

Basic Detail Report

Title Allyn House, Corner of Asylum Street and Trumbull Street,

Hartford

Date 1870-1889

Primary Maker Unknown

Medium Photomechincal reproduction; printer's ink on paper

Description Four-story brownstone Italianate hotel building with quoins at the corners of the projecting center bays, a heavy cornice and cast iron balconies on the second floor. Letters above the arched entrance read: "Allyn House." Striped awnings are above some windows. Signs read: "Cigars" "Charles Avery" "Boots & Shoes" "Hartford Optical Co. / Protected / Spectacles Eye Glasses" "City Optical Establishment / Spectacles Eye Glasses" "Sykes & Newton Apothecaries Drugs Medicines & Chemicals" "Mineral / Waters / Foreign / and / American" "Surgical / Instruments." One sign is in the shape of a horseshoe, another in the shape of eyeglasses. The striped poles at far right probably indicate a barbershop. Striped poles are at the street corner on either side of the street. A sign on one pole reads: "Baths." A street lamp is atop this pole. Trolley tracks are in the street and wires are overhead. Pedestrians, blurred from movement, are on the sidewalk.

Two horse-drawn vehicles, probably cabs, are outside the hotel entrance.

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (overall height x width): 7 7/8 x 9 7/16in. (20 x 24cm)