

BALTIMORE CITY--COMMISSION FOR HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION

CDBG SURVEY YEAR:
AREA: Middle East

SURVEY NO.: B-4278
MAGI NO.: 0442783604

ADDRESS: 616 North Chester Street
CURRENT NAME:

BLOCK: 1636 LOT: 33
HEIGHT: 2
CONDITION: Good

LOT SIZE: 12 ft. x 86.5 ft.
MATERIALS: Brick, Formstone, aluminum
OWNER: Mayor & City Council
ADDRESS:

USE: Residential
DESIGNATION:

ACCESSIBLE: Yes, restricted
LIBER/FOLIO: Dept. of Law letter

HISTORIC NAME: Brunnett Produce
DATE: Ca. 1885
ARCHITECT/BUILDER:
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):

DESCRIPTION:

The two-story, two-bay brick rowhouse has an exposed north elevation due to the demolition of three adjacent properties. The storefront has a projecting display window, presently boarded, flanked by a side recessed entrance. The storefront cornice, like the facade, is covered with Formstone and has a fixed sheet metal awning. (The awning had been removed prior to a second site visit in June 1989.) The second story windows are one/one with segmental arches. The main cornice is enclosed in aluminum which extends across 612, 614, and 616 N. Chester. The flat roof slopes toward the rear of the building.

SIGNIFICANCE:

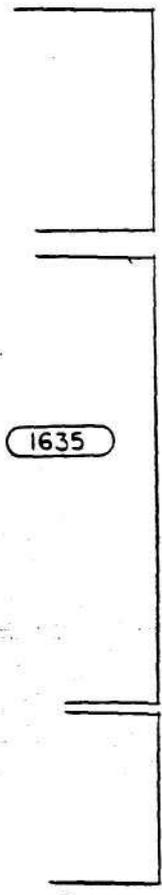
AREA: Architecture LEVEL: Local

The storefront type of rowhouse is exemplified in the form of 616 N. Chester Street, although its exterior covering conceals its original brick facade and wood or metal cornices. The building was the home and produce shop of Frank Brunnett from the late 1890's to 1916, when James Cihlar bought it for use as a tailor shop, moving from 614 N. Chester next door. During the 1920's, the building served as a lunchroom for a few years and in the 1930's became a grocery, which it remained until the early 1960's.

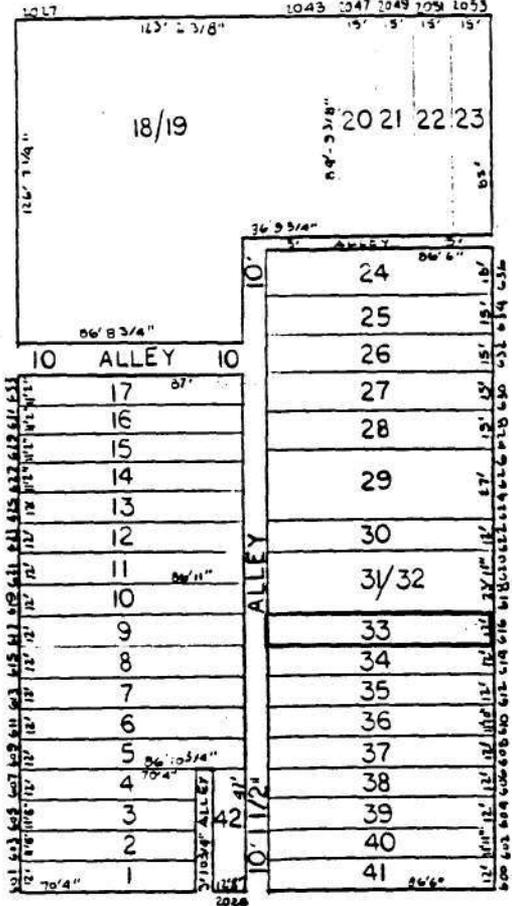
SOURCES: Land records, City directories

SURVEYOR AND DATE: Janet L. Davis, CHAP, June 1989

E. MONUMENT



N. CASTLE ST.

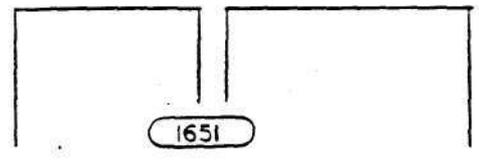


McELDERRY

N. CHESTER ST.



ST.

