

Building:	House	Significance:	B
Address:	29 Valiant Street, Abbotsford	Melway Map Ref:	2D B9
Building Type:	Residence	Construction Date:	1870
Architect:	Unknown	Builder:	Thomas Wilson



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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 1869, Thomas Wilson owned enclosed land on the south side of Valiant Street between Clarke and Hunter Streets on which he built a wooden house in 1870, leasing it to Charles Smith, a clerk.¹ Wilson retained ownership at least until 1900, at which time Richard Wilson, a carpenter, was tenant.²

Andrew Ward. *Collingwood Conservation Study*. 1995.

Description

29 Valiant Street, Abbotsford, is a small single-storey asymmetrical timber villa with a projecting bay and verandah. The roof is pitched, and has bargeboards at the gable ends, with carved timber finials at their apices. The underside of the bay window eaves is dentillated. Remnants of similar dentils are evident on the verandah fascia. The verandah beam and posts are stop-chamfered. The bay window is flanked by two timber pilasters, one of which is missing its capital.

Windows are timber-framed double-hung sashes, and the frames of the bay window sashes are unusually curved at the upper corners. The window facing the verandah has glazing bars which divide each of the sashes into six lights. The front door also opens onto the verandah, but it is set into the side of the projecting bay rather than facing the street.

Significance

The house at 29 Valiant Street, Abbotsford, is of local architectural significance. It is an unusual mid-Victorian small timber house which incorporates a number of interesting distinctive details, in particular the verandah and window joinery, which more typically would be found on a larger composition.

Original Source

Andrew Ward. *Collingwood Conservation Study*. 1995.

1 Rate Books 1869, 1870.

2 Rate Book 1901.