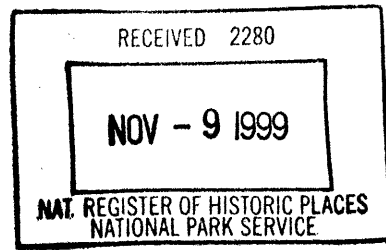


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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Keyser/Cullen House

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 941 East 500 South N/A not for publication

city or town Salt Lake City N/A vicinity

state Utah code UT county Salt Lake code 035 zip code 84102

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

William A. Mat 11/2/99
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

Utah Division of State History, Office of Historic Preservation
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain): _____

Edson H. Beall 12/9/99
Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

Keyser/Cullen House
Name of Property

Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Utah
City, County, and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Non-contributing	
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	sites
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A _____

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

N/A _____

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling _____
DOMESTIC: multiple dwelling _____

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC: single dwelling _____

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

MID-19TH CENTURY: Gothic Revival _____
OTHER: Vernacular _____
OTHER: Cross Wing _____

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation STONE: sandstone _____
walls BRICK, STUCCO _____
roof ASPHALT _____
other Porch trim: WOOD _____

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

X See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 7

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" on one or more lines for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" on all that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

X See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 8

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

INDUSTRY: brewing, mining, stock raising

Period of Significance

c.1879-1918

Significant Dates

c.1879

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Matthew Cullen

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Name of repository:

X See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 9

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property .51 acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

A 1/2 4/2/7/1/2/0 4/5/1/2/1/4/0 B 1 1/1/1/1 1/1/1/1/1
Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

C 1 1/1/1/1 1/1/1/1/1 D 1 1/1/1/1 1/1/1/1/1

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property.)

COM AT SW COR LOT 2 BLK 29 PLAT B SALT LAKE CITY SUR; N 236 FT; E 95 FT; S 236 FT; W 95 FT TO BEG.

Property Tax No.
16-05-334-011

 See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 10

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundaries are those which were historically, and continue to be associated with the property.

 See continuation sheet(s) for Section No. 10

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Kathleen Scott, Jennifer A. Breme, & Utah SHPO Staff

organization _____ date October 8, 1999

street & number 300 Rio Grande telephone 801/533-3559

city or town Salt Lake City state UT zip code 84101

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Continuation Sheets**
- **Maps:** A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
A **Sketch map** for historic districts and/or properties having large acreage or numerous resources.
- **Photographs:** Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.
- **Additional Items** (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items.)

Property Owner

name Edward & Kathleen Scott

street & number 941 East 500 South telephone 801/322-5288

city or town Salt Lake City state UT zip code 84102

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Narrative Description

The Keyser/Cullen House, built c.1879, is a two-story, brick and stucco cross wing-type house on a sandstone foundation, with a gabled roof. The style of the house is best described as a vernacular version of the Gothic Revival, although some of the defining trim and other details have been removed over the decades. Still, enough of the decorative elements are retained to describe the house as Gothic Revival. The house sits on a half-acre of land in an urban setting only a few blocks from downtown Salt Lake City, and is surrounded by other residences both historic and nonhistoric. In spite of major alterations that have occurred on the exterior (most of them quite early from the historic period), the house retains its architectural integrity.

The front (south) facade of the house is dominated by the gable end of a two-story cross wing on the east end. This lends an asymmetrical, Gothic Revival appearance to an otherwise classically proportioned building. A c.1887 drawing of the house reveals that there was a bay window with second-story balcony located on the gable end of the cross wing. This was later replaced with a two-story, enclosed square bay that was built sometime between 1900 and 1911 (when the square bay appears on the Sanborn map). Windows on the bay are similar to those on the rest of the building, being one-over-one, double-hung wooden sashes. The other windows on the historic portion of the house are vertically divided, two-over-two, double-hung sashes. Other Picturesque elements include bargeboard trim in the cross wing gable, wooden balustrades and columns on the porch, decorative lintels over the windows, and two tall, brick chimneys (which have been stuccoed). The early drawing reveals that there was a widow's walk located on the roof, as well as a finial at the cross wing gable, and decorative wood trim on the bay window. These elements have since been removed.

