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HISTORIC PRESERVATION SECTION

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

0713 5 20 HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY NO.

HISTORIC NAME:

George A. Miller House

LOCATION:

275 Claremont Avenue

COMMON NAME:

BLOCK/LOT

1508/20; 33-F/37

MUNICIPALITY:

Montclair

COUNTY:

Essex

USGS QUAD:

Orange

UTM REFERENCES:

OWNER/ADDRESS: Schultz, Gary W. & Susan R.

Zone/Northing/Easting

P. O. Box 885, Montclair, N. J. 07042

DESCRIPTION

Construction Date:

1886

Source of Date: "Scientific American

Architects and Builders

Builder:

Edition", July, 1886.

Queen Anne Style:

Architect: Christopher Myers

Christopher Myers

Form/Plan Type: Irregular

Number of Stories: 2½ + B

Foundation:

Random brownstone & concrete block.

Exterior Wall Fabric: Wood clapboard & wood shingles.

Fenestration: 6/1 D.H. sash; D.H. sash w/ multiple panes in upper sash; 1/1 sash,

single paned windows, & 2 windows w/ 9 lights each.

Roof/Chimneys: Intersecting gables w/ asphalt shingles. 2 brick chimneys.

Additional Architectural Description:

Raised front porch w/ turned railings & turned wood posts supporting a pent roof. Porch extends to a porte cochere.

Paneled & glazed entrance door appears to be original, as do stained glass portions of porch windows.

Decorative shingles & different window types characterize exterior, as do intersecting gables.

West roof shows a clipped gable w/ small, closely spaced brackets below.

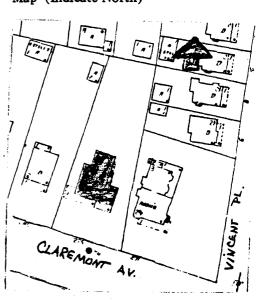
A distinctive grouping of 3 windows projects below the south & west gable peaks.

Trellis work motif shows on the west porch gable.

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Map (Indicate North)



SITING, BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION, AND RELATED STRUCTURES:

Lot size: 70' x 200' Less than one acre.

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Urban Suburban Scattered Buildings Open Space Woodland Residential Agricultural Village Industrial Downtown Commercial Highway Commercial Other
SIGNIFICANCE:
A distinctive example of the Queen Anne style. While the building is horizontal in emphasis, it does not conform to the more typical early Queen Anne houses which usually include a turret.
This property was originally owned by G.A.Miller. It was the first of many houses in Montclair to be featured in "Scientific American Architects and Builders Edition". The July 1886 issue contained a colored plate of the exterior, plans, specifications, and a fold-out sheet of drawings of architectural details. Its architect and builder, Christopher Myers, was a resident of Montclair and his work was regularly seen in numerous issues of "Scientific American". Colonel Miller, a New York lawyer who was active in the National Guard, lived here for a few years. He and his family resided for many years in Montclair (see #180 Grove Street).
ORIGINAL USE: PHYSICAL CONDITION: Excellent
REFERENCES: Robinson, E. Atlas of Essex County. New York: E. Robinson, 1890.
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