

68-010-35 W. G. Lown House 4107 Gallatin Street Hyattsville

Built in 1891 for William G. Lown, a coffee wholesaler whose Greenleaf Coffee and Spice Mills firm was located in Washington, D.C., the Lown House is a large, two-and-one-half-story, crossgabled frame dwelling of irregular plan. The principal facade has a central projecting bay incorporated into a steeply pitched cross-gable. This cross-gable is embellished by an intricately molded vergeboard and a small decorative window in the gable peak. The lines are varied by an unusual small, pyramidal-roof dormer in the principal plane of the roof. Although the house underwent alterations in the 1940s, it retains significant original Victorian detail on both the interior and exterior.