

# Architectural And Historic Survey



## Identification

STREET ADDRESS: 411 Second Street, N.E.  
 MAP & PARCEL: 33-90  
 CENSUS TRACT AND BLOCK: 3-504  
 PRESENT ZONING: R-3  
 ORIGINAL OWNER: Annie M. Leitch  
 ORIGINAL USE: Residence  
 PRESENT USE: Residence  
 PRESENT OWNER: Thomas Bouldin Leitch  
 ADDRESS: 411 Second Street, N.E.  
 Charlottesville, VA

HISTORIC NAME: James A. Leitch House  
 DATE / PERIOD: 1910  
 STYLE: Victorian  
 HEIGHT (to cornice) OR STORIES: 1½ storeys  
 DIMENSIONS AND LAND AREA: 60' x 104' (6240 sq. ft.)  
 CONDITION: Good  
 SURVEYOR: Bibb  
 DATE OF SURVEY: Summer 1979  
 SOURCES: City Records  
 Mildred B. Leitch (Mrs. James A. Leitch, Sr.)

## ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This house is a late example of the Victorian Gothic Cottage Style. Constructed of brick laid in 7-course American bond, it is 1½ storeys tall and set on a low foundation. Because of the slope of the land, the basement is above ground at the rear. The house is irregularly shaped: a 3-bay front section with projecting end pavillion is centered on a wider 3-bay rear section. It has a high-pitched two-part hip roof with steep gables over the projecting pavillion on the facade and also on each side over the first bay of the larger section. The roof is covered with standing-seam metal, painted red, and has projecting eaves and verges, boxed cornice with returns, and a plain frieze. There is a hip-roofed dormer centered on the facade, another on the north side of the front section, and a wider one in the rear. The walls of the dormers are covered with shaped wooden shingles, painted red. There is one interior chimney. Windows are double-sash, 1-over-1 light, with moulded surrounds. Those on the facade have rock-faced stone sills and lintels. Side and rear windows are segmental-arched and have wooden sills. The projecting pavillion on the facade is semi-octagonal with three narrower windows. A veranda covers two bays of the front section. Its nearly flat hip roof is an extension of the main roof. It has a matching cornice, four Tuscan columns, and Colonial Revival balustrade. There is a pair of wide glass entrance doors with a one-light rectangular transom in the center bay. A two-flight open stair with ornamental brackets and turned balustrade rises from the entrance hall in the southeast corner of the house. Behind it the larger section of the house follows the central hall plan. There is a wide back porch with Eastlake posts and spool balustrade. One bay has been enclosed with weatherboarding.

## HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

In 1891 the heirs of Dr. James A. Leitch deeded the northern portion of the Leitch-Munday lot to James S. Leitch (City DB 3-29), and in 1908 his heirs sold it to Annie M. Leitch, wife of his son James A. Leitch (DB 19-442). Tax records show that this house was built the same year. It remains in the Leitch family. Additional References: City DB 68-72, 76-298, 81-230, 112-319, 141-236.





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