

Survey # WA-I-551
Street Address 23 W. Baltimore Street
Town, State Funkstown, Maryland 21734
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Approximate date C. 1820-1830

Description:

This large two-part building is of log construction, covered with German siding. It is a two story, eight bay building which appears to have received new exterior finishes and features in the early 20th century. Each section has four bays. The east section has entrances in its third and fourth bays from the east end. The west section has an entrance in its third bay from the west end. All windows have single pane sash within architraves with molded flat tops. Each entrance has a small gabled porch supported by square posts. The rear of the building apparently had a two story porch which has been enclosed. On the roof are a pair of gabled dormers with double windows.

The west section of the building at present houses the Funkstown Tavern. The size and configuration of the building suggests that it originally had a similar function as a tavern and/or hotel. There were many such facilities in Funkstown during the first half of the 19th century due to the business generated by the National Pike. By 1877, however, the east section was in use as a cabinet shop, according to the atlas of that year. The owner was J. Bowman.

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland

II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s):

Agricultural-Industrial Transition 1815-1870 A.D.

III. Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):

Architectural/Landscape Architecture/Community Planning
Economic (Commercial and Industrial)

IV. Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s):

Domestic/hotel

Commerce/Trade/restaurant (tavern), cabinet shop

Known Design Source: Vernacular

Photo Reference: Photo # 23

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