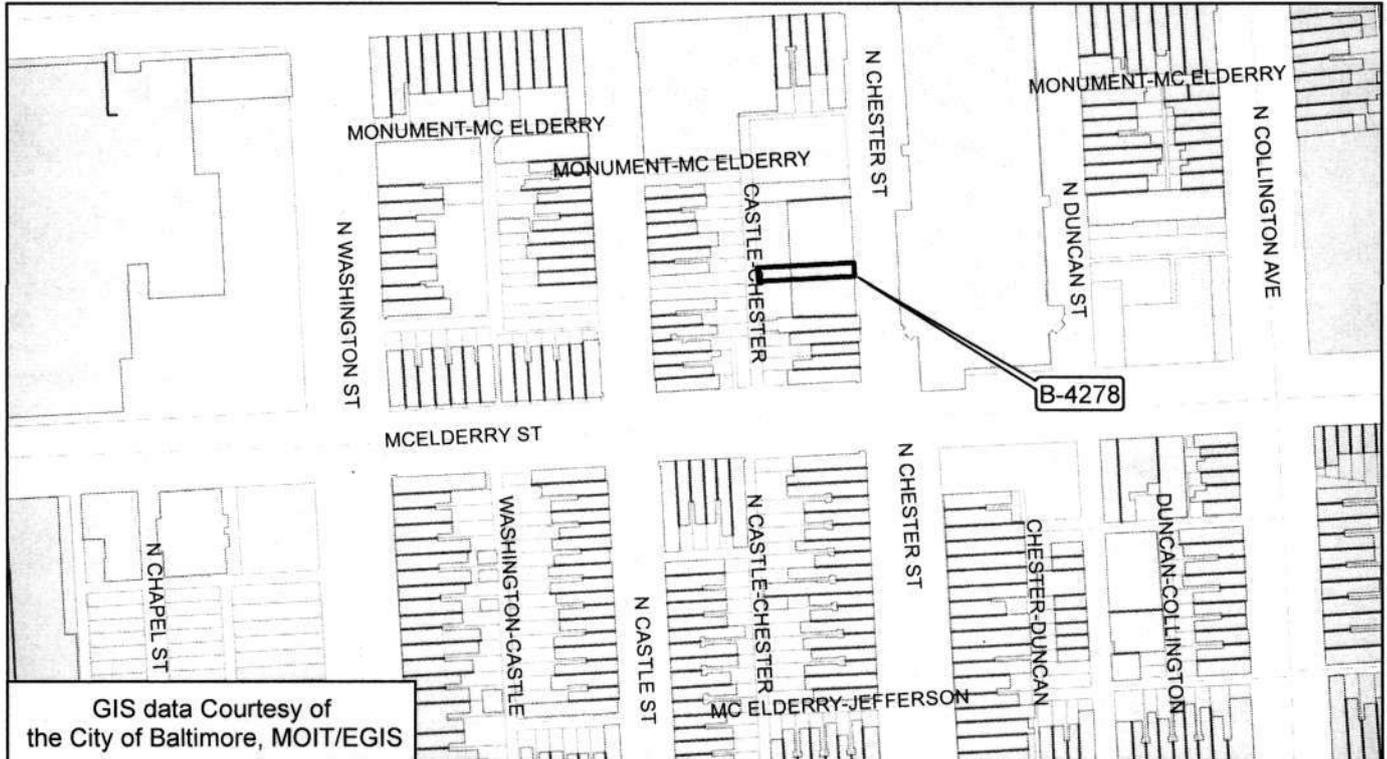


CITY OF BALTIMORE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Ward 7, Section 12
Block 1636
616 No. Chester St.
B-4278

B-4278
616 N. Chester Street
Block 1636, Lot 033
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.

Demolished



GIS data Courtesy of
the City of Baltimore, MOIT/EGIS



666 N. Chester St.



616 N. Chester St.

B-4278

Baltimore, Maryland

Photographer: Janet Davis

August 1988

Neg. loc.: Maryland SHPO

East elevation in streetscape context