

PLACE NAME: 'BELLEVILLE'

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA CITY OF GEELONG

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY (References)

STYLE OR PERIOD: Picturesque Victorian Gothic

ARCHITECT(S)/DESIGN ORIGIN: Davidson and Henderson, architects, Geelong.

Geelong Advertiser, 11th October, 1870.

BUILDER:

Reference:

PRINCIPAL ARTISANS/ARTISTS/TRADES

Reference:

TENDER NOTICE: 11th October, 1870
Reference:

DATE(S) OF CONSTRUCTION 1870
Reference:

ESTIMATE/CONTRACT VALUE

SUBSEQUENT WORKS/ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS

Billiard room added 1874.

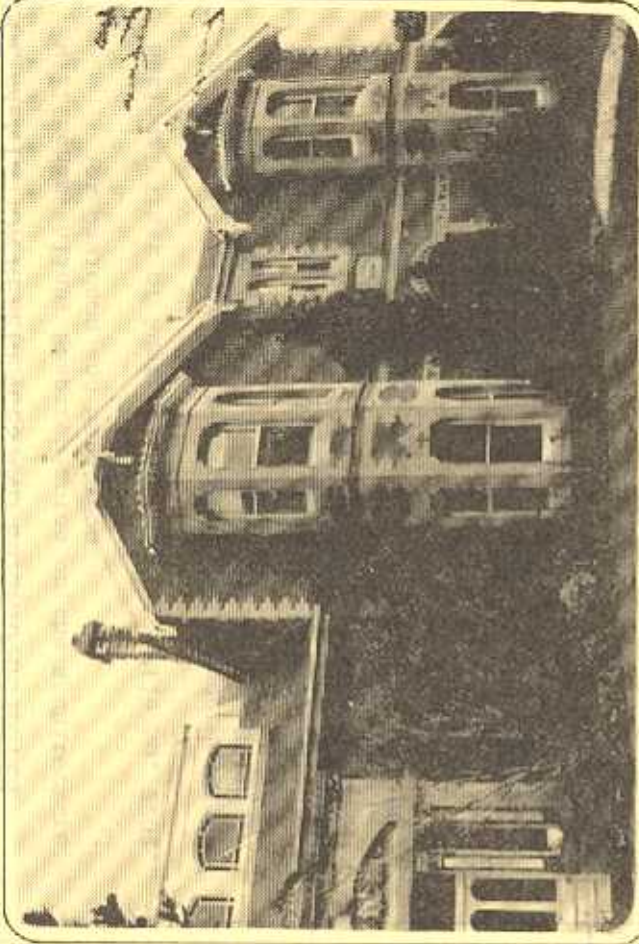
ORIGINAL OWNER(S)/OCCUPANT(S) David Boswell Reid, surgeon of Geelong.

SUBSEQUENT SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/OCCUPANTS

Dr. Wm. Gardner 1881-1912

Dr. R.G. McPhee 1912-1946

OTHER NOTES Dr. Reid purchased the land in 1869 from William Burrow who bought it in the original sale of Crown land in 1859.



NEGATIVE FILE:

Australian Heritage Commission Register of National Estate

Historic Buildings Preservation Council Register No.
File No.

National Trust of Aust. (Vic) Classified ~~Registered~~
File No. 2262

Geelong Regional Commission Register No. 112

IDENTIFICATION DATA

PLACE NAME 'Belleville',
ADDRESS 350 Ryrie Street,
Geelong, 3220.

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TITLE INFORMATION

MAP REFERENCE _____

PRESENT USE Residence
PRESENT OWNER/LESSEE W.H. & A. Huffart,
ADDRESS 350 Ryrie Street,
Geelong, 3220. TELEPHONE (052) _____

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DOCUMENTATION REFERENCES AND BIOGRAPHIC NOTES

Willingham, Allan, Research notes on the architecture of Davidson and Henderson.

National Trust of Australia (Victoria), File No. 2202.

Geelong Advertiser, 11th October, 1870-tender notice
3rd August, 1874 - tender notice for Billiard room

Sutherland, Alexander, Victoria and Its Metropolis - Past and Present, 2 Volumes, McCarron, Bird and Co., Melbourne, 1888.
Vol. II, p. 155. Biographic sketch of David Boswell Reid.

Willingham, Allan, "Two Scots in Victoria: The Architecture of Davidson and Henderson", Master of Architecture Thesis, University of Melbourne, 1983.

CITATION

The 9 room villa 'Belleville' at 350 Rynie Street, Geelong, was erected in 1870 for David Boswell Reid, from designs prepared by leading Geelong architects, Davidson and Henderson. This two storey dichromatic brick residence is in the style of the picturesque gothic villa and enhanced full height bay windows and ornamental carvings in Waurn Ponds freestone.

The interiors are innovatively detailed, with the iron balustrated staircase, plaster ceilings and billiard room (1874) of great interest. The front fence to Rynie Street is notable and intact.

SIGNIFICANCE OF PLACE

- Its creative and/or technical accomplishment.
- Its demonstration of a way of life, custom, process or function no longer practised, in danger of being lost or of exceptional interest.
- Its strong association with an important figure or figures, development, or cultural phase.
- Its townscape and/or landscape value.
- Its scarcity value.

SIGNIFICANCE

- LOCAL REGIONAL STATE NATIONAL WORLD

CONDITION

- EXCELLENT GOOD FAIR DETERIORATED RUINS

INTEGRITY

- HIGH LOW ALTERED DAMAGED

RECOMMENDATIONS: PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Geelong Regional Commission Register
Historic Buildings Council Register

(the ornate timber and iron fence to Rynie Street is an important element in the complex which includes stables at the rear of the house).

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