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CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ORANGEVILLE

BY-LAW NUMBER 5-99

**A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE GREEN COTTAGE SITUATED AT 11 FIRST STREET, ORANGEVILLE, ONTARIO, AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE.
(Lot 4, North Part of Lot 3, Block 4, Plan 159)**

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O., 1990 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historic value or interest;


AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville has caused to be served upon the owner of the aforesaid real property and to The Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality;

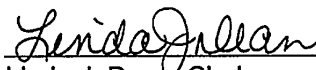
BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Orangeville as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest, the land and building located on the real property described as Lot 4, North Part of Lot 3, Block 4, Plan 159, known municipally as 11 First Street, Town of Orangeville.
2. The reasons for designation of the land and building located on the real property located at 11 First Street, Town of Orangeville, are more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
3. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described as Lot 4, North Part of Lot 3, Block 4, Plan 159, municipally known as 11 First Street in the Land Titles Division of Dufferin (No. 7).
4. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid real property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

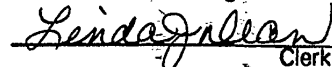
READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED IN OPEN COUNCIL

THIS 25th DAY OF January, 1999.


Robert S. Adams, Mayor


Linda J. Dean, Clerk

Certified a true copy of By-law
No. 5-99 of The Corporation
of the Town of Orangeville


Clerk

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Town of Orangeville
Criteria for Designation

Green Cottage

Lot 4, N Pt. Lot 3. Block 4, Plan 159

#11 First Street, Orangeville

Summary

The Green Cottage is an excellent example of the architectural style known as *Ontario Regency Cottage*. It is one of the few remaining structures in Orangeville from the 1860s and is in excellent condition. The Green Cottage has a close relationship with the Green/Liddy House to the south, and to the former Methodist Church at the corner of Zina and First Street. This area was formerly known as "Green's Hill", speaking to the prominence of the Green family in local politics and affairs. Together with the Green/Liddy House, the Cottage forms a distinctive node of pre-1890 architecture that has already faced development pressure and is deserving of protection under the Ontario Heritage Act.

Historical & Biographical note:

This house was built for John Green and his family. The Greens had arrived in Orangeville in 1865 and had purchased lots 1, 2, 3, Plan 159 of the Ketchum Survey. Green was employed by Kenneth Chisholm and Co. and ran their Orangeville branch mercantile store at the corner of First Street and Broadway.

Based on evidence in the Assessment Roll, a modest house had been built for the Greens by 1867, when the property was assessed at \$600.00.¹ By the early 1870's, however, this house was not large enough for the Green family, and plans were underway to replace it with a larger structure. To accommodate a new residence, Green purchased the adjoining lot to the north (lot 4 of Plan 159) from Benjamin Connor in 1875, and, according to oral tradition, moved the small rough-cast house north from its original site to this lot.²

Lot 4 would appear to be empty at the time of purchase as it's assessed value in 1873 was only \$75.00. In the Assessment Roll for 1875, however, the value of lot 4 had increased to \$200.00, indicating the existence of a structure.³ Likewise the assessed value of lots 1, 2, and 3 rises dramatically to \$1,700 the same year, indicating a much larger structure.

In 1882 Green left the Chisholm Company and opened his own general store at the corner of Broadway and First Street in the brick commercial building known as the Ketchum Block. Green was a trustee of the Primitive Methodist Church and was instrumental in securing a site for the church at the northwest corner of

¹ Town of Orangeville Assessment Roll, 1867

² Steve Brown, Dufferin County Archivist

³ Town of Orangeville Assessment Roll, 1875

Zina and First Street in 1866. Green also served on town council. He died in 1889.

By the turn of the century the Cottage was likely occupied by Green's daughter Mary Alice Edith and her husband J. D. McMillan. The McMillans purchased the lot in 1920 from Green's estate.⁴

Architectural evaluation

The house is an excellent example of the *Ontario Regency Cottage* style, very popular in Ontario between 1830 and 1860. Orangeville, being somewhat isolated from towns such as York and Kingston, experienced many architectural fads and fashions after they had fallen from favour in larger centres. The Regency style originated in England where men who had served in exotic lands such as India sought to incorporate architectural details they had seen into their domestic architecture. This usually resulted in homes constructed low to the ground, with large windows for ventilation and long porches to shade the building from the sun, important features in hot climates. Ontario however, only provided heat in one season, and many variations on the style developed.

Note that the word cottage when applied to a style of architecture means a small, simple house. Only relatively recently has it come to mean a vacation or seasonal property.

The Green Cottage was built as a single family dwelling and is still in use as such. It was moved from its original lot in around 1875. The house is a single detached unit built on a rectangular long facade plan. It is one storey in height, with a balanced five bay (two windows, doorway, two windows) facade.

