

B-3374 - B-3382  
1001-1039 Light St. (East side)  
Baltimore, Md.  
Private access

1837-1854

A large portion of the east side of the 1000 block of Light St. was originally improved with a row of two and a half story, late Federal style brick houses built by John S. Gittings and others in the late 1830's and early 1840's. Of these houses only 1003 and 1005 Light St. survive in their original exterior form, with 1027-1029 Light St. retaining their original two story height, but minus their original dormer windows. 1001 and 1025 Light St. are now three story, three bay wide brick commercial/residential structures with shed roofs and bracketed cornices; 1007 and 1009 Light St. are three story, two bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices. A number of the early houses on this block have been replaced by modern, one story high commercial structures. The southern portion of the block was originally improved with a row of three story, gable-roofed houses in the early 1850's, of which only 1031 Light St. survives in its original form. 1033 and 1037-1039 Light St. have had their gable roofs rebuilt as shed roofs with bracketed cornices added. The first floor areas of all of these later houses have been converted to modern storefronts.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER 1025 Light St.

CITY, TOWN Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE Maryland

COUNTY

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
___DISTRICT	___PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	___AGRICULTURE	___MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	___UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	___PARK
___STRUCTURE	___BOTH	___WORK IN PROGRESS	___EDUCATIONAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
___SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	___ENTERTAINMENT	___RELIGIOUS
___OBJECT	___IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	___GOVERNMENT	___SCIENTIFIC
	___BEING CONSIDERED	___YES: UNRESTRICTED	___INDUSTRIAL	___TRANSPORTATION
		___NO	___MILITARY	___OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**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**

B-3379

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED    DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This three story, three bay brick house with shed roof and wooden cornice represents an enlargement of the original gable roofed house that was built on this site in the 1840's and formed part of a group of such houses extending along this side of Light St. The first floor area of the house has been converted into a modern store-front in conjunction with the first floor area of the adjoining house, 1027 Light St.

The house is three stories in height, 15' wide, and occupies a lot 75' deep. There is a three story high, one bay wide and deep stair hall extension which connects the main house to a two story high, three bay deep rear addition. The house is constructed in running bond. The shed roof is capped by a wooden cornice consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding set above a row of block modillions and a plain freize area. Two end brackets frame and support the cornice. There is a single hooded chimney located along the south side of the center section of the roof. There is also a rear end chimney located at the east end of the rear addition.

The second story window openings have segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums; the third story windows have no lintels. All of the windows have brick header sills. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. The first floor area has been converted into a modern store-front in conjunction with the first floor area of 1027 Light St. The entrance is located in the northernmost bay of 1027 Light St, with the entire first floor facade of 1025 Light St. consisting of plate glass shop windows set on decorative brickwork bases. The remaining area of the first floor facade has been faced with this same decorative brickwork. A shed roof of artificial wood siding extends across the entire width of the combined store-front.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

**PERIOD**

**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW**

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| <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             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599            | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE             | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS              | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE             | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION              | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY               | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799            | <input type="checkbox"/> ART                     | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING            | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC                  | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE                | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY             | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900-                | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS          | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY               | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT    | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)     |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION              |   |  |

SPECIFIC DATES 1842-43(orig.)/enl.1870's BUILDER/ARCHITECT Joseph Cassell

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

See under 1007 Light St.

This house, and the two houses immediately adjoining to the north, were all originally built as two story houses with dormer windows by Joseph Cassell, a carpenter on Saratoga St., on land leased to him by John S. Gittings.<sup>1</sup> The first owner-occupant of the house was a George H.C.J. Bush, a newspaper agent and later an omnibus proprietor who lived here in the 1850's. A later owner was John S. Mitchell, a huckster, who lived here in the late 1860's and early 1870's.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Baltimore City Land Records, Liber AWB 389, Folio 270; TK 286, Folio 23; AWB 463, Folio 256; Baltimore City Directory, 1842

<sup>2</sup>B.C.D., 1849-50, 1856-57, 1868-69; Land Records, Liber AM 342, Folio 39

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 15' x 75'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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DATE

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STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

STATE

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Maryland 21204

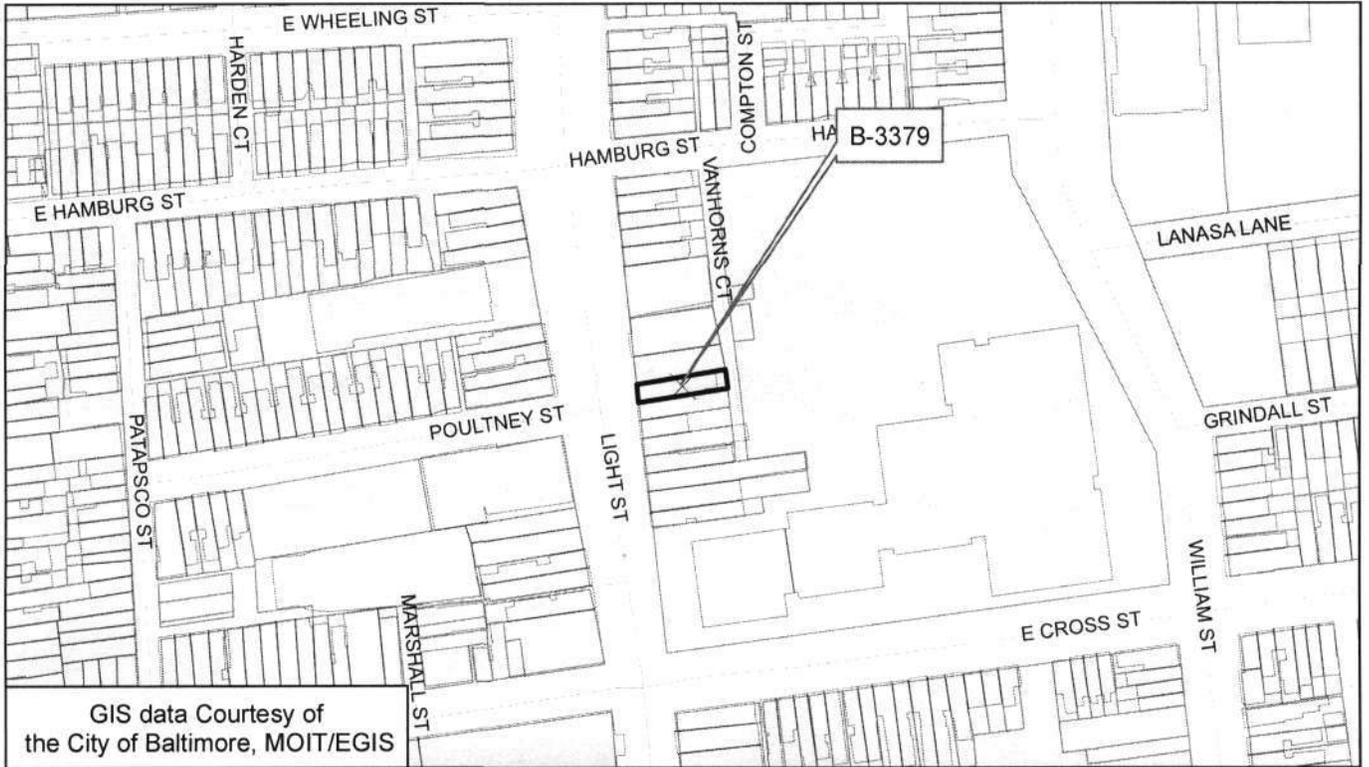
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Block 0936 Lot 064  
Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.





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1025 Light St.

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West elevation