

415 West 12th Street

The building at 415 West 12th street was a brick shotgun-type house. The front featured a bracketed gable with partial returns in Italianate/neoclassical style and an asymmetrical door/window fenestration (Figure 1). This was one of the smallest structures in the project area. At the time of documentation, only the brick portion of the house survived, but the map history of the building shows frame appendages at the back that appear to have been reconfigured on at least one occasion. A structure appears at this location on the 1877 Atlas (Figure 2). By 1886, the Sanborn map shows a masonry structure with a frame extension at the back (Figure 3). By 1895, the structure is depicted with a masonry addition at the back and an outbuilding at the back of the lot (Figure 4, left). The property appears similar in the 1909 depiction, except that the outbuilding appears to be larger and the back addition has a large frame extension (Figure 4, right).

At the time of documentation, the interior of the house had been entirely gutted, apparently in a process aimed toward renovation (Figure 9). Clues to the original room arrangement were still visible, such as the hearth outline on the floor (Figure 11). The masonry section at the front appears to have had two rooms, each with its own hearth, and likely with a doorway between them, although the back room could be entered directly from the side of the house (Figure 7, left).



Figure 1: 415 West 12th Street, from North.

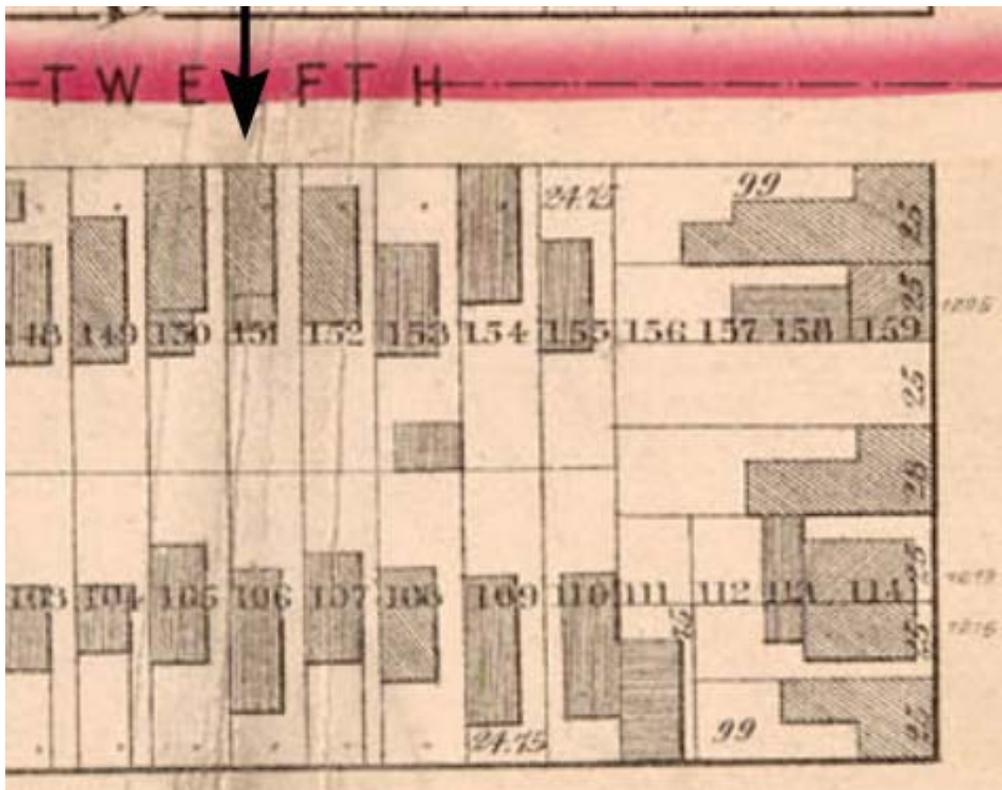


Figure 2: 415 West 12th Street as depicted in the 1877 Hopkins' City Atlas of Covington, Kentucky, when it was at number 151.