The building's original conception was not a cross wing but possibly a west-facing double cell or hall parlor, with the wing to the west being a later addition, probably mid-to-late 1880s.¹ The earliest Sanborn map of the area is from 1898, which shows the building basically as it is now. According to the map, it was constructed of brick, but it was probably stuccoed quite early. The south-facing facade of the main portion of the house is symmetrically organized into four bays, with four doors (originally windows that were enlarged probably in the 1930s) on the main level and four windows on the second level, immediately above the doors. This gives the appearance of a two-story double cell—an early vernacular house type—and would seem to be the original house. This assumption, however, is contradicted by other physical evidence, namely the overlapping of the cross wing roof by the stem

¹Evidence in the attic reveals the original roof and exterior brick wall with chimney (now on the interior) of the main portion of the house. This portion was apparently either a double-cell or hall-parlor type house that originally faced west and was expanded in a series of additions. The main wing that now faces south on the street appears to be the later addition. The roof added after the cross-wing addition covers this portion, leaving an approximately five-foot space.

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wing's roof (as visible in the attic), which indicates that the cross wing was built first.² Immediately to the right of the rightmost door is the main entrance which skews the symmetry of this facade somewhat. A covered porch runs the full length of this portion and wraps around to the west facade. The porch retains its Picturesque-period columns and balustrade.

A couple of non-historic additions have been made at the rear of the house. These include a kitchen and a study area. These do not appear on the 1949 Sanborn map, and were built sometime after this date. The bay located at the northeast corner of the house appears on the 1898 map, and apparently was added to the house c.1890. The roof of the bay was altered in 1996 to connect better with the main roof of the house. Also at this time, a flat roof was added over a large portion toward the rear of the house. This was done to remedy a situation where two parallel gables met, creating a valley that allowed water to pool and leak through.

Although cosmetic changes have been made to portions of the interior it remains close to the historic plan. Bathrooms have been added and some redefining of room usage has occurred. A majority of the alterations appear to have occurred from the 1960s up to the early 1990s. The most apparent being the widening of two doorways, the alteration of a fireplace, and addition of false box beams in the living room. The pitch of the ceiling in a first-floor room was altered to a hipped ceiling with raised center panel so that it could be used as a chapel for the Oblates; the closets in the same room were also enlarged. Skylights were added in the attic sometime during this period as well. Two extant hatchways are found in the dining room and hallway; these lead to cellars below the house.³ The current owners have recently renovated the kitchen and one second level bathroom and porch area, and are in the process of restoring the rest of the house.

The house is located in an urban setting in a neighborhood with houses from various eras. In the yard are located several mature, deciduous trees. A noncontributing garage of concrete-block construction on a sandstone foundation is located behind the house. This replaced the original carriage house at an unknown date. Also directly behind the house is a noncontributing six-car garage. This is of wood, drop-siding construction and was built c.1950. A noncontributing swimming pool was constructed in 1953.

²This narrow-end-to-the-street orientation is a bit atypical, since most houses of the 1870s period were built with their broad sides facing the street. One of the main exceptions to this was the temple form house. Another explanation for this unusual orientation may be the steep hillside on which the house was built. It may have been easier to set the broad side of the house into the hillside rather than try to extend and support it down the hillside.

³The original use of these two rooms is unknown. Approximately 6'x8'x6' high, and lined with plaster and concrete, they could have been cisterns since there is a 6" pipe that enters the one room at the ceiling level. One of the rooms has an unusual ceiling comprised of railroad rail joists separated by arched vaults of lath-work that was never plastered. According to family folklore, these underground rooms connected the house to the Salt Lake City Brewery through a series of tunnels, although no evidence has been discovered that proved these tunnels ever existed.

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Narrative Statement of Significance

The Keyser/Cullen House, constructed c.1879⁴, is significant under Criteria B and C. It is significant under Criterion B for its association with Matthew Cullen, a prominent Salt Lake City businessman and entrepreneur who lived here for thirty-five years, from 1883 to 1918. Cullen made significant contributions to the development of mining in Utah and the Intermountain west, and was also involved in other businesses, including the Salt Lake Brewing Company, one of the city's earliest breweries. Cullen was also highly involved in the railroad industry in Utah and Wyoming. Architecturally, the building is significant under Criterion C as a fairly large and unique example of a cross wing-type house with vernacular Gothic Revival details. Although the house has received some minor cosmetic alteration, it still maintains its historic and architectural integrity and contributes to the history of the neighborhood.

