OFFICE 50 LYDIARD ST. STH. BUILDING TITLE OF BALLAGRAT LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY

NATIONAL ESTATE PROJECT No.

DOCUMENTATION OF LISTED HISTORIC BUILDINGS IN VICTORIA

DESIGNATION

H.B.P.C. REGISTER No.

NATIONAL TRUST (X) (X) FILE No.

OFFICE BUILDING TYPE BUILDING NAME STATE VICTORIA LOCAL GOVT AREA CITY OF BALLAARAT 51H No. 50 STREET LYDIARD SUBURB, TOWN BALLARAT C.B.D. CITY BALLAGRAT POSTCODE 3350 RURAL

NEAREST CENTRE

Km.

Fol TITLE REFERENCE DIRECTORY

NEGATIVE FILE FILM 1/FRAME O

PHOTOGRAPHIC ILLUSTRATION DATE OF SURVEY/INSPECTION

OWNERSHIP

ORIGINAL

R.W. DOBSON & OTHERS PRESENT ADDRESS 22 VICTORIA AVE

ARCHITECT/PRACTICE BUILDER ARTISANS/TRADES

TENDERS

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

REFERENCE

BUILDING CITATION

This building is a charming and unique eclectic composition divided into 3 bays by storied pilaster elements with decorative recessed panels and a frieze above containing a lush festoon in each bay. Above this are plain panels, perhaps designed for signwriting, surmounted by a central name plate block flanked by urns and topped by a pediment with the rising sun motif. Urns or balls have been removed from the parapet corners. A modern entrance door is surmounted by a delightfully light arch metal fanlight of radiating spokes, and on each side the two tier shop windows have unusual decorative panels below and above. Internally there is nothing of note. This building has certain similarities to the Counsel Chambers (26 Lydiard Street); both have facades divided into 3 bays w: delicate eclectic relief decoration. However this building is more ornate, and provides a unique example of a late single storied classical office design overlai with ornate eclectic decoration. It is in good condition and provides an importar streetscape element. In 1881 this site was owned by R.H.Bullock, Geelong, gentleman. In 1881 he sold it to W.F.C.Kelly, barrister, who sold it to David Cooke in 1884 who retained the site until 1907. It would appear that the building was constructed during this time. Cooke's private residence was designed by Clegg, Kell and Miller.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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

DOCUMENTATION SOURCES

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ASSESSMENT OF LISTING

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