

Building:	Former Shop	Significance:	B
Address:	213 Langridge Street, Abbotsford	Melway Map Ref:	2C H12
Building Type:	Shop and Residence	Construction Date:	1882-83
Architect:	Unknown	Builder:	Unknown



Intactness:		Condition:	
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Existing Heritage Listings:		Recommended Heritage Listings:	
Victorian Heritage Register	[]	Victorian Heritage Register	[]
Register of the National Estate	[]	Register of the National Estate	[x]
National Trust	[]	Heritage Overlay Controls	[x]

History

By 1882 John McAlpine [spelling varies], a labourer, owned the shop in the south west corner of Langridge and Park Streets (No. 211; see separate datasheet) and was in the process of building a brick shop on the south east corner of Langridge and Park Streets. In 1883 the shop was completed. In 1884, when the property was listed as 'shop, etc.', McAlpine purchased the wooden house and land adjacent to it. By 1887 the shop on the south-west corner had been sold to Edward Kimpton and the shop on the south-east corner was listed as brick shop and bakery, owned and occupied by John McAlpine. The situation remained the same in 1900.¹

Andrew Ward. *Collingwood Conservation Study*. 1995.

Description

The former shop at 213 Langridge Street, Abbotsford, is a two-storey Italianate brick building. The walls are of ruled rendered brick, which has been painted. The north elevation, to Langridge Street, has, at its eastern end, a three-bay arcaded loggia, one bay of which has been filled in. Central to each of the arches is a keystone bearing the Aesculapian staff, incised into the render, suggesting it may have been a doctor's premises. The two remaining bays have original iron picket fencing and gate. To their west is a single window opening, which has louvred shutters. The corner splay has no opening at ground floor, and a blind opening at first floor level. The east elevation has two windows at either level. At first floor level, there are three unevenly spaced windows above the loggia. The windows are timber-framed double-hung sashes, and those at first floor level have scallop-edged timber valances which appear to have once concealed external blinds. The windows have shallow, moulded rendered architraves and bracketed sills. The roof is concealed behind a simple parapet which has a bracketed cornice. A single brick chimney with a damaged corbelled top is visible.

Significance

The former bakery at 213 Langridge Street is of local historical and architectural significance. Architecturally, it is a typically detailed Victorian shop which remains substantially intact. Historically, the building derives its significance from its association with John McAlpine, who operated the nearby McAlpine's Model Bakery complex, now demolished, for much of the early 20th century. The present building is now the only building associated with this complex to remain on this site.

Original Source

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¹ Collingwood Rate Books 1882-1884, 1887, 1901.