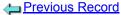
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Property Address: 57 CHARLOTTE ST						
Neighbourhood Downtown (Area 1)					Lot ID	3-2-105
Common Reference Name Brant Museum & Archives						
Year Built	1920		Year Built Qualifier	R		
Year Built Source	SAS					

Designation Information

Designated as a Heritage Property under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage

No

Act

Within a Heritage Conservation District designated under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act

No

Architectural Description

Architectural Style Italianate

Original Building Type Residential

Number of Stories 2.0

Exterior Surface brick - white

The south side of this 2-storey <u>Italianate</u> design is the original dwelling. The hip roof was originally covered in slate and had three 2-flue chimney stacks. The plan has a <u>large</u>, square main block with a slightly recessed rectangular side block with a gabled roof over a 2-storey square bay window. The paired wooden <u>eave brackets</u> survive resting on a single corbelled <u>stretcher course</u>.

Originally, an open 2-storey verandah wrapped around the front and s w cor of the house. The front entrance was enclosed (at least during winter) by a glazed wood frame porch. This has since been removed and replaced by a flat roofed **portico** with three Tuscan Doric **columns** in the front corners and **pilasters** at the wall.

Additions made to the building were a small storage room on the east side and a <u>large</u> 2-storey expansion is white glazed <u>brick</u> continuing the hip roof and fenestration of the original <u>facade</u>. These widows are filled in with the white glazed <u>brick</u>. The wooden <u>eave</u> <u>brackets</u> are similar to the original design but still different. A metal and <u>glass</u> greenhouse attached to the front of the addition houses two of the museum's artifacts - an early fire engine and a <u>bell</u>.

Historical Description

Architect

Builder

Original Owner

Original Use Residential

The 1919 Fire Insurance Map shows verandahs around the front and sides of the house.

Building Permits

#A1378; Owner: <u>Brant Historical</u>; <u>Builder</u>: Schultz Construction; storage room; Jan.24, 1964; \$10,000. #A3387: Owner: <u>Brant County Museum</u>; <u>Builder</u>: Stemmler Construction; addition; June 22; 1966; \$32,000.

Text from the Archaeological and Historic Sites Board of Ontario Plaque on the lawn of **Brant** County

Museum and Archives

HON, ARTHUR STURGIS HARDY, 1837 – 1901

Ontario's fourth prime minister was born in Mount Pleasant, called to the bar in 1865, and practised <u>law</u> in <u>Brantford</u> for many years. In 1873 he was elected to the Ontario legislature and sat as Liberal member for South <u>Brant</u> until 1899. Appointed provincial secretary and registrar in 1877, he became commissioner of crown lands in 1889. Following the resignation of Sir Oliver Mowat in 1896, <u>Arthur Hardy</u> assumed the portfolios of Prime Minister and Attorney <u>General</u>.

During his regime an extensive revision and consolidation of the province's statutes was completed. He retired from politics in 1899 and, until his death, held the positions of clerk of process and surrogate clerk at Osgoode Hall.

City Directory Search Results

Property Information

Frontage 122.20

Lot Size SqFt

Lot Size Acres 0.40

Present Use public museum and Brant County Archives

Former Street Address(es)

Legal Description TRACT WEST WILKES PT BLK P TRACT WILKES PT BLK C PLUS R O W

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