched gable roof has a double covered chimney along the north end of both the front and rear gables. There is also a rear end chimney located along the south wall of the kitchen addition. A simple brick cornice extends across the facade.

The second floor window openings have segmentally arched brick lintels with scroll-sawed tympanum. The third floor attic windows have flat wood lintels. The first floor window is quite wide and has a round arched lintel. All of the sills are wood. The first floor window is filled with a fixed, multi-light panel set beneath a solid pane of glass cut to fit the curve of the round arch. The second floor windows are filled with new 6/6 sash and the attic windows have new 3/3 sash. A Victorian six panel door is set beneath a three-light transom. The house sits on a fairly high basement, the entrance being reached by a flight of three stone steps. A rectangular basement window with a segmentally arched lintel and two separate lights, is located to the right of the steps.

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES      1849-1851

BUILDER/ARCHITECT      Francis H. Smith

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This house is interesting for having been built by the same builder who constructed the adjoining pairs of houses at 812-814 and 816-818 William St. and for the nearby, very similar houses, at 121-213 E. Montgomery St. Smith's construction of a two story plus attic house on a street with larger houses appealing to a definite middle-class market, must represent his tailoring a house to suit an individual client's needs for a slightly less expensive dwelling.

See under 102-104 Warren Ave. for a description of the typical two story plus attic house type as built in this area.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

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**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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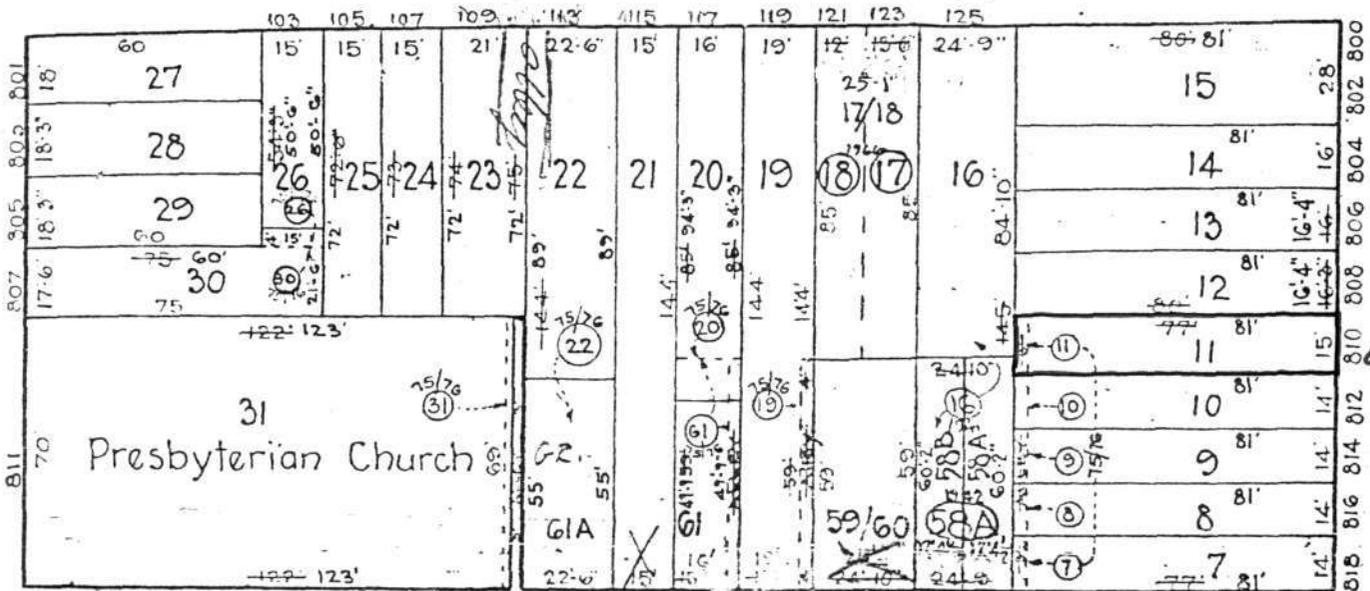
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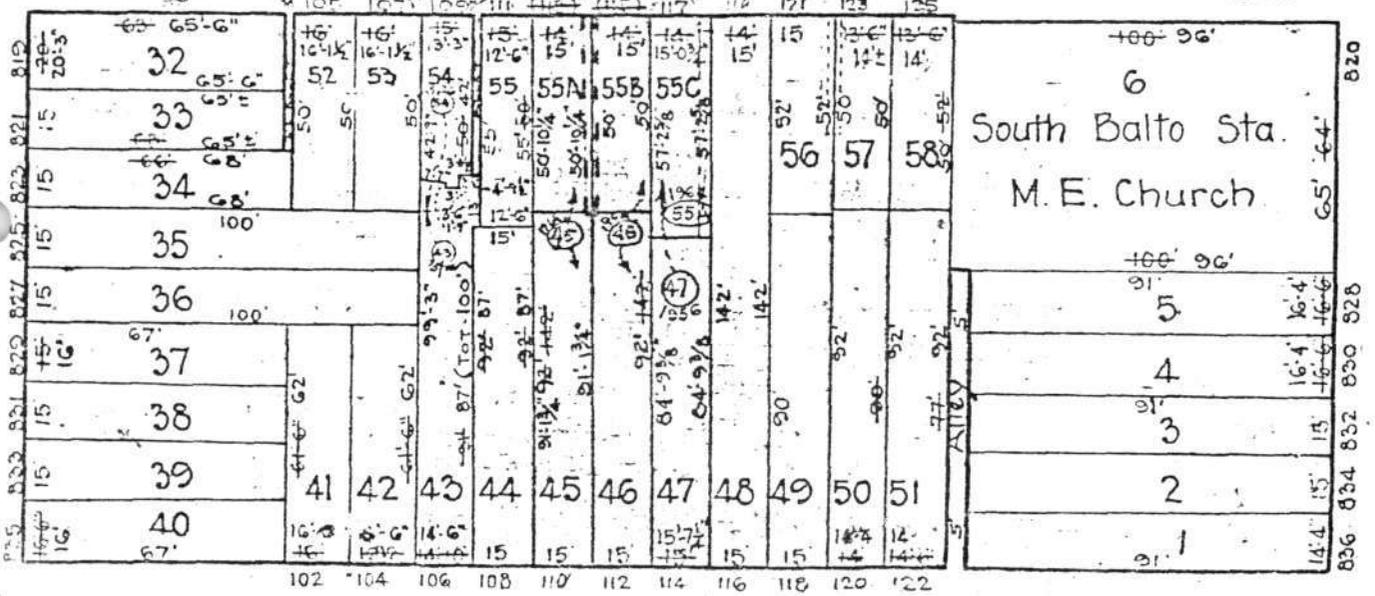
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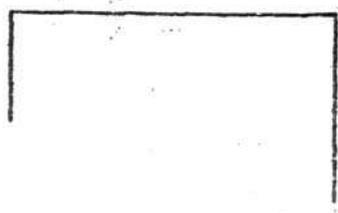


