

King Street, 200 Block  
218 King Street (Commercial Building)  
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Wilmington  
New Castle County  
Delaware

HABS No. DE-129-F

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey  
Mid-Atlantic Region National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Delaware		COUNTY New Castle	TOWN OR VICINITY Wilmington
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) King Street, 200 Block			HABS NO. DE-129-F
SECONDARY OR COMMNDN NAMES OF STRUCTURE 218 King Street (Commercial Building)			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 218 King Street, Wilmington, Delaware;			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) late 18th century; construction		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Survives as one of the only eighteenth century structures in the 200 block of King Street, which is primarily mid nineteenth century construction; served as a revenue service, confectioner's, shoemaker's, millener's stores.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Federal			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) brick (flemish bond primary elevation and common bond secondary elevations) timber framed flooring and roofing systems.			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) 16' street front; approximately 50' depth with additions.			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE molded brick concave and quirked water table; struck joint flemish bond walling. 218 King Street retains original second story architraves with joined frames and quirked quarter round moldings and a single gabled dormer window. 218 King Street also retains compound agee molded cornice and bed moldings.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) First floor of both 218 and 220 King Street gutted. Upper stories inaccessible.			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES and 20th-century storefronts of 218 King Street. Gutted ground floor interiors			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Condemned and demolished by the City of Wilmington in March 1985.			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE see attached narrative, HABS No, DE-129. <del>A photograph of 218 King Street is found in HABS No. DE-129-E (220 King Street).</del>			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Lower Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware, Historic District; National Register of Historic Places, listed 1980.			
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