



Address: 222 North Main Street

Contemporary Building Name: 222 North Main Street

Historic Building Name: L. Alger House

Present Use: Residential

Historic Use: Residential

Architectural style: Vernacular

Date constructed: c. 1860 (Baber)

Description: The L. Alger House is a small L-shaped building, with one-story entrance porch located in the angle of the L. The narrow gable end facing the street, to the north, has paired 2-over-2 windows at first floor, a single window at the second. Entrance to the house is through the porch, to the south, which is now enclosed but may have been open originally. Behind the porch, the rear section of the L terminates in a gable end facing south, to which a glass atrium has been added. The gazebo is in the back yard southeast of the house.

Significance: The L. Alger House is a vernacular building without stylistic architectural features, but its original mass and form read clearly after more than 100 years. Stylistic features may have existed before the present siding was added. It is a modest, plain, straightforward building. Interest is added by the presence of the gazebo, one of the few such structures in Marlborough. In the 1869 atlas the property is marked with the name L. Alger.

Sources: Baber, David. Capitol Region Council of Governments Historic Resource Survey of Marlborough, 1978.

Ransom, David. Historical and Architectural Resources Survey, Town of Marlborough, Connecticut. April 1998.

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