

BUILDING TITLE *CHANCERY HOUSE*
 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA *CITY OF BALLAARAT*

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

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

BUILDING TYPE *OFFICES*
 BUILDING NAME *CHANCERY HOUSE*
 STATE *VICTORIA*
 LOCAL GOVT AREA *CITY OF BALLAARAT*
 STREET *LYDIARD STH. No. 38*
 SUBURB/TOWN *BALLARAT C.B.D.*
 CITY *BALLAARAT* POSTCODE *3350*
 RURAL
 NEAREST CENTRE Km.



TITLE REFERENCE Vol Fol
 DIRECTORY
 NEGATIVE FILE *FILM 1 / FRAME 39*

PHOTOGRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION
 DATE OF SURVEY/INSPECTION *JULY 1978*

OWNERSHIP ORIGINAL
 PRESENT *BALLARAT SECURITIES CORPORATION/SOLICITORS*
 ADDRESS *OFFICES*

ARCHITECT/PRACTICE
 BUILDER
 ARTISANS/TRADES

TENDERS REFERENCE
 DATE OF CONSTRUCTION *c.1880*
 ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE
 ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

BUILDING CITATION

This building, constructed in c.1880, is a neatly detailed composition of columns superimposed on masonry piers. To the ground floor, an inappropriate modern entrance disrupts the continuous repetition of Roman doric columns. Above this is a partially surviving doric frieze of triglyphs and metopes, then a dentillate cornice, and an upper floor of reduced Corinthian shafts on pedestals, between which are elegantly turned balusters. The upper windows are expressed as an arcade on piers running behind the columns, and the timber blind hoods are intact.

This building provides an extremely important corner streetscape element. Despite the disastrous alterations to the Lydiard Street facade, the building reads as a well proportioned and refined Renaissance revival composition. The Chancery Lane elevation is substantially intact. The facade composition resembles that of the State Bank, Sturt Street (of 1872), but the quoin stones, Roman doric columns and elegant balusters make this possibly more sophisticated. It differs from the bank in being an almost square building with almost identical facade treatments to both elevations. The building would be significantly enhanced by the restoration of this section of the ground floor facade.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that this building be added to the Historic Buildings Register, the Register of the National Estate, and be specified under Clause 8 of the Town and Country Planning Act (Third Schedule).

DOCUMENTATION SOURCES

- 01 GOVERNMENT RECORDS
- 02 LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORDS
- 03 ARCHIVES/CATALOGUES
- 04 ARCHITECTS INDEX
- 05 ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS/ILLUSTRATIONS
- 06 PHOTOGRAPHIC RECORDS
- 07 NATIONAL TRUST FILE/ HISTORIC BUILDINGS PRESERVATION COUNCIL FILE
- 08 PRIVATE RECORDS

06 LATROBE LIBRARY, SLY. NETTLETONS VIEWS c1880
(SHOWS THIS BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION)

08 COLE COLLECTION, LA TROBE LIBRARY

BIBLIOGRAPHY

ASSESSMENT OF LISTING
CONDITION/INTEGRITY OF BUILDING FACADE ALTERED
SIGNIFICANCE OF BUILDING
LANDSCAPE/STREETScape/ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE PART OF RECOMMENDED
AREA A.1.1.

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