The exterior is clad in stucco, a preferred choice for this style. The low hip roof is clad with asphalt shingles. There are two brick chimneys, offset to the left and right. The chimney stacks are double, attached at the top. The roof trim at the eaves consists of a decorated frieze in a dentil (small rectangular blocks) motif. Soffits are plain.

Windows on the main facade have a flat structural opening with moulded trim and wooden window sills. Each window consists of two double hung sashes, each containing nine panes of glass. The windows are generous in proportion to the wall space and feature individual panes of glass with a vertical orientation. The main entrance is in the centre of the front facade. The structural opening shape is flat, with a plain pediment above the door. Flanking the entrance are

⁴ Abstract Index to Deeds, Dufferin County, Instrument # 11268

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neo-classic pilasters. Within the pilasters are side lights (windows) and a flat transom of two lights. The stairs leading to the main entrance are on the ground floor and straight.

The overall impression of Green Cottage is one of symmetry and balance.

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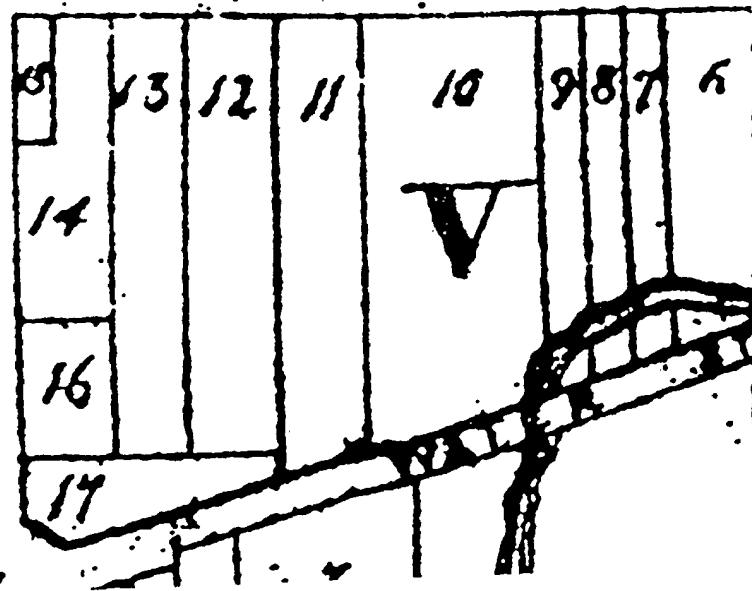
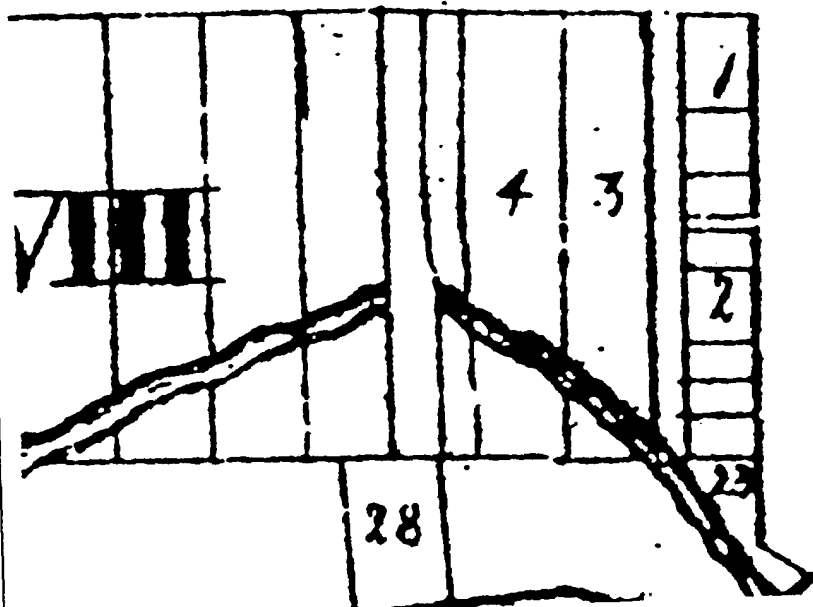
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ROAD ALLOWANCE BET



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TO BE
FORGOTTEN

This Indenture

made the fourteenth day of August in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty-five, in pursuance of the Act to facilitate the conveyance of real property

Between Jesse Ketchum the elder of the City of Buffalo in the State of New York one of the United States of America

