

CARR-316

WILLIAM A. ANDERS HOUSE

Uniontown

L. 1877

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CARR-316 *William A. Anders House*
3451 Uniontown Road

3451 Uniontown Road, like its counterpart across the street at 3450 Uniontown Road, is a good example of rural Victorian-style architecture. It was built by William A. Anders, a tailor, about 1877. He purchased the lot that year for \$135. In 1880, he sold it to Henry Brough for \$2000. The deed states that the sale included "all of the goods, wares and merchandise contained in the room known as the storeroom on the said William A. Anders premises." The house has the standard two-story, three-bay by two-bay format that was popular in this region throughout the nineteenth century. Victorian-style ornamentation is shown mainly through the window cornices and porch details (see photograph on page 12). The storeroom has an excellent set of projecting bay windows with paneled lower sections. This is one of the best examples of intact Victorian-style storefront designs in the county.



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
225. N. Center Street
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WESTMINSTER PLANNING DISTRICT

FIELD SHEET--HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY

SURVEY NUMBER: CARR-316

NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:
Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP: New Windsor

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

PRESENT USE: Residence

ORIGINAL USE: Residence / Store

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:
Excellent () Good (X)
Fair () Poor ()

THEME:

STYLE: rural Victorian

DATE BUILT: c. 1877

COUNTY: CARROLL

TOWN: Unimtown

LOCATION:
3451 Unimtown Road

COMMON NAME: WILLIAM A. ANDERS HOUSE

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Residence / Store

OWNER: Thomas M. Townsend

ADDRESS: 3451 Unimtown Rd
Unimtown Md 21157

ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:
Yes () No (X) Restricted ()

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:
Local () State () National ()

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

- Foundation: Stone (X) Brick () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
- Wall Structure
 - Wood: Log () Post and Beam (X) Balloon ()
 - Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick () Stone () Concrete () Concrete Block ()
 - Iron () D. Steel () E. Other
- Wall Covering: Weatherboard (X) German Siding () Board and Batten ()
Wood Shingle () Shiplap () Novelty () Stucco () Sheet Metal ()
Aluminum () Asphalt Shingle () Brick Veneer () Stone Veneer ()
Bonding Pattern: _____ Other: _____
- Roof Structure
 - Truss: Wood (X) Iron () Steel () Concrete ()
 - Other: _____
- Roof Covering: Slate () Wood Shingle () Asphalt Shingle () Sheet Metal (X)
Built Up () Rolled () Tile () Other: _____
- Engineering Structure:
- Other: _____

Appendages: Porches (X) Towers () Cupolas () Dormers () Chimneys () Sheds ()
Ells (X) Wings (X) 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: 3x2

Approximate Dimensions: _____

Entrance Location: center

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

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

ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Store addition on east side - good example of a Victorian storefront

RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

See Uniontown Md - A Walling Town, especially photo on p. 12

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. C. Dept of Planning

DATE RECORDED:

9/84

INTRODUCTION

Uniontown—A Walking Tour

As you approach Uniontown in your car, you are traveling through the rolling hillsides of Piedmont Maryland. The topography sharply levels off as you enter Uniontown, providing an ideal site for the town. Try to imagine what the area looked like when it was sparsely settled with small farmsteads. Some of the vistas around the town, comprised of fields and woodland with an isolated farmhouse and barn, might help to stir the imagination. During this early period, the road would be dirt, you would be walking or traveling by horse, and there would be more trees and fewer cleared fields along the way. Almost every house would have a log pump nearby. As you entered the village, the level stretch of the town site would provide a pleasant respite from the arduous up-hill and down-hill course of your travels.

This is a long walking tour so drive through Uniontown completely before beginning the tour. At a leisurely 25 mph or less pace, look over the scale of the town and its distinguishing architecture. Determine the time that it will take you to cover the territory—once you get out of your car, you will probably lose track of your twentieth century sense of time and place. Also identify other particular needs, such as the time you have available or the direction of sunlight if you are taking photographs. The tour includes a description of every house along Uniontown Road, and you may decide to do only a portion of it, concentrating on what is most appealing to you after your drive-through.

The key to this tour is details. The drive through the town will present an overview of the distinct features of the architecture. As you walk, some of the more subtle details will become evident, such as the way a cornice is formed or the bonding pattern of a brick facade. Ornamentation on the late nineteenth century porches offers a broad range of geometrical patterns and arrangements. There are also details outside of the architecture that you may want to keep an eye open for, such as the hitching post in front of the Uniontown Academy or the mounting block at the Weaver-Fox House.

Park near the Uniontown General Store and Post Office because this is where the written tour begins in the oldest section of the town. Either on your arrival or departure, enter the store for refreshments—the old-time flavor that exudes from this village post office and general store should please your sensibilities as much as a soda or ice cream will refresh you.

Then begin—and enjoy!



Photograph courtesy of Thomas Devilbiss

Life on Main Street—Uniontown residents posed along the street in front of 3451 Uniontown Road for this late nineteenth century photograph. This picture clearly shows the one-story, one-bay front porch with benches at each side which is a feature used on many Uniontown houses during this period. Other representative details are the window and door trim, projecting storefront bays, lamppost, and brick sidewalk.



1. CARR-316 William A. Anders House
2. Carroll County, Maryland
3. Joe Getty
4. November, 1984
5. Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, MD
6. North & east elevation, camera facing
southwest
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