

PLACE NAME: 'HAWTHORNE'

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY OF NEWTOWN

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY (References)**

**STYLE OR PERIOD:** Picturesque Victorian Gothic Revival

**ARCHITECT(S)/DESIGN ORIGIN:** Possibly Snell and Kawerau  
**Reference:** for the original building.  
Geelong Advertiser, 24th January, 1854.

**BUILDER:**  
**Reference:**

**PRINCIPAL ARTISANS/ARTISTS/TRADES**  
**Reference:**

**TENDER NOTICE:** Geelong Advertiser, 24th January, 1854,  
**Reference:** additions to the cottage of Mr Harwood,  
 Newtown.

**DATE(S) OF CONSTRUCTION** 1854.  
**Reference:**

Early stone plaque, date no longer discernible

**ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE**

**SUBSEQUENT WORKS/ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS**

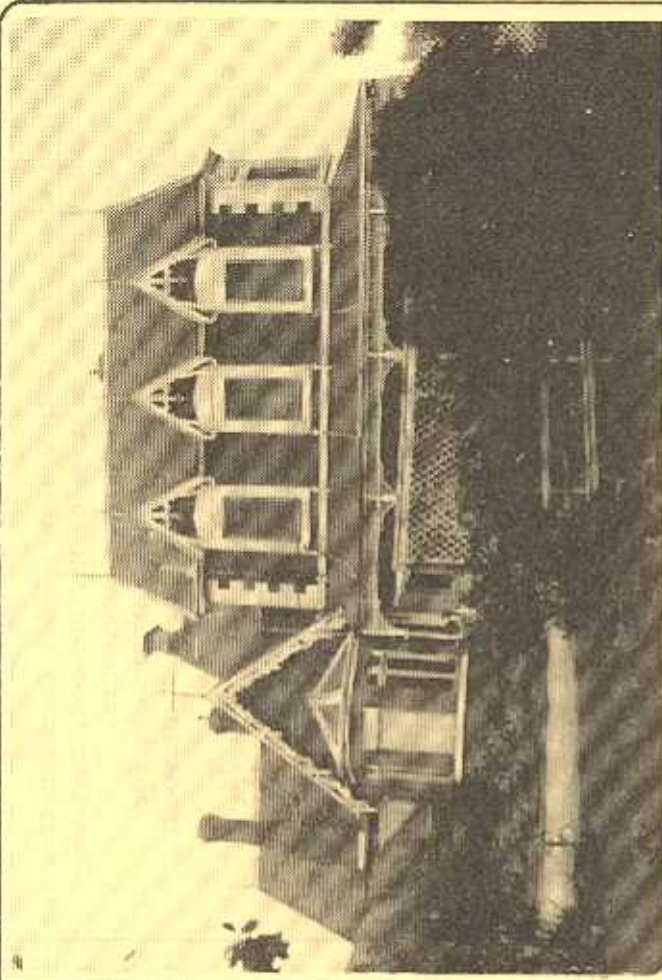
Joseph Watts, architect for additions to the residence  
 of T.C. Harwood, at a cost of £1800. Renovated 1929  
 when owned by I.G. Anderson.

**ORIGINAL OWNER(S)/OCCUPANT(S)** Hon. T.C. Harwood, M.L.C.

**SUBSEQUENT SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/OCCUPANTS**

c 1924 purchased by I.G. Anderson.

**OTHER NOTES** J.C. Harwood was a solicitor, partner in the  
 firm, Sanford & Harwood, later to become Harwood and  
 Pincott.



**NEGATIVE FILE:**

Australian Heritage Commission  
 Register of National Estate

Historic Buildings Preservation Council  
 Register No. ....  
 File No. ....

National Trust of Aust. (Vic)  
 Classified/Recorded  
 File No. ....

Geelong Regional Commission  
 Register No. ....

**IDENTIFICATION DATA**

**PLACE NAME** Hawthorne  
**ADDRESS** 39 Skene Street,  
 Newtown, 3220.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA** City of Newtown.  
**TITLE INFORMATION**

**MAP REFERENCE** \_\_\_\_\_

**PRESENT USE** Girls Hostel.  
**PRESENT OWNER/LESSEE** Roman Catholic Trustees,  
**ADDRESS** St. Marys, Myers St., Geelong **TELEPHONE** (052)

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DOCUMENTATION REFERENCES AND BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

Geelong Advertiser, 24th January, 1854, tender notice for additions to the cottage of Mr. Harwood, Newtown, called by Snell and Kawerau, architects.  
18th November, 1876, J. Watts, architects for additions to the residence of Mr. T.C. Harwood.  
Geelong Historical Records Centre, Map No. H. 24, Auction poster, date of auction 4th June, 1924, for Miss Harwood the property of the late Hon. T.C. Harwood. M.I.C., including description of residence.  
Geelong Historical Society, Investigator, Vol. 1, 1965-66, Sec. 3. p. 26, Vol. 6.p. 54.  
Navaretti, P.Y., 'Architects of Melbourne and their Work, 1900-1940' History Research Essay. Department of Architecture, University of Melbourne, 1971, reference to 'Hawthorne' residence of I.G. Anderson Newtown, Geelong, renovation, from Australian Home Beautiful, April, 1929. pp. 21-23.

CITATION

The two storey Victorian gothic style residence 'Hawthorne' of 39 Skene Street, Newtown, was erected in 1876 for T.C. Harwood, a successful Geelong solicitor. Joseph Watts, architect, designed the additions to an earlier cottage erected in 1854 to designs by Snell and Kawerau, architects. This elaborately decorated brick house, with prominent former gable windows, bay windows and encircling iron verandah, has most intricate timber looping barge boards as the principal feature. The residence is one of the finest examples of this period in the Geelong region, rivalling the renowned eclecticism of architects, Davidson & Henderson.

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.  
Historic Buildings Council Register

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SIGNATURE ..... DATE .....