WO-89 c. 1820
All Hallows Episcopal Church Rectory
Snow Hill
Private

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: ALL HALLOWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH RECTORY

MHT Inventory Number: WO-89

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE

2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE

3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s): AGRARIAN/INDUSTRIAL TRANSITION 1815-1870

4) Resource Type(s): Single-family dwelling

Survey No. WO-89

Magi No.

DOE ___yes ___no

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic ALL HALLOWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH RECTORY

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 109 West Federal Street ___ not for publication

city, town Snow Hill ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	_x_ occupied	___ agriculture	___ museum
_x_ building(s)	_x_ private	___ unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational	_x_ private residence
___ site	**Public Acquisition**	**Accessible**	___ entertainment	___ religious
___ object	___ in process	_x_ yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	_x_ not applicable	___ no	___ military	___ other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Vestry of All Hallows Episcopal Church

street & number telephone no.:

city, town Snow Hill state and zip code MD 21863

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Clerk of Court liber GMH 6

street & number Worcester County Courthouse folio 303

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Maryland Historic Sites Inventory

date 1970 ___ federal _x_ state ___ county ___ local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Annapolis state MD 21401

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
___ excellent	___ deteriorated	___ unaltered	x original site
x good	___ ruins	x altered	___ moved date of move _____
___ fair	___ unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The All Hallows Episcopal church rectory, historically known as the Thomas T. Dorman house or the Devereux house, stands at 109 West Federal Street in the center of Snow Hill, Worcester County, Maryland.

Built around 1820, this two-story, side hall/double-pile frame house is supported on a brick foundation with a partially excavated cellar. The original beaded weatherboards are now covered with vinyl siding, and the steeply pitched gable roof is sheathed with asphalt shingles. The main house was enlarged by an east end additon around the time of the Civil War.

The northwest (main) elevation is an asymmetrical facade with a side entrance and flanking nine-over-nine sash windows. Sheltering the front door is an early twentieth century gable-roof stoop. A six-panel front door is topped by a round arched fanlight. The molding around the fanlight is interrupted at the top with a molded keystone. The adjacent windows are flanked by vinyl shutters. Lighting the second floor are three nine-over-six sash windows also hung with vinyl shutters. The cornice is original and trimmed with period bed and crown moldings. The fascia below the cornice is decorated with an arched drilled decoration.

The west gable end is three bays across with two nine-over-nine sash windows lighting the first floor, while a side door fills the southernmost bay. A screened porch has been built over the side entrance. The second floor is lighted by three evenly spaced nine-over-six sash windows. A pair of six-over-three sash windows provide light to the attic on each side of an interior end brick stack. A large round window was centered in the upper gable end, but the layer of vinyl siding has covered it. The eave is finished with a heavily molded bargeboard.

The east gable end of the early nineteenth century house was fully covered by a Civil War era two-story single-bay addition with twelve-over-twelve first floor sash and nine-over-six second floor windows. A cross gable was built atop the addition, and it is pierced by a six-over-six sash window. An interior brick chimney protrudes through the roof to serve the dining room and kitchen as well as the additional bedrooms.

The interior of the original house has survived largely intact with well preserved examples of Federal style woodwork. The hall is visually divided by molded arch of Federal style trim and fluted medallions. The stair rises in the southeast corner of the hall where a slender newel post a rectangular balusters support a circular profile handrail. The stringer is decorated with a scrolled pattern-book style trim. A four-panel door opens into the stair closet. Bulls-eye block surrounds frame the various door and window openings, and early nineteenth century chair rail trims the perimeter of the room.

