**Building:** Significance: Residences 2G K1 Address: 39-41 Nicholson Street, Melway Map Ref: Abbotsford **Building Type:** Construction Date: 1868-69 Residences No. 39: D Parry; Architect: Builder: Unknown No. 41: A Lainson



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

## History

The houses at 39-41 Nicholson Street, Abbotsford, were built in 1868-69 by owner builders D Parry and Alfred Lainson. Subsequent owners of No. 39 include Carl Hildebrandt (tobacconist, 1875), Adolfus Trott (traveller, 1878), Harry Knott (contractor, 1883), Daniel Roberts (dealer, gent, 1890), Brown family (1902), W D Beazley (1911), Chas Carnegie (1916), E & A Howell (1928). Subsequent owners of No. 41 include John Hollingdack (civil servant (1882), John Grant (1892), Alice Oakman (1904), Norman Britten (grocer, 1906), Suburban Homes Pty Ltd (1922) and Presbyterian Dowres Emergency Hospital (1925).

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## Description

The houses at 39-41 Nicholson Street, Abbotsford, are two identical one-and-a-half-storey detached single-fronted residences, constructed of coursed bluestone with gabled slate roofs. The street elevations have been rendered. The gable ends facing the street have decorative carved bargeboards and finials. Windows are single-paned double-hung sashes with bluestone sills, and chimneys are rendered with corbelled caps. The side elevations have unusual multi-paned bay windows rising to two storeys, lighting the stair wells, with barrel-vaulted corrugated iron roofs.

Alterations to the houses include the replacement of the first floor sash window with a casement window at No. 41, and removal of the gable finial, recladding of the barrel-vaulted stairwell bay window and painting of the bluestone side elevations at No. 39. Neither of the houses has a front fence.

## Significance

The houses at 39-41 Nicholson Street, Abbotsford, are of considerable local architectural significance. They are rare, early examples of modest, Gothic style bluestone houses, with distinctive carved bargeboards and unusual multi-paned bay windows to the stairwells.

## **Original Source**

Andrew Ward. Collingwood Conservation Study. 1995.

<sup>1</sup> Collingwood Rate Books.