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The Turpin-Buja property is a three-story brick building located at 2319 Magazine Street (between Philip and First Streets), New Orleans, Louisiana. The brick walls are covered with plaster and are scored to represent large blocks of stone. The dwelling consists of the main living quarters with a two-story service wing in the rear. The front of the dwelling is formed by a two-level gallery **embell**ished with iron work. The main entrance to the house is located along the First Street side. An entrance porch, removed about ten years ago, has been replaced by cement steps and an overhead canopy.

On the first and second floors of the main section the rooms have generous proportions and high ceilings; there are six fireplaces in this section, some having marble and some wooden mantels. At the front of the first floor there is a double parlor. The large sliding doors between the two sections of the double parlor are in Greek Revival Style. Each parlor section has a marble fireplace.

The first floor has an L-shaped hallway, one section running parallel to the front of the house, starting at the entrance door; the other section is parallel to the Philip Street side. Along this latter section are two small rooms and a bathroom. A large dining room, with a marble and metal fireplace, is located along the First Street side; double doors at the rear of the dining room open out to the first level of a two-level open gallery of wood construction.

In the Philip Street section of the hallway is located the stairway to the second floor. This floor also has a hallway parallel to the Philip Street side and located over the comparable section of the first floor hall. Two bedrooms are located along the front of the second floor, with French doors opening onto the front gallery. Two more bedrooms are located along the First Street side. Along the Philip Street side are located one bedroom and a small room. The bedroom has a wooden extension which is visible from the exterior.

The third floor is a four-room attic, entered by a stairway between the two rooms of the Philip Street side.

The first floor of the rear wing of the dwelling consists of a pantry and kitchen. There is a stairway from the kitchen to the second floor of this wing. On the second floor are two rooms, one of good size and one small room which has been converted into a bathroom. In this wing are two more fireplaces, one in the kitchen and one in the upstairs bedroom.



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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Turpin-Buja property was designed by the famous New Orleans architect, James Gallier, Jr. The home was designed by Gallier for John Turpin, a partner in his firm, and was completed in 1854. The plan of the house probably served as the model for Gallier's own house in the French Quarter at 1132 Royal Street built between 1857-1859, recently restored and now open as a museum. (See article by William Cullison, "Gallier House--The Home of a Nineteenth Century New Orleans Architect," ANTIQUES (September 1972), p. 475.)

In addition to this special historical significance, the house is also significant as a well preserved example of the Greek Revival Style in New Orleans. The plan, size, and proportion of the rooms; the detailing of the fireplaces and of ceiling mouldings; the large sliding doors between the two parlors; the cornices over the windows; and the ironwork of the front galleries are among the features of interest.



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