

CARR-350

CHARLES DEVILBISS HOUSE

Uniontown

1875

private

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3485 and 3481 Uniontown Road provide nice contrasts with 3488 and 3468 Uniontown Road for identifying changes in brick construction and architectural styles throughout the nineteenth century. According to Dr. Weaver, Jr., **3485 Uniontown Road** was built in 1875 by Charles Devilbiss. It is a two-story, three-bay brick structure with stretcher bond brickwork that retains the basic L-shaped form of the earlier structures. The most notable changes are style of ornamentation and increased size of the tall windows. In 3485 Uniontown Road, this new style of ornamentation occurs in the stick-style cornice and spindle railing of the porch and the wood cornices over the windows. Also, the wide eaves and molded cornice of the roof display the late Victorian-style in a country setting. The tall windows are the result of changing technology in both glass-making and heating systems. Another feature of these L-shaped houses that remained popular throughout the nineteenth century is the double-tiered porch on the inner side of the ell. Its utilitarian function for various household chores contributed to its widespread use.



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FIELD SHEET--HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY

SURVEY NUMBER: CARR-350
NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:
UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Easting/Northing
U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP: New Windsor
PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

COUNTY: CARROLL
TOWN: Unimtown
LOCATION: 3485 Unimtown Rd
COMMON NAME: CHARLES DEVILBISS HOUSE
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Residence
OWNER: John Beckner Jr
ADDRESS: 3485 Unimtown Rd
Unimtown Md 21157
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:
Yes () No (X) Restricted ()
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:
Local () State () National ()

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:
PRESENT USE: residence
ORIGINAL USE: residence
ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:
BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:
PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:
Excellent () Good (X)
Fair () Poor ()
THEME:
STYLE: rural Victorian
DATE BUILT: 1875

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:
Structural System
1. Foundation: Stone (X) Brick () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
2. Wall Structure
A. Wood: Log () Post and Beam () Balloon ()
B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick (X) Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
C. Iron () D. Steel () E. Other
3. Wall Covering: Weatherboard () German Siding () Board and Batten ()
Wood Shingle () Shiplap () Novelty () Stucco () Sheet Metal ()
Aluminum () Asphalt Shingle () Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer ()
Bonding Pattern: Stretcher Other:
4. Roof Structure
A. Truss: Wood (X) Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
B. Other:
5. Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle () Sheet Metal (X)
Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other:
6. Engineering Structure:
7. Other:
Appendages: Porches (X) Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys () Sheds ()
Ells (X) Wings () Other:
Roof Style: Gable (X) Hip () Shed () Flat () Mansard () Gambrel () Jerkinhead ()
Saw Tooth () With Monitor () With Bellcast () With Parapet ()
With False Front () Other:
Number of Stories: 2
Number of Bays: 3 x 2
Approximate Dimensions:
Entrance Location: Side

THREAT TO STRUCTURE:
No Threat (X) Zoning () Roads ()
Development () Deterioration ()
Alteration () Other:

LOCAL ATTITUDES:
Positive (X) Negative ()
Mixed () Other:

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

See Uniontown Md. A Walking Tour

REFERENCES:

- 1862 Martenet's Map:
- 1877 LG & S Atlas:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Open Lane () Woodland () Scattered Buildings ()
- Moderately Built Up () Densely-Built Up ()
- Residential () Commercial ()
- Agricultural () Industrial ()
- Roadside Strip Development ()
- Other:

RECORDED BY:

Joe Getty

ORGANIZATION:

C.L. Dept. of Planning

DATE RECORDED:

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1. CARR-350 Charles Devilbiss House
2. Carroll County, Maryland
3. Joe Getty
4. November, 1984
5. Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, Md.
6. East & north elevations, camera facing southwest
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