Historical Significance

In September 1879, Aaron Keyser purchased from Cynthia Burns a large piece of property next to the Salt Lake City Brewery where he would build his residence. Aaron was born on August 22, 1829, in the town known as Oxford (now Belvidere), New Jersey, the son of George and Mary Fullmer Keyser. At the age of 21 he became involved in the hide and leather business in Pennsylvania. At the close of the Civil War he moved south, investing in land in Virginia and Georgia. Eventually he expanded his land acquisitions, purchasing a ranch in Lincoln, Nebraska. After driving cattle to Cheyenne, Wyoming, he decided to travel to San Francisco, via Salt Lake City. In his absence, Indians stole half of his herd. After returning to Wyoming to collect what remained of the cattle, Keyser settled in Utah, where he continued to be highly involved in the livestock and other business enterprises. His business interests were diverse and included not only tanning, real estate, and cattle, but also sheep raising, lumbering (Parker Depue Lumbering Company), mining, and loan making.⁵

In 1875, Keyser joined with Jacob Moritz as co-owner of the Salt Lake Brewing Company⁶(demolished, except for a 1905 office and bottling works). The brewing industry was quite important in Utah. From the time the first brewery opened in the state in 1867 until the Utah Prohibition in 1917⁷, breweries

⁴This was the year Keyser was deeded the property. One source states that Aaron Keyser built the residence in 1871 (see "Diocese Buys Landmark Home in S.L.," Salt Lake Tribune, July 8, 1962). Also, a listing in the 1874 Salt Lake City Directory states that a Wm. Burns (Keyser purchased his property from a Cynthia Burns) lived in the 10th Ward at 5th South (500 South) between 1000 and 1100 East. This would place him a block east of where the Keyser/Cullen house is. However, the address could be a typographical error. So it is possible that Burns actually constructed the house then later sold it to Keyser.

⁵Deseret News, (December 25, 1914), p.10.

⁶ Also known as the Tenth-Ward Brewery for its location within the boundaries of the LDS Tenth Ward.

⁷Utah actually passed a statewide prohibition in 1917, several years prior to the passage of the 18th Amendment.

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played an important role in the local economy. According to a 1904 history of Utah, there were four major breweries in the state producing 800,000 barrels of beer annually at an average value of eight dollars per barrel.⁸ From the inception of the Salt Lake Brewery in 1871 until 1917, the company saw steady annual growth and profits.

In 1879, Keyser married Henrietta Ayres Depue, also of Belvidere, New Jersey. That same year he purchased the property one-half block to the west of the brewery, and possibly had the house constructed at that time. The location of the house was convenient for Keyser's operation of the brewery. Aaron and Henrietta lived here probably until July 1883, when he deeded the house to Matthew Cullen. Aaron then worked for A. Fisher Brewing Company, also in Salt Lake City. He and Henrietta continued to reside in Salt Lake City until moving to New Jersey in 1890 for a short time. In 1894, Henrietta passed away, and Aaron married again in 1896, to Ann Opdyke, of Plainfield, New Jersey, after which the couple returned to Salt Lake City for a few years.⁹ Some of the major business interests he was involved in included: Zion Savings Bank & Trust Company, Bell Telephone Company, Silver King Coalition, Utah Idaho Sugar Company, Union Pacific, and several others. Keyser Passed away on December 24, 1914, at the age of 85. The following was recorded in the Keyser Company Board of Directors meeting:

WHEREAS, his long life of rectitude and hard labor well directed was rewarded with smiles of fortune and the good will of his fellow men so that he leaves as a heritage to his surviving family and to the Company he founded, not only a substantial accumulation of property, but, what is greater and better than this, an untarnished name, the universal respect of the public, and the example of an active useful life, well and successfully lived.¹⁰

Matthew Cullen purchased the house from Keyser in 1883 for \$15,000, quite a large sum of money for the time. Cullen furnished the house with expensive furnishings shipped from the east, providing it with an air of elegance to match its large size. Under Cullen's ownership the property was landscaped with elaborate and well-maintained gardens to provide an atmosphere of the old South, where he had spent several years earlier in life. Cullen was also reported to have employed servants in the southern tradition.¹¹

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⁸George E. Blair & R.W. Sloan, The Mountain Empire Utah, (Salt Lake City, Utah: George E. Blair & R.W. Sloan, 1904),

⁹None of Keyser's later residences are extant. After remarrying, Aaron changed residences in Salt Lake City quite frequently, as well as moving between Utah and New Jersey a couple of times.

¹⁰A. Keyser Company Minutes, 1906-1916, (Paul Keyser, Utah Paper Box Co., Salt Lake City, Utah).

