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TOWN OF ST. MARYS

"THE STONE TOWN"

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In the matter of the Ontario Heritage Act
1974, S.O. Chapter 122

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And in the matter of the Lands
and Premises known Municipally as
109 Wellington Street North
in the Town of St. Marys in the
Province of Ontario

Notice of Intention to Designate

To: The Ontario Heritage Foundation
77 Bloor Street West
Toronto, Ontario
M7A 2R9

Take notice that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of St. Marys intends to designate the property, including lands and buildings, known municipally as 109 Wellington Street North as a property of architectural value or interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S.O. Chapter 122.

Reasons for the Proposed Designation

This house was built in 1874 for Dr. John Hugh Mathieson and his wife, Mary Harrison, daughter of the prominent pioneer settlers Milner Harrison and Catherine Howard (see Wilson and Pfaff, Early St. Marys, entry 18 and Johnston, History of Perth County 1825-1902, p. 542-3). Mathieson was an example of a man who was outstanding in his profession but also gave vision and leadership to the community: he was primarily responsible for the present St. Marys Town Hall and his words of exhortation bear repeating both as a tribute to him but also as a partial explanation for many of the fine structures which St. Marys possesses today:

We should not adopt a florid style of ornamentation, but yet we should not erect a perfectly plain building simply because it is cheaper. the ornamentation should be of a lasting and permanent character. We are not building a hall or market for now, but for years or generations to come.

Mathieson's house, neither florid nor perfectly plain, is a handsome example of a mid-Victorian building in the Italian style. It was built by Robert Barbour (said also to be responsible for the houses at 100 Wellington Street North, 106 Wellington Street North, 99 Water Street North and 107 Water Street North) and in the arrangement of rooms and detailing of door and window surrounds is similar to Mount Pascoe (89 Ontario Street South) which Barbour designed and built a few years' earlier.

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Internal features such as original fire-places and woodwork as well as decorative plasterwork are also designated. A portrait of Nora Clench in stained glass as well as all other originally stained and etched glass and original fenestration is included in this designation.

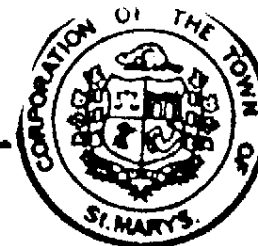
An outstanding feature of this house is the Italianate verandah which through constant care has survived for over a century. This verandah which wraps around the west (street) facade and the south (garden) facade between two projecting bays of the house is also designated. A turn of the century photograph, here included, illustrated how well preserved this verandah and its storm-porch is.

Any, person may, before the 20th day of November, 1989, send by registered mail or deliver to the Clerk of the Town of St. Marys notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. When a Notice of Objection has been received, the Council of the Town of St. Marys will refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing and report.

DATED at St. Marys, this 17th day of October, 1989.

for
K.G.Storey
Clerk-Administrator

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