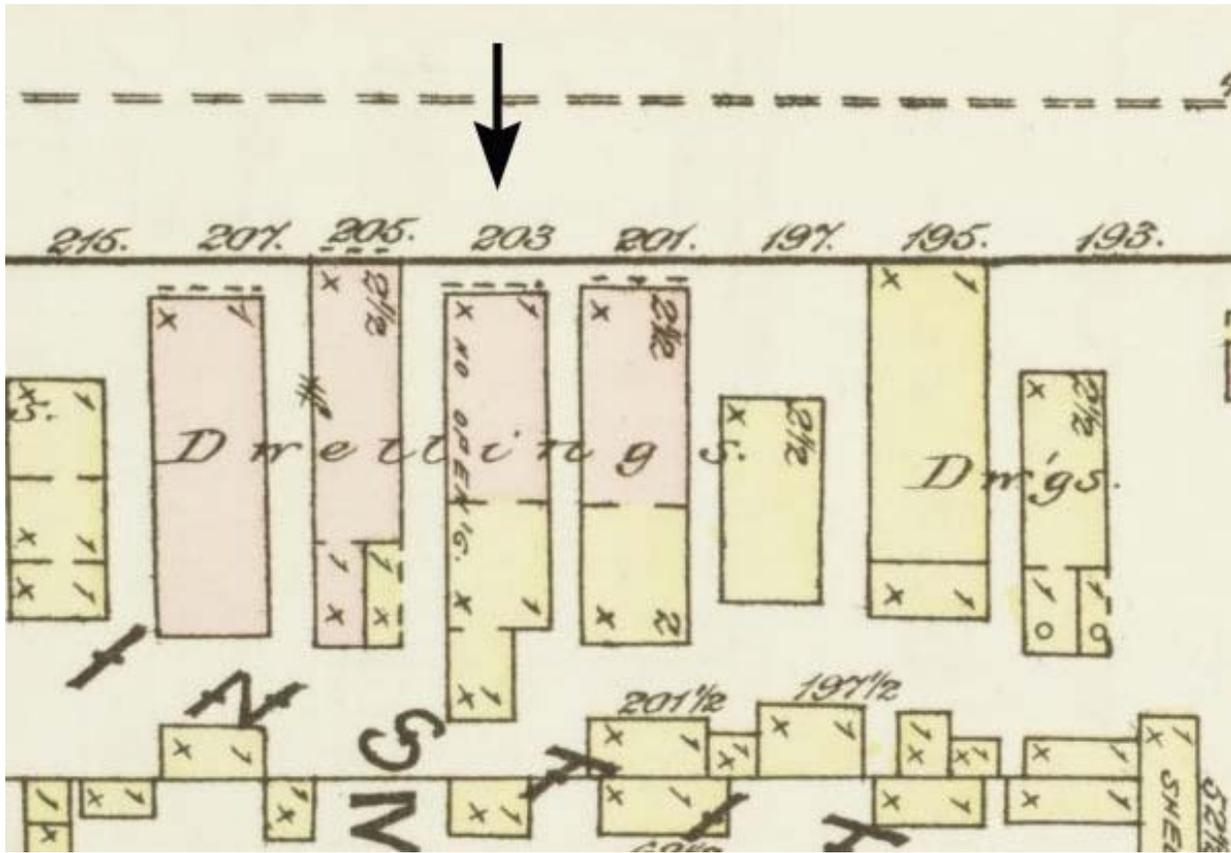


Figure 3: 415 West 12th Street as depicted in the 1886 Sanborn map, when it was at #203. The masonry building has a frame section at the back.