¹¹Based on an interview with Julie McCarty, Cullen's granddaughter. Interview by Kathy Scott.

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Cullen's life previous to settling in Utah was in some ways similar to that of Aaron Keyser. Born in Ireland on July 17, 1840, to Patrick and Catherine Rice Cullen, Matthew emigrated with his family to the United States in 1852, settling in Maryland. After apprenticing as a blacksmith at the age of fourteen, Matthew worked in the trade for three years before heading west, driving a team across the plains to Fort Bridger, Wyoming. He spent the next few years herding cattle and freighting between Fort Bridger and Fort Laramie. He was then placed in charge of government stock at what is now Stockton, where he remained until May 1860. Matthew then returned to Maryland after a stop at New Mexico with the United States Army. With the outbreak of the Civil War, Cullen embarked on an active and short-lived military career. He was stationed in several areas, and served in the First Division, Twentieth Corps, which accompanied General Sherman on his march through Atlanta. After the war he returned to Maryland for a short visit with his mother and sister before traveling to Chicago to secure the release of his brother, who had been a Confederate soldier, from the Camp Douglas military prison.

From this point, Cullen continued west, ending up in Denver, Colorado, in the autumn of 1865. He became involved with mining for a couple of years, and then in 1867 became a railroad contractor, assisting in the construction of the Union Pacific line through Utah and Wyoming. He subsequently moved to Echo, Utah, where he made freighting trips between there and Salt Lake City. He also shuttled passengers to the mines and the railroads. His career path then took another turn when he became a prospector. Along with James C. O'Neil he discovered the rich Star District mines in Beaver County, Utah, and also became a part owner of the Horn Silver Mine near Frisco, in Beaver County in 1876. With an investment of \$25,000, Cullen and his three partners, A.G. Campbell, Dennis Ryan, and A. Byram would become owners of one of the richest silver mines in the world at the time.¹² The partnership sold the mine three years later for \$5,000,000.¹³

Cullen also became highly involved in real estate and his business activities contributed much to the development of the state. Along with his involvement with mines (which was not limited to Utah alone), he also owned the Cullen Hotel (demolished) in Salt Lake City, and the Gault House in Chicago, Illinois. He later purchased interest in the Salt Lake Brewing Company, where he served as president (later, this would become the Cullen Ice and Beverage Company). It was most likely this association with the Salt Lake Brewery that Cullen met Aaron Keyser, although no documentation mentions anything about their acquaintanceship.

It seems to have been common practice for brewery owners in Salt Lake City to live near their breweries. Albert Fisher¹⁴, a major brewer in the city lived near his brewery; Keyser lived here until

¹²Martha Sonntag Bradley, A History of Beaver County. (Beaver, Utah: Beaver County Commission, 1999), 118.

¹³ibid., 112.

¹⁴Albert Fisher's house (1206 West 200 South, Salt Lake City) is listed on the National Register.

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Cullen became president of Salt Lake Brewery and purchased the house. Brewery workers also apparently lived in this neighborhood. According to long-time residents, Fletcher Court houses (north of the Keyser/Cullen House) housed supervisors of the brewery, while the modest frame houses of nearby East Place and Dresden Place accommodated rank-and-file workers.

Matthew married Emma J. Thompson on December 19, 1878. Emma was the niece of the Honorable Ezra Thompson, who was then mayor of Salt Lake City. Her parents, Edward and Julia Thompson, were early settlers in Utah. This union produced two daughters, Nellie M. and Julia Catherine. Unfortunately, Emma died ten years after their marriage, on June 18, 1888. Later, at an unspecified date, Matthew remarried to Emma's sister, Nellie Thompson Rasche. After a very prolific life of rising from poverty to become a successful businessman and entrepreneur, Matthew passed away on February 27, 1918. He willed the house to Nellie, and it remained in the family for at least three generations.

Nellie transferred title in 1920 to her daughter Nellie and her husband, Frederick H. Leonard, who succeeded Cullen as president of the brewery. They resided in the house for more than thirty years. After World War II, a portion the house was divided into apartments, although the Leonards continued to reside there.¹⁵ In 1952, the Leonards transferred title to their daughter and son-in-law, Margaret and Richard Pollock. They retained ownership for ten more years before selling the house in 1962 to the Catholic Diocese of Salt Lake City, for use as a residence for the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales, many of whom taught at Judge Memorial Catholic High School in Salt Lake City. Matthew Cullen was a devoted Catholic, and apparently this devotion passed down through the generations. Some changes were made to the building during the period that the diocese owned it to accommodate the religious purposes of its use. This included the transformation of a room to accommodate a chapel. There have been several subsequent owners since the diocese sold the building in 1987. The current owners are in the process of restoring the building to the pre-World War II residential floor plan and appearance.

