

1892 Adelia B. Lemley took over

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Lemley - Johnson House

1476 Hampshire - 1868 - Italianate/Queen Anne

Owned by Wm. Tappe

Quincy Shurtz

1872 lot

1873 lot separated

1874 house built

Overall Co. 508 1/2 x 510 1/2 ft.

1873 House built

Moving into a Victorian house and beginning to surround himself with items of the Victorian Era was the fulfillment of a dream for Jim Sibbing. The house he found had as a bonus a varied and interesting history. This house and the one just east were built from the same plans and were identical Italianate houses in every respect. The two homes were built in the early 1860's by two brothers, Robert and Joseph Lemley, who were partners in one of Quincy's early mercantile businesses. Then something unusual happened. --

The second ^{owner} Dr. Otis Johnson purchased the house in the late 1880's. The doctor was very much enamored by a new and picturesque style called Queen Anne which had recently found its way to Quincy from the east. This most flamboyant architectural style was hardly compatible with Johnson's rather staid Italianate house. But a considerable architect was hired (name unknown) and in 1890 an artful and structural ingenious transformation to Queen Anne was accomplished to the west side and interior, while retaining the original Italianate character of the east interior.

At this time, the entire interior was gutted, rearranged and all the original pine woodwork replaced with beautiful one-of-a-kind cherry, butternut and oak trim. The parlor is a warm pink cherry, the dining room an unusual fluted butternut. The inset paneled oak vestibule, foyer and staircase are of exquisite craftsmanship, as is the pink east brass hardware which matches throughout the house. The owners have collected and restored the lovely gas/electric fixtures throughout the house except the one in the parlor which is original to the 1890 Queen Anne renovation.

1886

1904 RD in Kansas City