

31 East Hanover Street
(Commercial Building)
Trenton
Mercer County
New Jersey

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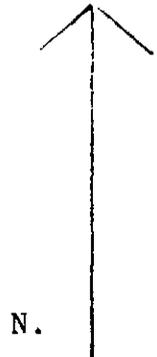
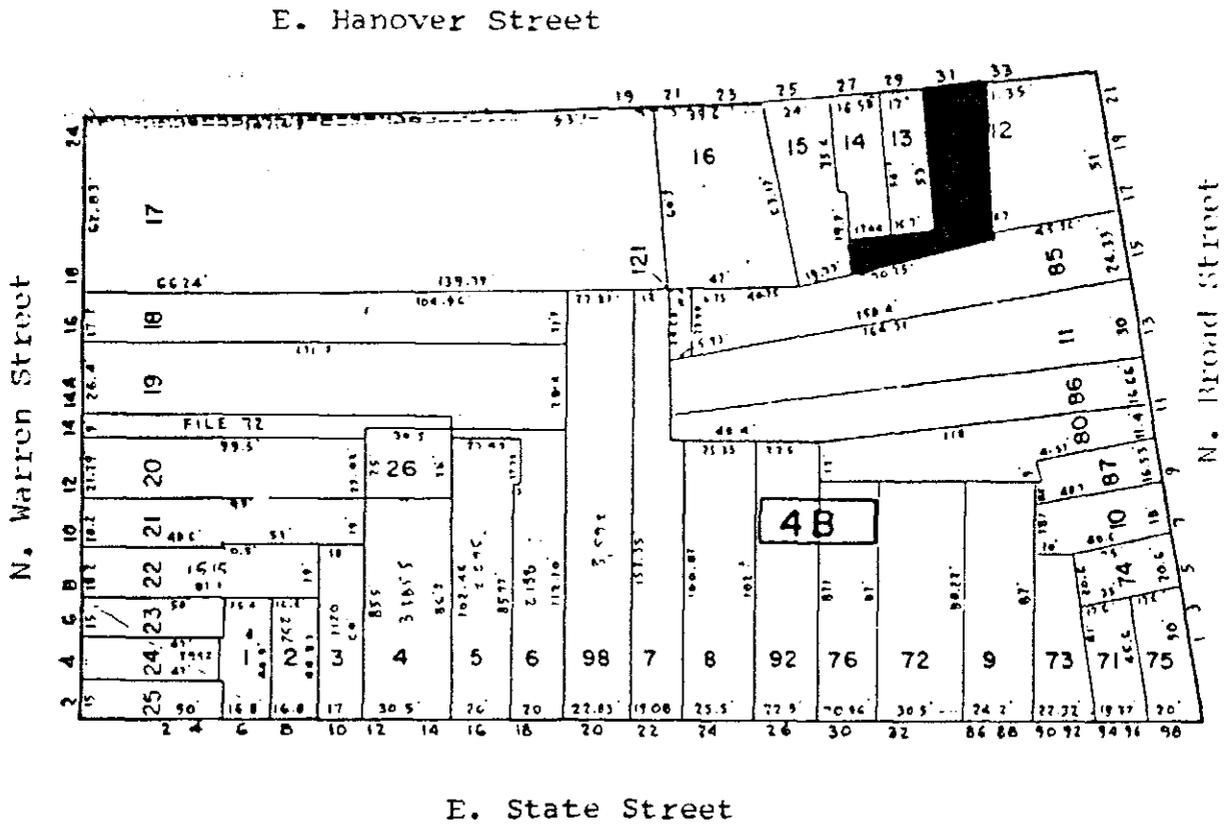
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE New Jersey		COUNTY Mercer	TOWN OR VICINITY Trenton
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) 31 East Hanover Street (Commercial Building)			HABS NO. NJ-972
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 31 East Hanover Street			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) ca. 1846 (map evidence and known construction of adjacent building)		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Not known	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Built as part of the Trenton Odd Fellows Hall on the corner of Broad and Hanover Streets (see HABS NJ-970). It was a commercial building, although no specific tenants are known. It retains the scale and some materials and detailing of vernacular commercial architecture in Trenton from the first half of the 19th century.			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Load-bearing brick walls.			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Rectangular shape, 30' x 54. Three stories tall with low pitch hipped roof behind a parapet.			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Large, slender-muntined 6/6 wooden sash windows, probably original, survive on third floor facade between stone lintels and sills.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Interior access through building adjoining to rear, #15 N. Broad Street (see HABS NJ-969). Interior gutted and renovated with modern sheetrock and plywood to form office space for department store operating at #15 Broad Street.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES The structure was built as part of the adjacent building now known as 33 East Hanover Street (HABS No. NJ-970). Divided into two properties in 1947. Openings on the first and second floors were closed up after that date.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Poor condition. Last used as office (2nd floor) and warehouse (1st floor).			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Demolished in September 1987 along with the rest of the block, to make way for new commercial construction by DKM Properties Corp.			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Directory of Trenton, New Jersey. Trenton, N.J. [title and publisher missing, 1857-1950]. Mercer County Deed Book 970, p. 458. Sidney, J.C., comp. Map of the City of Trenton, N.J. Phila.: M. Dripps, 1849.			
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Site Plan



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