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
___ prehistoric	___ archeology-prehistoric	___ community planning	___ landscape architecture	_x_ religion
___ 1400–1499	___ archeology-historic	___ conservation	___ law	___ science
___ 1500–1599	___ agriculture	___ economics	___ literature	___ sculpture
___ 1600–1699	_x_ architecture	___ education	___ military	___ social/ humanitarian
___ 1700–1799	___ art	___ engineering	___ music	___ theater
_x_ 1800–1899	___ commerce	___ exploration/settlement	___ philosophy	___ transportation
___ 1900–	___ communications	___ industry	___ politics/government	___ other (specify)
		___ invention		

Specific dates **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: __A __B _xC __D
and/or
Applicable Exception: __A __B __C __D __E __F __G

Level of Significance: __national __state _xlocal

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The All Hallows Episcopal church rectory is an early nineteenth century frame house that distinguishes the south side of West Federal Street. Built around 1820, the two-story, side hall/parlor dwelling is distinctive for its exterior finishes including an arched fanlight over the six-panel front door and an exterior drilled fascia. Around the time of the Civil War the house was extended with a substantial service wing addition. The interior of the original house survives with much of its finely crafted period woodwork. Several of the motifs, such as the oval fluted medallions and the Federal stair decoration, are tied to other contemporary houses, such as Salem, WO-111, and the Levin Townsend house, WO-105. A rare survivor on this property is the small brownstone stepstone marked with the raised letters spelling, "Rectory."

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____ **Quadrangle scale** _____

UTM **References** do NOT complete UTM references

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
A				B			
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

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All Hallows Episcopal Church rectory description (continued)

The adjacent parlor is fitted with Federal style woodwork with an original mantel framing the fireplace. Slender colonnettes support a five-part frieze with three decorated blocks. The mantel shelf is stepped and molded. A double-door opening in the middle wall opens into a smaller back room. The mantel in the back room is simpler with single columns under a block frieze and stepped mantel shelf. A six-panel door opens onto the side porch. The bookshelves are twentieth century additions.

The second floor of the original house is divided into three rooms that open off the upstairs hall. The two west rooms retain period mantels and trim. An enclosed stair rises to the plastered attic, which is divided into two rooms with a board and batten door piercing the partition. Double-struck cut nails are evident in the exposed sections of the framing. Sheared off nails are visible on the east face of the old gable end studs now covered by the Civil War era addition.

The interior of the addition is finished in an ordinary manner without unusual period features. The kitchen has been remodeled.

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1. STATE Maryland
COUNTY Worcester
TOWN Snow Hill VICINITY
STREET NO. 109 Federal St.

ORIGINAL OWNER
ORIGINAL USE dwelling
PRESENT OWNER Vestry of All Hallows
PRESENT USE dwelling
WALL CONSTRUCTION frame
NO. OF STORIES 2

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY
INVENTORY WO-89

2. NAME 109 Federal St.

DATE OR PERIOD c. 1800-1810
STYLE Federal
ARCHITECT
BUILDER

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION OPEN TO PUBLIC NO

The Episcopal Rectory is a good Federal House that was originally three bays long and three bays deep but has had the addition of another bay to the east which has a gable. The entrance has an "A" roof portico above the door which is flanked by fluted pilasters having sunbursts in the capitals but nothing above them. There is a fanlight above the door. It is located on the easternmost side of the original portion. The structure is built of frame on a brick foundation and is covered with beaded clapboard. The windows are very tall on both floors, having nine over nine sash on first story and nine over six on second story, all having green louvered shutters. The cornice has a facia with flat modillion blocks and swags of drill holes between each block. In the gable are two small windows with three over six sash and on the same side is a small screened

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE Endangered NO Interior Exterior good

porch off the back bay, now a door.

The house is of interest because it represents the early nineteenth-century style of house for Snow Hill. The style varies in Berlin by having its entrance on the gable end.

6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)

7. PHOTOGRAPH

8. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)
INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER
Michael Bourne
Maryland Historical Trust

DATE OF RECORD Nov. 1969

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ALL HALLOWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH RECTORY
Chain of title

Tombstone in
All Hallows Cemetery
Lot #929

Mrs. Susan Devereux
Died March 5, 1843
Age-about 55 years

erected by the Vestry of All Hallows Parish, Worcester County, Maryland in consideration of having bequeathed her late residence and lot to the Vestry in trust for the benefit of said Parish

