

HISTORY : Former 79-81 Coppin Street.¹ Built about 1880(?). It may have been built as two stories initially²

VISUAL DESCRIPTION : A three-storey Renaissance Revival commercial(?) building in Flemish bond Hawthorn brown bricks with cream dressings, with a parapet and a T-plan. It has seven bays at front, with segmental head windows with cream heads, bluestone threshold and cills and iron bars at ground storey. There is a cream four course stepped string-course at first floor and a render cornice and frieze at second floor and a similar parapet with triangular centrepiece name panel supported by scrolls. Side gable ends have oculii.

COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS : Comparable to : 29 Gipps Street, c1880 (Vol.2, pp.199 & 200) and 10 Watham Place, John A.B. Koch, 1881 (Vol.2, pp.268 & 269).

SIGNIFICANCE : A fine Renaissance Revival, three-storied commercial(?) building of about 1880(?). It has local architectural significance.

INTACTNESS : Sandblasted, otherwise very good. Render is all unpainted.

CONDITION & THREATS : Sandblasting the front has weakened the brick bond. There is vertical cracking, including bluestone cills.

REFERENCES : 1. Shown on 1897 MMBW plan 1061 as 79-81 Coppin Street.
2. Visual evidence. Cornice at second-storey and change in brickwork on side wall.