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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Marion Museum is a two story brick rectangular residence with a one and one-half story ell, and two small additions to the rear. The main portion of the building (possibly built in the 1860's as an addition to the smaller portion) has Italianate features - a gable roof, paired brackets under deep eaves and arched stone lintels over symmetrically arranged windows. Originally the front porch of wood with decorative posts stretched across the front of both portions of the structure. Only the smaller portion stands today. A dormer and new chimneys have been added.

On the interior five rooms are located on the first floor and three on the second floor. All woodwork is painted. Interesting interior features include a walnut stair rail and an Italian marble fireplace.

Attendant to the house is a handsome brick carriage house with a bracketed

hip roof and a louvered ventilator. It was constructed in 1879.

The Granger House and Carriage House rests on one and one-half acres and will be developed as an historical museum complex.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Marion Historical Museum is significant as a well preserved residence in the Victorian-Italianate style. Believed to have been built in the 1860's by Charles Myers, the residence was purchased in 1876 by Earl Granger whose family owned the property until 1973. Granger was responsible for some improvements on the property. He built the carriage house in 1879 and added a room to the house in 1880.

Son of Samuel Granger, of Vermont, Earl Granger operated his father's 300 acre farm north of Marion and purchased the Tenth Street property which was to become part of the Myers addition to Marion. Granger expanded his activities to those of a cattle feeder and a meat marketeer. On his own property he raised Morgan driving hourses.

Few brick Italianate houses remain is such good condition as this one and few may be seen with their carriage houses preserved.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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