Architectural Significance

The Keyser/Cullen House is an early example of a two-story cross wing-type house in an area of Salt Lake City that remained relatively undeveloped for approximately a decade after the house's construction, c.1879. Although of brick construction, the house was stuccoed quite early. The earliest Sanborn map shows the house with basically the same footprint as it has now, sans some minor rear additions. However, it was not originally a cross wing plan, having received the west wing sometime in the 1880s.¹⁶ Architectural evidence reveals that the original house was either a double-cell or hall-parlor type house that backed up against the hillside perpendicular to the street. It appears that

¹⁵Grace Gether, "1947 Home Echoes Past," newspaper article, (newspaper name not provided in photocopy, c.1947). "1947" date in title is somewhat misleading, referring to the then-current date rather than the date of construction.

¹⁶A drawing of the house from 1887 shows the crosswing in place.

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various sections were added over time with the large, south facing cross wing being the last major section added.

The cross wing house plays a ubiquitous role in Utah. Because Mormon town planning based on Joseph Smith's "Plat of the City of Zion" was promoted, nucleated villages were set up in a grid-iron fashion. With a prescribed number of lots per block, housing, a garden, and a small family farm were incorporated into each homestead. Houses were usually placed at the corner of the lot nearest the intersection of the streets which left two sides of the house as potential formal facades. With symmetry being a principle concern in the design of a house, the ambiguity of placement was somewhat disconcerting to the designers. But house builders devised solutions that were also in keeping with changing architectural trends. By adding another wing to the common single-cell or hall-parlor, another less-formal facade was created so that there was now an entrance onto both streets. With the addition of the wing the classical form of the house was altered to a Victorian type. Thus, not only was space increased, but the entire appearance of the house was updated as well.¹⁷ The familiar, and proven, hall parlor plan was maintained with the addition of another room, usually in the form of a kitchen.

By approximately 1880, cross wings were being constructed as a general type, rather than just as additions to previously existing homes, although cross-wing additions continued to be a popular way to update and enlarge an existing home. The cross wing ushered in the Victorian house type in Utah that would dominate through the first decade of the twentieth century. No longer was this type limited to corner lots but was commonly being constructed mid-block in Salt Lake City's larger blocks. This is the case with the Keyser/Cullen House. Because neither Keyser nor Cullen were Mormon might also explain the mid-block location of the house rather than on the corner.

Although some of the architectural detailing has been removed from the Keyser/Cullen House over the years, enough is retained to describe the style as vernacular Gothic Revivalism. The porch balustrade and simple gable with bargeboard trim on an otherwise classically inspired building seem to reference the Gothic Revival more than they do the Victorian Eclectic. Gothic Revival is a form of picturesque expression in architecture that was popular in Utah from approximately 1865-85. The style was developed on the premise that the Classical styles (which had been the styles of choice since settlement in 1847), were artificial and in contrast to natural forms. Romanticism was making inroads to the American's way of life, and Gothic Revival architecture, with its asymmetrical and vertical massing, sometimes complicated decorative schemes, and use of rich colors and various materials, was the architectural rendition of this natural ideal.¹⁸ There are only sixteen Gothic Revival buildings documented in Salt Lake City. Gothic Revival houses in Utah range from the very simple vernacular (a

¹⁷Keith Bennett & Thomas Carter, "Houses with Two Fronts: The Evolution of Domestic Architectural Design in a Mormon Community," *Journal of Mormon History*, Volume 15, (Provo, UT: Mormon History Association, 1989, 49-50).

¹⁸Thomas Carter and Peter Goss, *Utah's Historic Architecture, 1847-1940: A Guide*, Salt Lake City, Utah: University of Utah Press, 1988, 102-103.

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Classical house type with a single gabled dormer), to very elaborate. The Keyser Cullen House, although quite large, is a more vernacular demonstration of the style.

