

PLACE NAME: 'BARWON BANK'
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: CITY OF NEWTOWN

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY (References)

STYLE OR PERIOD: Colonial Regency.

ARCHITECT(S)/DESIGN ORIGIN: T.R. Yabsley, architect,
Reference: Geelong

Geelong Advertiser, 15th January, 1855.

BUILDER:
Reference:

PRINCIPAL ARTISANS/ARTISTS/TRADES
Reference:

TENDER NOTICE: Geelong Advertiser, 15th January, 1855,
Reference: for finishing of the plastering

DATE(S) OF CONSTRUCTION: 1853-55
Reference:

ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE

SUBSEQUENT WORKS/ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

Adjoining wings have been removed from the west elevation and the remaining building has been badly vandalised and dilapidated. However, the present owner intends restoration.

ORIGINAL OWNER(S)/OCCUPANT(S)

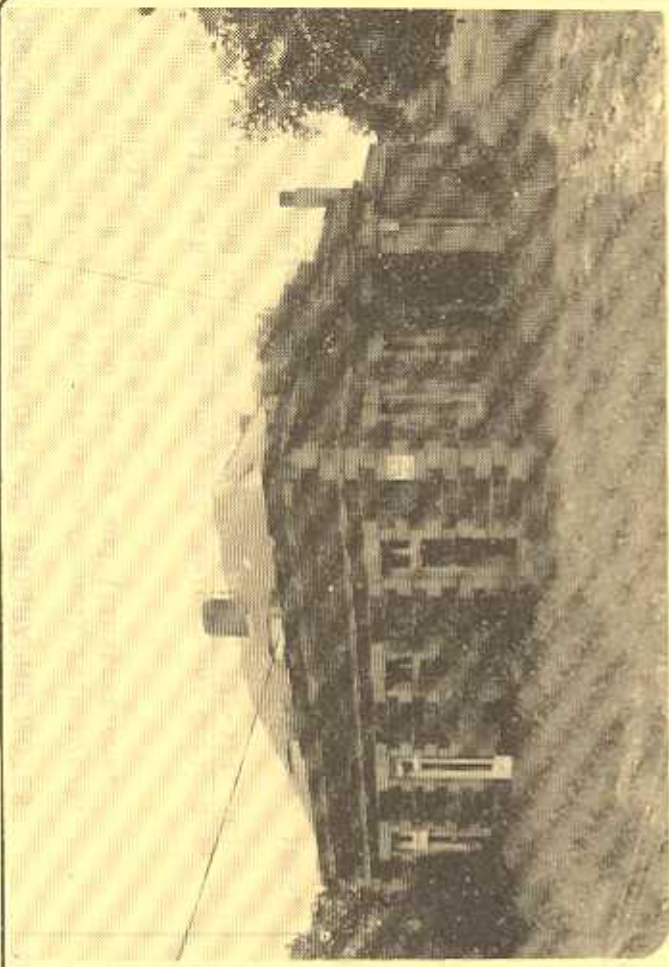
John Alexander Gregory, solicitor, Geelong.

SUBSEQUENT SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/OCCUPANTS

John Noble, 1856-1858, Robert Adams and later his wife. Timms family (descendants of William Timms).

William Daniel Hughes, during construction of Austral Paper Mill.

OTHER NOTES



NEGATIVE FILE:

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	National Trust of Aust. (Vic) Classified File No.2802.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Geelong Regional Commission Register No.107.....

IDENTIFICATION DATA

PLACE NAME 'Barwon Bank'
ADDRESS: Riversdale Road, Marnock Vale, Chilwell, 3220

Prop No 113.40

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA: City of Newtown
TITLE INFORMATION: Vol. 6470, Folio 921, Book 38, No. 23

MAP REFERENCE

PRESENT USE: Derelict. Ann Henderson 21 3510

PRESENT OWNER/LESSEE: National Trust of Australia (Victoria)
ADDRESS: 'Tasma Terrace', Parliament Place, Melbourne, 3002
TELEPHONE: (03) 654-4711

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DOCUMENTATION REFERENCES AND BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

Historic Buildings Preservation Council File N/6/1.

Includes detailed history and illustrations, Bibliography and plans.

Brownhill, W.R., The History of Geelong and Corio Bay, Wilke and Co., Melbourne, 1955, pp. 323-324, 363

Geelong Advertiser, 10th April, 1853, 15th January, 1855, 20th February, 1855.

National Trust of Australia (Victoria), File No. 2802.

'Research into 'Barwon Bank', Riversdale Road, Marnockvale, (Chilwell), Geelong, May 1978.

CITATION

'Barwon Bank', erected 1853-55, is an important early Victorian mansion house and one of few documented works in Victoria of the virtually unknown, but accomplished architect, Thomas R. Yabsley. Upon completion in 1856, this comparatively rare example of the colonial regency style mansion in Victoria was considered to be "the finest specimen of architecture in the Western District". John Gregory, a noted Geelong solicitor, occupied the mansion only until 1856; later occupants were associated with Barwon River industries.

SIGNIFICANCE OF PLACE

- Its creative and/or technical accomplishment.
- Its demonstration of a way of life, custom, process or function no longer practised, in danger of being lost or of exceptional interest.
- Its strong association with an important figure or figures, development, or cultural phase.
- Its townscape and/or landscape value.
- Its scarcity value.

SIGNIFICANCE

- LOCAL REGIONAL STATE NATIONAL WORLD

CONDITION

- EXCELLENT GOOD FAIR DETERIORATED RUINS

INTEGRITY

- HIGH LOW ALTERED DAMAGED

RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register.

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