



City of Winchester

23 East Monmouth Street

Tax Map Number: 213-1-B- 22A-

DHR Resource Number: 138-0042-0823

Resources: 1 single dwelling; 1 barn

Date/Period: ca. 1860

Style: Vernacular

Sources: Sanborn Fire Insurance Company Maps; Quarles, *The Story of One Hundred Old Homes*



Architectural Description

Site Description: This single dwelling is located on the south side of East Monmouth Street and directly fronts the brick sidewalk. The dwelling is sited on a level grassy lot that features mature trees and shrubs, as well as foundation plantings. A brick walkway leads from the sidewalk and travels towards the rear of the property along the east (side) elevation of the dwelling. The rear yard of the property is bounded by a metal chain link fence.

Secondary Resource Summary: A barn is located south of the dwelling.

Primary Resource Description: This two-story, three-bay vernacular single dwelling was constructed circa 1860. Believed to be a log structure, the dwelling is clad with wood weatherboard siding and has wood corner boards. Set on a solid stone foundation of random rubble, the dwelling is capped by a side-gabled roof of standing-seam metal. The roof is finished with a boxed cornice and plain raking boards. An interior-end brick chimney rises from the west (side) elevation and pierces the roof at the ridge. The easternmost bay of the first story of the façade (north elevation) contains a single-leaf paneled wood door with an ogee-molded wood surround. The window openings on the façade contain 6/6, double-hung, wood-sash windows with ogee-molded wood surrounds. The first story windows have inoperable paneled wood shutters, while the second story windows have operable louvered wood shutters. The east (side) elevation is fenestrated with four-light wood casement window with square-edged wood surrounds.

A one-and-a-half-story addition is located on the southeast corner of the rear (south) elevation and was constructed circa 1950. The wood-frame addition is clad with beaded weatherboard siding and is set on a solid foundation. A front-gabled roof of standing-seam metal caps the addition. The roof is finished with a boxed cornice and plain raking boards. The eastern slope of the addition is pierced by a gabled dormer with a roof covered with standing-seam metal. The roof is finished with cornice returns and a raking wood cornice. The dormer cheeks are clad with diagonal wood weatherboard and it contains a 6/6, double-hung, wood-sash window. A centrally-placed single-leaf paneled wood door pierces the east elevation and is flanked by 6/6, double-hung, wood-sash windows with ogee-molded wood surrounds.

A one-story addition is located on the west elevation of the first addition and the rear elevation of the main block. This wood-frame addition has the same material treatment as the main block and was constructed circa 1950. A shed roof caps the addition and is covered with standing-seam metal. This addition was difficult to survey from the public right-of-way.

Secondary Resource Description: This one-story, three-bay barn is located south of the dwelling and was constructed circa 1950. The wood-frame barn is clad with wood weatherboard siding and is set on a solid foundation. A side-gabled roof of standing-seam metal caps the dwelling. The east elevation is fenestrated with double-leaf board-and-batten wood doors, a single-leaf wood door and a 6/6, double-hung, wood-sash window.

Significance Statement: This vernacular single dwelling, thought to be constructed of log, is representative of the domestic architecture constructed in the City of Winchester during the mid-nineteenth century. Walter Kidney, a local historian, recorded in his book *Winchester: Limestone, Sycamores, and Architecture* that this dwelling was constructed circa 1860. Judging by the form and materials and by using Sanborn Fire Insurance maps, a circa 1860 date of construction can be given. This single dwelling retains integrity of materials, workmanship, and design, despite the rear additions. Further, this dwelling retains integrity of location and setting. All of these aspects contribute to integrity of feeling and association. This single dwelling is a contributing resource to the Winchester Historic District under Criteria A and C.