The location of the house and the brewery along the east bench of Salt Lake City probably occurred because of the lack of desirable farmland in the area. The location of the brewery within the boundaries of the Salt Lake City Tenth Ward of the LDS church is of significance. There were many industries, commercial enterprises, and businesses located in the area, and thus the ward was known as a ward of industry, but little remains of any of the original industries in the area, (however, the later Salt Lake Brewery office and bottling works, built in 1905, still remain and currently function as a bed and breakfast). Because of the dichotomy between the Mormon's and non-Mormon's lifestyles, individual areas of development, both commercial and residential, were demarcated and occurred throughout the city through the early twentieth century. The industrial make-up of the Tenth Ward area brought about sociological changes with non-Mormon, or "Gentile" infiltration into a primarily Mormon neighborhood. The Keyser/Cullen House is possibly the earliest remaining non-Mormon residence in the area.¹⁹ Salt Lake City Brewery operation, including the brewery, ice ponds, and outbuildings were demolished decades ago.

¹⁹A/P Associates Planning and Research, Salt Lake City Architectural Survey: Central/Southern Survey Area, (unpublished report, 1983, p.105-107).

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Common Label Information:

1. Keyser/Cullen House
2. Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Utah
3. Photographer: J. Cory Jensen
4. Date: August 1999
5. Negative on file at Utah SHPO.

Photo No. 1:

6. South elevation of building. Camera facing north.

Photo No. 2:

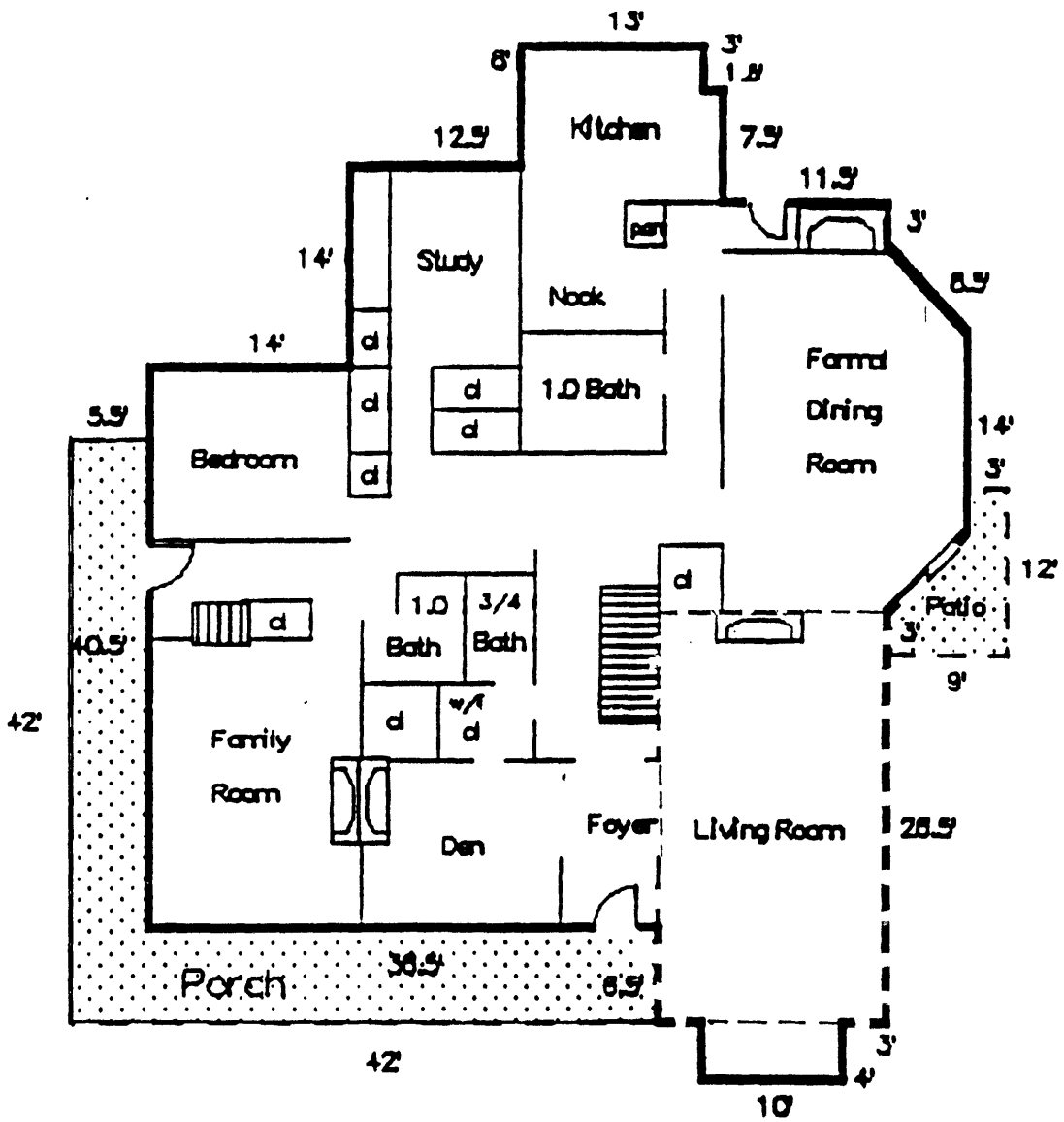
6. North elevation of building. Camera facing southwest.