Esquire

Of the First Part

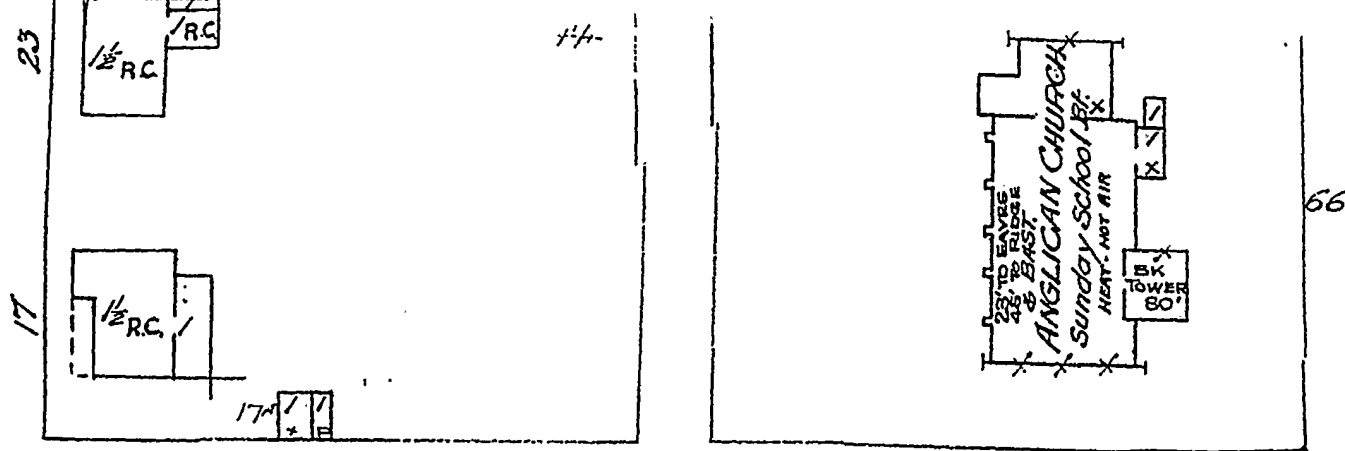
Mary Ann Ketchum wife of the said party of the first part

Of the Second Part, and

John Green of the village of Orangeville in the County of Wellington and Province of Canada Merchant

Of the Third Part

Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of Five Hundred Dollars of lawful money of Canada now paid by the said party of the third part to the said party of the first part the receipt whereof is hereby by him acknowledged, he the said party of the first part doth grant unto the said party of the third part his heirs and assigns forever All and singular those certain parcels or tracts of land and premises situate lying and being in the village of Orangeville in the County of Wellington and Province of Canada formerly in the Township of Mono in the County of Simcoe and being composed of village lots numbers One Two and Three in Block Number Four according to a plan of village lots laid out by