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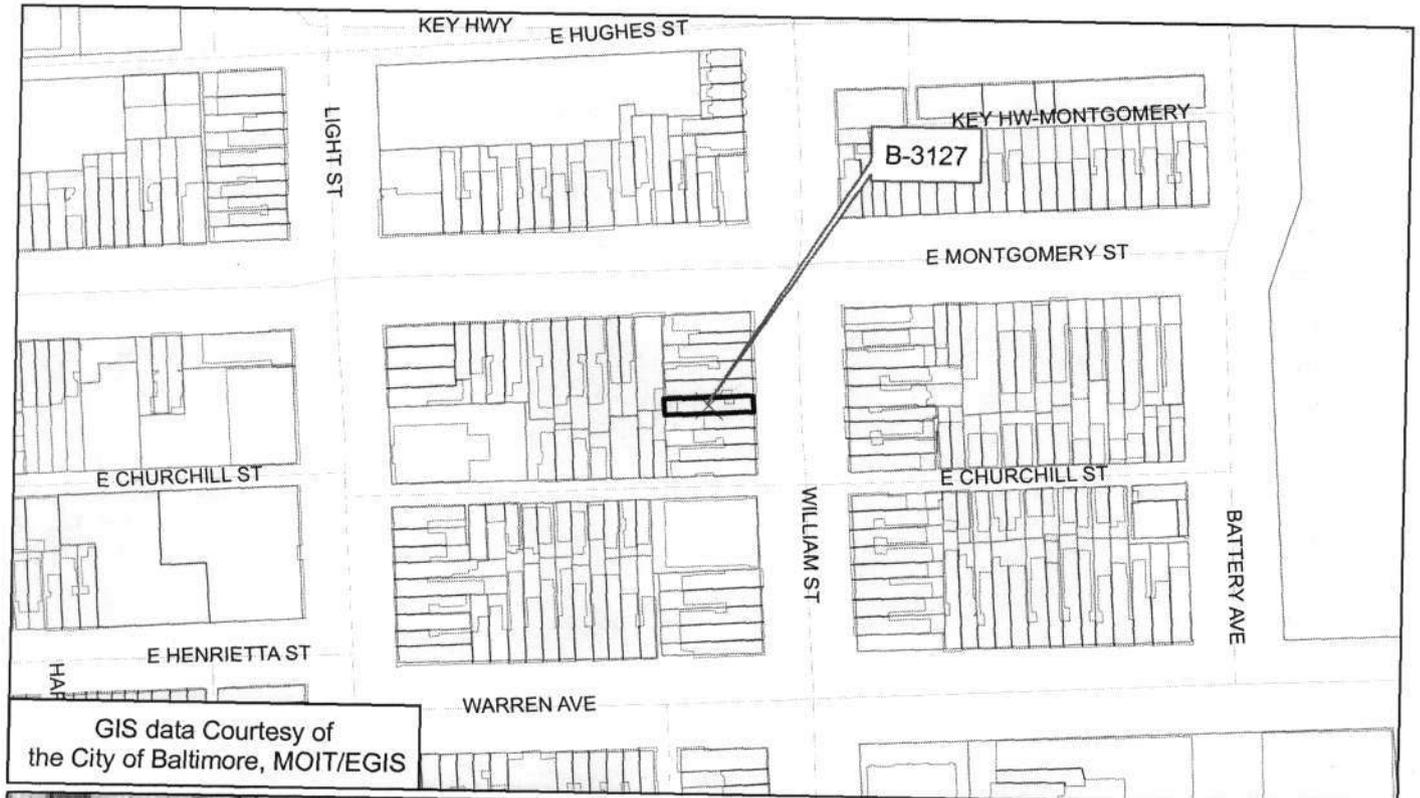
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810 William St.

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East elevation