G.M.H. 6/303

Littleton K. Deverix

to

3/25/1843

Vestry of All Hallows Parish

$468.33 all his title claim & interest House and Lot in Town of Snow Hill whereon the said Littleton now resides being parts of Lots 80 & 81 being all that House and Lot or Lots in the Town aforesaid of which Thomas T. Dorman died siezed or possessed and which the said Thomas T. Dorman in and by his last Will & Testament devised to his widow Susan Dorman whom the said Littleton afterwards intermarried & which said House & Lot or Lots the said Littleton and Susan his wife on or about the fourth of March 1843 by deed conveyed to a certain William Harper & which te said William on or about the day last aforesaid reconveyed to the said Littleton and Susan his wife during their joint lives and the life of the survivor of them and after their death to the said Vestry of All Hallows Parish. ALSO all OF that Lot, OR ALL OF THOSE LOTS, situate is said Co. on lane commonly called New Lane near said Town....as House & lot being part of parts of a Tract of land called Snow Hill

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ALL HALLOWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH RECTORY
Chain of title

G.M.H. 6/218	Littleton Devereaux & Susan Devereaux his wife
	to
3/4/1843	William P. Harper
	$5 House and lot lying on the lane called New Lane near the town of Snow Hill
G.M.H. 6/217	William P. Harper
	to
3/4/1843	Littleton Devereaux and Susan Devereaux his wife & All Hallows Parish
	To have & hold the said lands & premises unto the said Littleton and Susan his wife for and during their joint lives and the live of the survivor of them upon the following conditions if the said Littleton shall survive the said Susan the said Littleton is to have and to hold said lands and premises for and during his natural life upon the following conditions to wit provided the said Littleton continue to live single and unmarried and provided also that he the said Littleton lives a temperate and sober life and after the death of the said Littleton and Susan and in the event that the said Littleton should survive the said Susan and shall marry again or become intemperate then and in those events to hold the said lands and premises with the appurtenances unto the said Vestry of All Hallows Parish in Worcester County.

