

315-317-319 South Fifth Street (Townhouses)
Philadelphia
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE PENNSYLVANIA	COUNTY PHILADELPHIA	TOWN OR VICINITY PHILADELPHIA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) 315-317-319 South Fifth Street (Townhouses)		HABS NO. PA-1322
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES)		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) Nos. 315 and 317, ca. 1797; No. 319, bet. 1821 and 1823	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Townhouses, typical of their time. 319 S. Fifth Street was built for Dr. George Burgin, a physician, druggist, glass manufacturer and public servant.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Plain features, common in many townhouses. Stringcourses on Nos. 317 and 319.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Original features of No. 317 included a surbase, a single cornice with a fluted fascia molding, first floor ornamental mantles, and door and window architraves. Descriptions of original interior of Nos. 315 and 319 are not available.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES No. 319 has a replacement late 19th century cornice.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Information for No. 317 is based on a fire insurance survey (name of company not known, but the date of survey is 1799).		
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