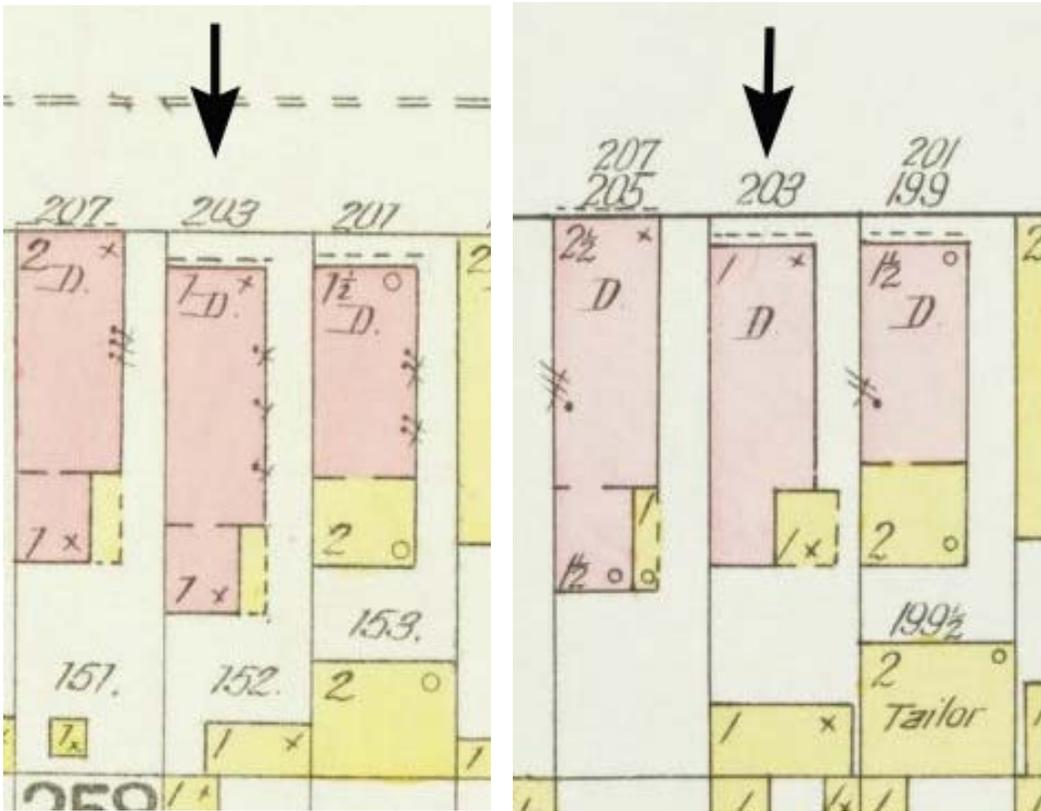


Figure 4: Left: 415 West 12th in the 1895 Sanborn map. Right, as depicted on the 1909 Sanborn



Figure 5: 409-415 West 12th Street, 415 at right.



Figure 6: 415 West 12th street, from Northwest.



Figure 7: 415 West 12th Street. Left: east side of house, from Northeast. Right: West side of House from Northwest.



Figure 8: 415 west 12th Street, detail of iron fence at front.

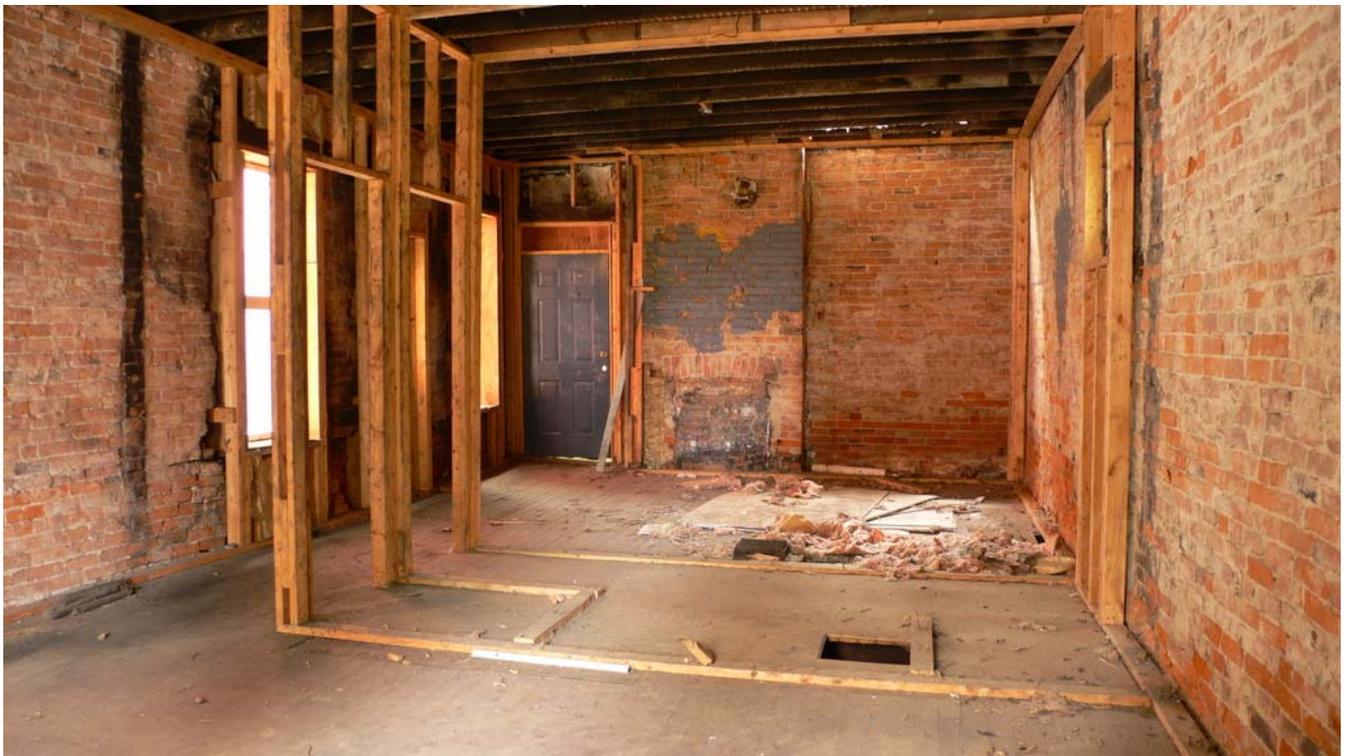


Figure 9: 415 West 12th Street, interior looking South.



Figure 10: 415 west 12th Street, rafters and joists.



Figure 11: 415 west 12th Street, remnant of hearth visible on floor.