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Chain of title

Will Book
MH 519

4/20/1832

1877 Lake Graham and Stevenson Atlas
All Italians Episcopal Church Rectory
No-99
OCOMOKE
RIVER
ROSSER ALLEY
Jas. Purnell
I. T. Mathews
Sturgis
H. S. Stevenson
Presby. Parsonage
Heirs of Dr. W. H. Farrow
Wm. Mills
RIS ST.
MARTIN
H. S. Stevenson
Public School No 5
Wm. Mills
S. Clayville
L. Nairne
G. C. Townsend
GUNBY ALLEY
MARKET
E. P. Morris
S. T. Johnson
F. W. Marshall
WATER ST.
G. W. Purnell
Geo C. Townsend
E. K. Richardson
J. M. Carrey
F. W. Marshall
J. W. Smith
Geo M. Upshur
FEDERAL
ROAD
Richardson
CHURCH ST.
G. W. Covington
Dr. G. W. Bishop
Dr. G. W. Bishop & E. R. Richardson
P. E. Parsonage
P. D. Collingham
Geo W. Purnell
Dr. E. W. Marshall
P. E. Ch. & Cemetery
G. T. Bratton
G. W. Covington
J. E. Timmons
Mrs. C. J. Hack
T. B. Messick
Presby. Ch. & Cemetery
S. Howard
B. Harman
J. R. Franklin
T. Z. Johnson
H. J. Claville
A. Nelson
G. W. Covington & Dr. G. W. Bishop
Miss F. Powell
J. H. Selby
J. G. Messick
M. E. Brewington
C. P. Collins
FRANKLIN ALLEY
Geo H. Richardson
Court House
Jails
W. C. Bratten
H. S. Stevenson
Payne & Jarman
G. W. Purnell
G. W. Purnell
G. S. Richardson
BANK ST.
PEARL ST.
Heirs of W. S. Moore
WASHINGTON ST.
H. J. Claville
Capt. S. H. Wilson
Wm. Jones
M. E. Ch. & Cemetery
Mrs. A. W. Jenkins
S. H. Jarman
Dr. J. S. Aydelott
Mrs. A. Jenkins
Wm. H. Briddell
F. W. Muller
Geo W. Purnell
G. S. Payne
Capt. W. E. Timmons
W. D. Barnes
Mrs. Dickerson
Chas. Parker
J. S. Nelson
COLLINS ST.
J. R. P. Moore
J. F. Collins
Wm. Cordrey
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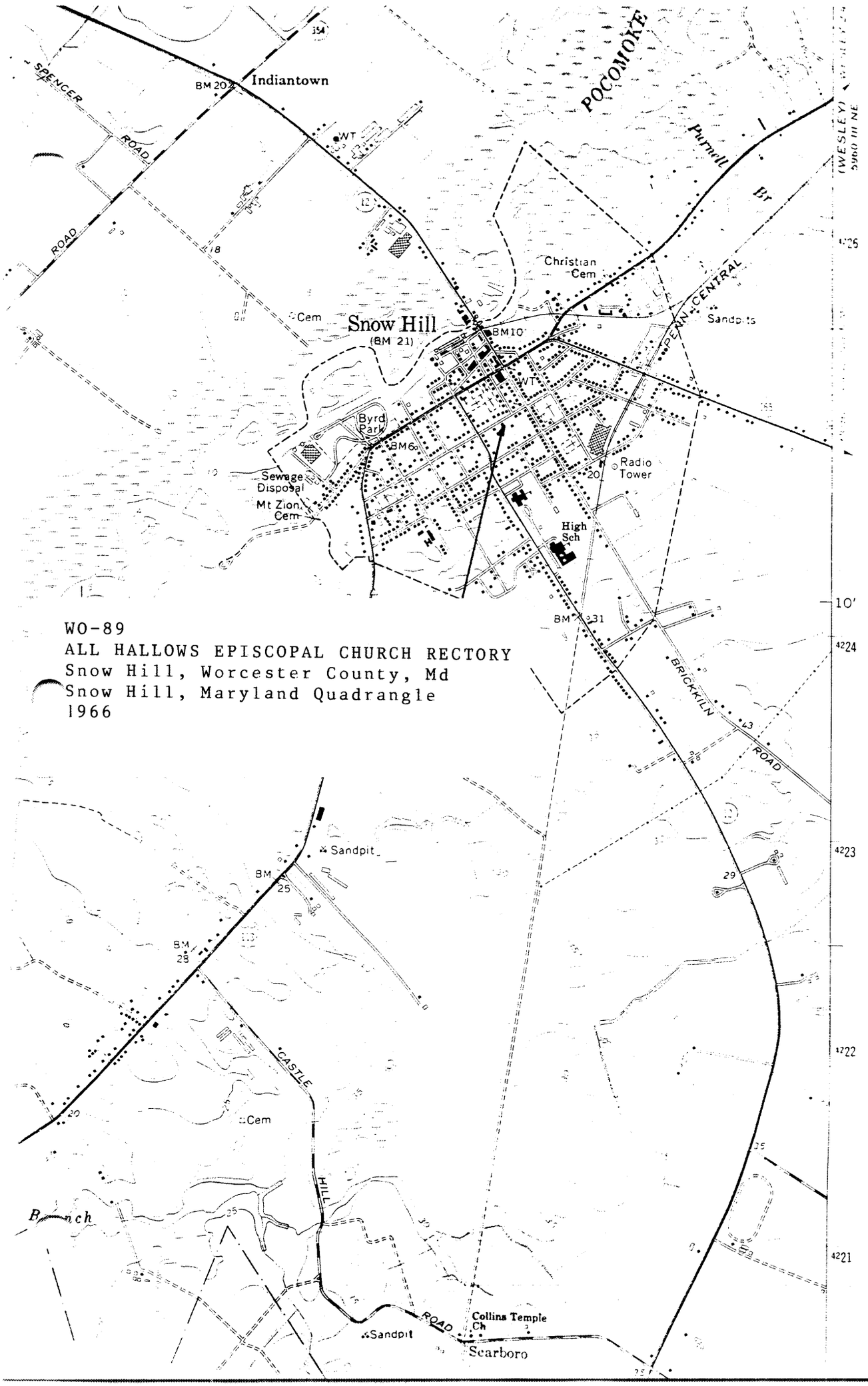
L. B. Purnell
J. Sturgis
Capt. P. Smith
John Purnell
L. A. Purnell
I. Townsend



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ALL HALLOWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH RECTORY
Snow Hill, Worcester County, Md
Snow Hill, Maryland Quadrangle
1966

All Hallows Episcopal Church Rectory
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