Photo No. 3:

6. North & west elevations of building. Camera facing southeast.

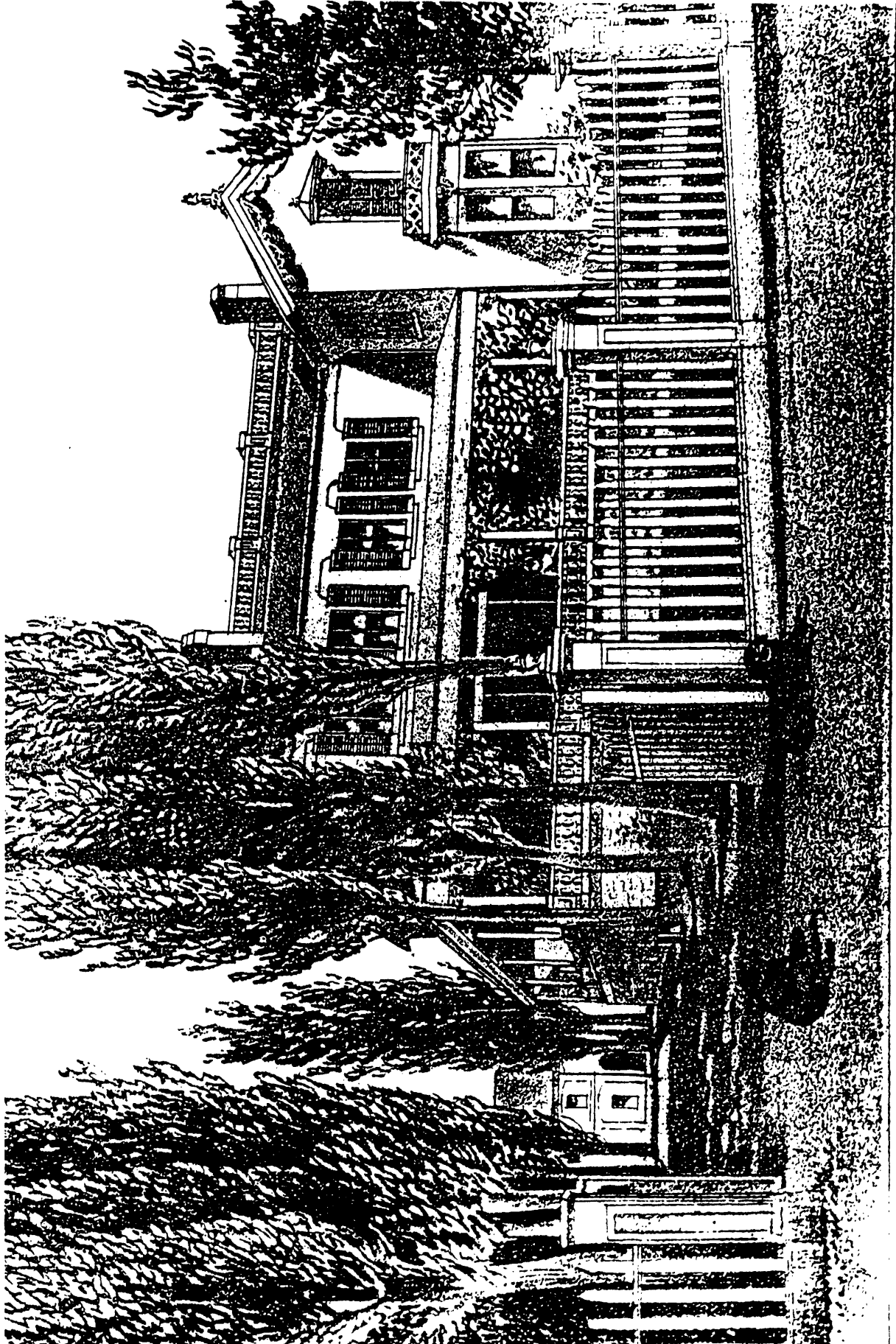
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6. West elevation of building. Camera facing northeast.



