

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 A number of the early houses on this block have been replaced by modern, one story high commercial structures.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

1027-1029 Light St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

— VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
			<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
			<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
			<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
			<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
			<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
			<input type="checkbox"/> 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-3380

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This pair of two story, two bay brick houses with gable roofs was built in the 1840's and formed part of a group of gable roofed houses extending along this side of Light St. The first floor areas of both houses have been converted into store-fronts, that of 1027 Light St. in conjunction with 1025 Light St., and that of 1029 Light St. in conjunction with that of 1031 Light St. The second story windows of 1027 Light St. have been filled in with brickwork.

The houses are two stories in height, about 15' wide, and occupy lots 75' deep. Each house is two rooms deep. 1027 Light St. has a one story high, five or six bay deep rear addition which extends back all the way to the end of the lot. 1029 Light St. has a one story high, two bay deep rear addition. The houses are constructed in running bond. The low-pitched gable roofs have a two-tier brick cornice. 1027 Light St. has a double rectangular chimney located along both the front and rear roof gables on the south side of the house.

The second story window openings of 1027 Light St. have been filled with brickwork. The original treatment of the lintels on the second story windows at 1029 Light St. has been hidden by a wooden molding that has been applied directly beneath the brick cornice. The sills are brick header sills. The window openings are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. The first floor areas of both houses have been converted into store-fronts. 1027 Light St. shares a combination modern store-front with 1025 Light St. A pair of glass and aluminum doors is located in the northermost bay of 1027 Light St., flanked by a plate glass shop window set on a decorative brickwork base. 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. At 1029 Light St. the store-front area has been faced with the same decorative brickwork as used at 1025-1027 Light St. A glass and panel door is located in the southernmost bay, flanked by a small plate glass shop window. A shed roof covered with modern asbestos shingles extends across the entire width of the combined store-fronts of 1029 and 1031 Light St. Both entrances are reached directly from the sidewalk.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD

- PREHISTORIC
- 1400-1499
- 1500-1599
- 1600-1699
- 1700-1799
- 1800-1899
- 1900-

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ART | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES 1841-42

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Joseph Cassell

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 1003 Light St.

Like the adjoining houses to the north (1021-1025 Light St.) this pair of houses was built by Joseph Cassell, a carpenter located on Saratoga St. The houses undoubtedly originally had dormer windows. The first owner-occupant of 1027 Light St. was a John Coulter, a teacher who lived here in the 1840's and 1850's.¹

¹Baltimore City Land Records, Liber AWB 389, Folio 111; Baltimore City Directory, 1842, 1849-50, 1855-56

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 15' x 75' (1027); 15'4" x 75' (1029)

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

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DATE

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STATE

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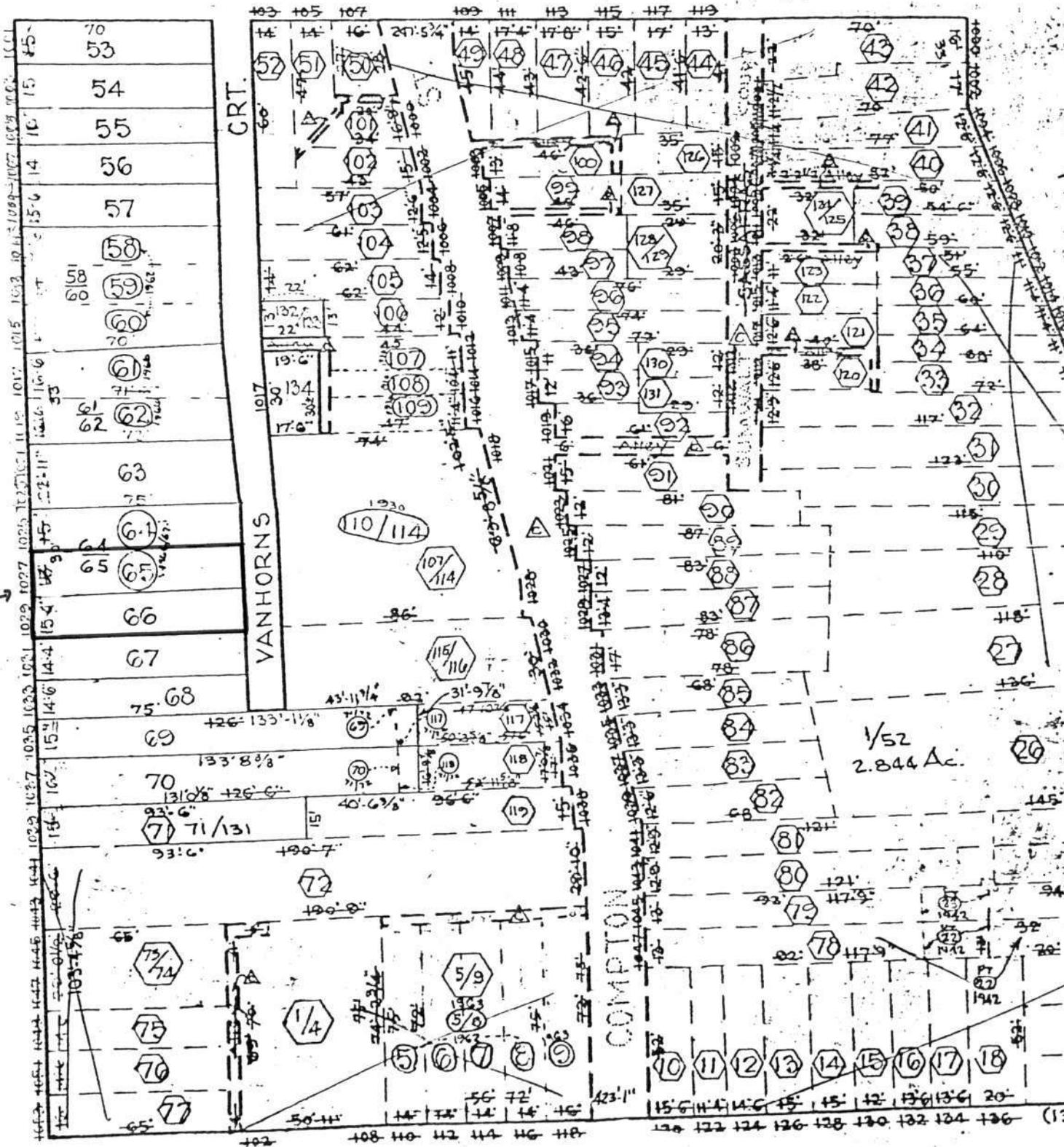
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West elevation