

SITE NUMBER: WA-II-535

ADDRESS: 122 West Main Street, Sharpsburg, MD

OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: John J. Roulette, 206-462, private

BUILDING DATE: mid-late 19th century

122 West Main Street is a north-facing, vertically massed, symmetrical, three-and-a-half-story, five-bay, stone, freestanding, residential structure resting on a stone foundation. It is set directly at the public-right-of-way. It has been remodeled several times as seen by the eclectic ensemble of eastlake and Colonial Revival detailing. The side-gable roof, which is sheathed with an artificial roll, has a dentilled cornice and a front gable flanked by narrow, tall dormers with Colonial Revival motifs in their pediments. The house has two entrances on the front facade: one at the exposed basement level in the easternmost bay, and one on the raised first level in the center bay. The first-floor door is deeply recessed and is composed of a paneled double door topped by a single-light transom. It is protected by a hipped-roof, open porch that runs the length of the building and is supported by turned posts and pilasters and ornamental brackets. A flat-cut balustrade further defines the porch which is approached by a set of stairs at the western end of the facade. The second floor is articulated by a square, projecting bay in the center of the facade. Windows are double-hung, one-over-one sash (except in the basement where they are nine-over-six), and have shutters. The building has a two-story stone wing to the rear.

The building without its addition is noted on the 1877 map of the town as being owned by Estate of P. Bealer. The 1922 Sanborn notes the extant dwelling as 227 West Main and indicates a two-story building at the rear of the lot. The first story is noted as

being constructed of stone, the second of brick.

The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic Organization, the possible Development Period of Agricultural-Industrial Transition, and falls within the Historic Period Theme of Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning.

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