



68-010-25 Harriet Ralston House

4206 Decatur Street

Hyattsville

Built in the 1880s, the Harriet Ralston House is a three-story, front-gabled frame house, distinguished by fine late-Victorian trim and a prominent three-story veranda. The third story of the veranda has been enclosed, but many of the decorative features of this level have been retained. The house was built as a retreat cottage for Harriet Ralston, mother of Jackson H. Ralston, who was one of early Hyattsville's most prominent civic leaders. Although altered, the house remains a fine example of a Victorian suburban retreat cottage.