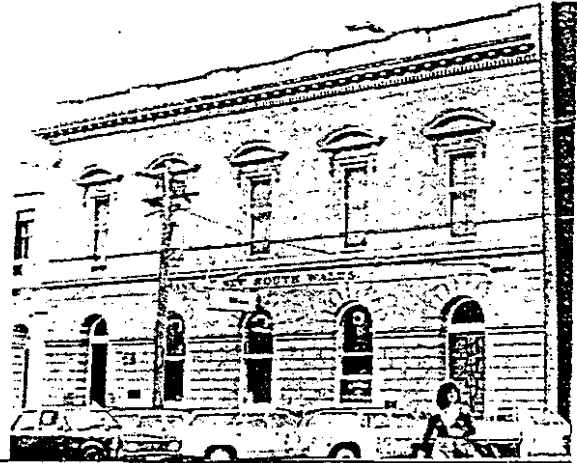


BUILDING TITLE BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES
 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY OF BALLAARAT

NATIONAL ESTATE PROJECT No. . . .
 DOCUMENTATION OF LISTED HISTORIC BUILDINGS IN VICTORIA

DESIGNATION H.B.P.C. REGISTER No. 112 NATIONAL TRUST (C) FILE No.

BUILDING TYPE BANK
 BUILDING NAME BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES
 STATE VICTORIA
 LOCAL GOVT AREA BALLAARAT
 STREET LYDIARD No. B-15
 SUBURB/TOWN BALLAARAT C.B.D.
 CITY BALLAARAT POSTCODE 3350
 RURAL
 NEAREST CENTRE Km.



TITLE REFERENCE Vol Fol
 DIRECTORY
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PHOTOGRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION
 DATE OF SURVEY/INSPECTION JULY 1978

OWNERSHIP ORIGINAL BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES
 PRESENT " " " " "
 ADDRESS

ARCHITECT/PRACTICE LEONARD TERRY
 BUILDER EVANS & BAKER
 ARTISANS/TRADES

TENDERS 29 OCTOBER 1862 REFERENCE ARGUS 29.10.1862
 DATE OF CONSTRUCTION
 ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE £931.
 ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS INTERIOR REMODELLED 1907

DESCRIPTION

This bank erected in 1862 to the design of Architect Leonard Terry, and constructed by builders Evans and Baker, replaced an earlier bank building of 1857. The earlier building, designed by Architects Robertson & Hale, was demolished in 1862.

This building is in a restrained conservative classical manner but with lightly mannerist elements. The ground floor has arch headed windows with rustication only to the arch springing point. The upper floor has heavy Roman segmental arch window pediments supported on slender ancones set against an unusually plain wall. A plinth course cuts through the architraves to meet the window guards. The whole composition is topped by a dentillated cornice and balustraded parapet.

This building forms part of a group of four Leonard Terry banks which form an important corner streetscape element to the Sturt Street/Lydiard Street precincts. The grouping of these banks is unique to Victoria, and provides a focal point to the Lydiard Street precinct. The bank is in good condition and is externally intact with original stone and cement render finishes and is marked only by the illuminated sign.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that this bank be retained on the Historic Buildings Register and the Register of the National Estate. It is recommended that the bank be specified under Clause 8 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Third Schedule).

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ASSESSMENT OF LISTING

CONDITION/INTEGRITY OF BUILDING EXTERNALLY INTACT

SIGNIFICANCE OF BUILDING

LANDSCAPE/STREETScape/ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE PART OF RECOMMENDED AREA A.I.I.

DOCUMENTATION JACOBS LEWIS YINES DATE SEPTEMBER 1978.
ARCHITECTS

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES - 13-15 LYDIARD STREET

BUILDING ANALYSIS AND DESCRIPTION

The Ballarat Branch of the Bank of New South Wales was established in 1853, and in 1855 the block of land on which the present building stands was bought.¹

In 1857, the first bank premises was built to the design of Robertson & Hale, Architects, at a cost of £506.10.0.² On July 2nd 1857 tenders were called for fittings for the bank.³ A photograph survives of this early bank building. (shown over).

Tenders for the present bank were called by Terry in 1862:⁴

"Tenders are required for taking down and reconstructing Bank of New South Wales at Ballarat.

Drawings and Specifications may be seen at my office, Melbourne, from the 29th instant to the 5th November, and thereafter until the 13th at my office, Ballarat.

The lowest tender will not necessarily be accepted.

Leonard Terry, Architect."

The builders were Evans & Baker, and the contract price was £931.0.0.⁵

The building underwent extensive internal remodelling in 1907.⁶

1. Bank of New South Wales records.

2. *Courier* April 27, 1968.

3. *Argus* July 21, 1857

4. *Argus* 29 October, 1862.

5. *Courier* Ballarat April 27, 1968.

6. H. Troppe 'Leonard Terry & Some of his Banks.' B.Arch. University of Melbourne, 1970.

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES - 13-15 LYDIARD STREET

BUILDING ANALYSIS AND DESCRIPTION

The ground floor of the bank has typical arch headed windows, but the rustication is carried only to the arch springing point and is terminated by a string course. The wall above is smooth, except for the voissoirs to the ground floor windows, the string course at sill and grill height and the segmental arch window pediments supported on consoles. The composition is topped by a dentillated cornice, and balustraded parapet.

The building represents a bank facade in a restrained, finely detailed classical manner. It forms part of a group of four banks designed by Leonard Terry which form an important unique corner streetscape element to the Sturt Street/Lydiard Street precincts. It is in good condition and is intact externally, visually marred only by the illuminated sign. The original stone and cement render finishes fortunately survive and should be retained in this state.



First premises, built 1857, demolished 1862.