Keyser/Cullen House

Current floor plan. Dashed line indicates possible original double-cell house before additions



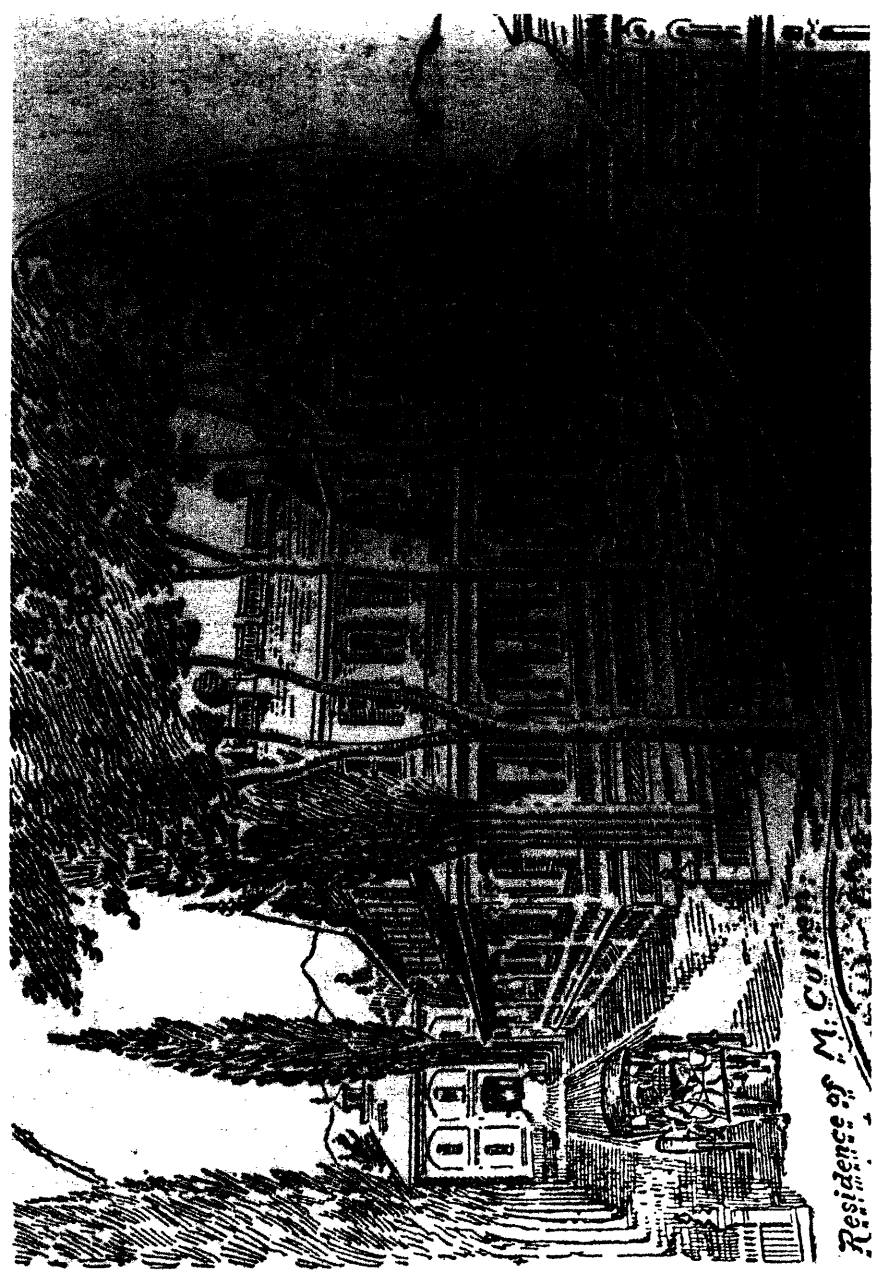
RESIDENCE OF MATTHEW CULLEN.

c. 1887 drawing

Cullen House c. 1891

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Residence of M. Cullen



c. 1930's Tax Photo