

Basic Detail Report

Title Hartford Alms House

Date about 1841

Primary Maker Henry Austin

Medium Architectural drawings, black ink and colored chalk pastels on paper on cardboard backing

Description Front elevation for a federal style Alms House, featuring a gable roof with a centered projecting pediment style pavilion. Most notable on the building is a large (approximately two story) octagonal cupola which is centered on the façade, and features open keystone arches around the perimeter, above which sits a domed roof with a weathervane. Other features of the building include, modillion course cornice details, with raking cornice details along the pediment roof line, and a projecting entry vestibule which includes a raised paneled door flanked by sidelights, above which features a fanlight with tracery and keystone details. Windows on the building appear to be double-hung sash windows in the twelve-by-twelve, or eight-by-eight configurations. A large Palladian window is on the third story of the pavilion section, whereas eight-light casement windows are featured along the basement level of the façade.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (height x width): 36 1/2 x 23 1/2in. (92.7 x 59.7 cm)