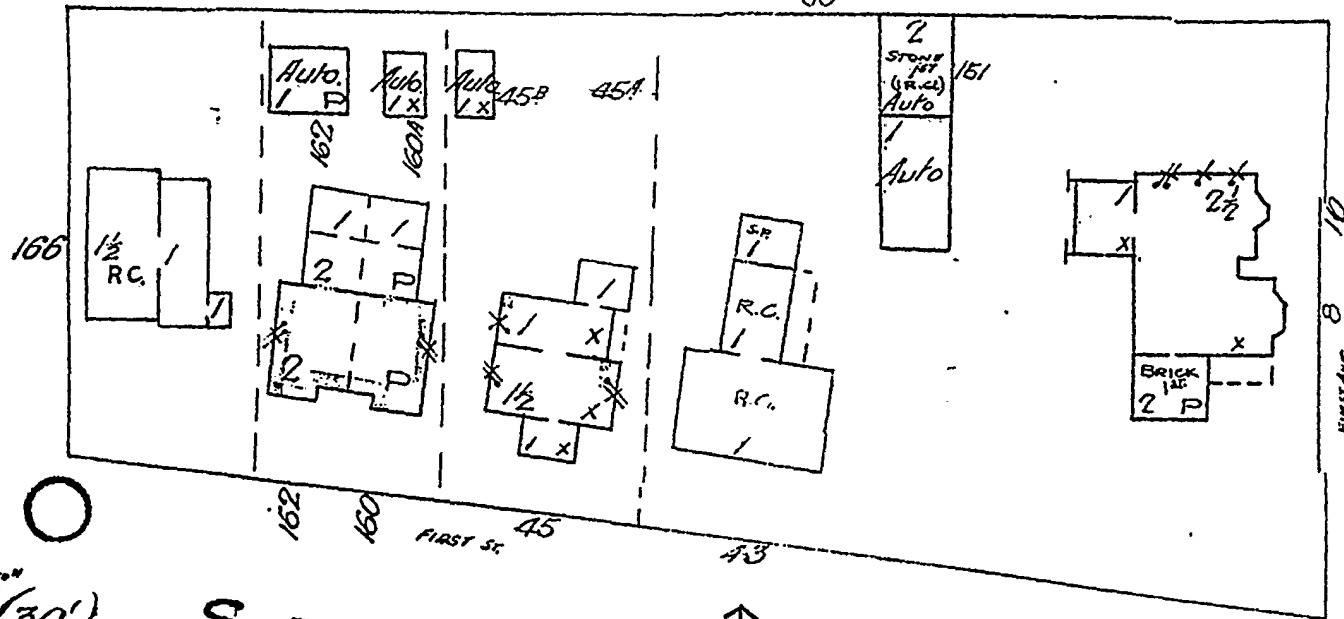


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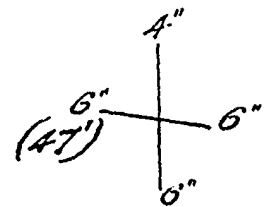
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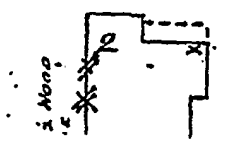
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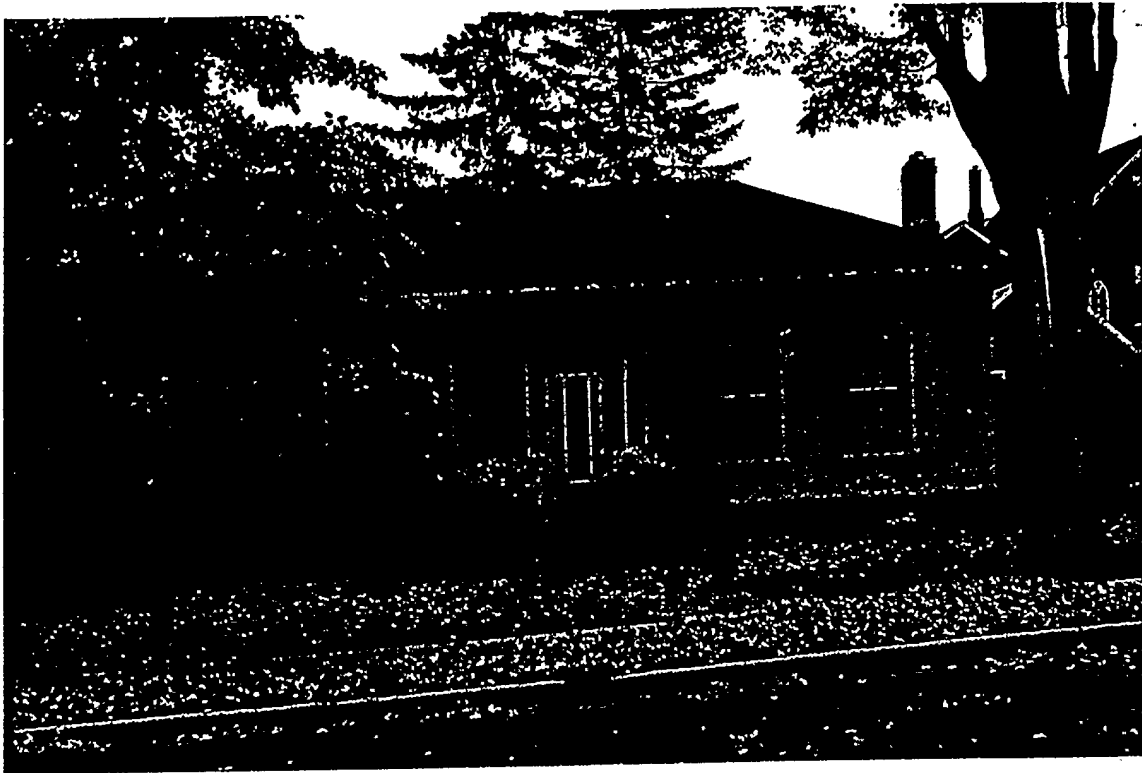
ZINA



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Upper: Green Cottage, main facade, 1998

Lower: Green cottage, showing entranceway trim, window arrangement and dentil trim at eaves, 1998



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Illustrations:

Block 4, Plan 159, Town of Orangeville. *Walker and Miles Illustrated Historical Atlas of Peel County, 1877*. Region of Peel Archives.

Cover of John Greens' Deed dated 14 September 1865. Dufferin County Museum and Archives.

Fire Insurance Plan of Orangeville, 1907 (rev. 1935) Dufferin County Museum and Archives.

Green Cottage photos taken in 1998 by Heritage Orangeville members.

We, [REDACTED] owners of the property located at 11 First Street, Town of Orangeville, described as Lot 4, North Part of Lot 3, Block 4, Plan 159, have received the "Criteria for Designation" report and authorize the Council of the Town of Orangeville to proceed with designation.

Dated at Orangeville, Ontario this 4th day of November, 1998.

