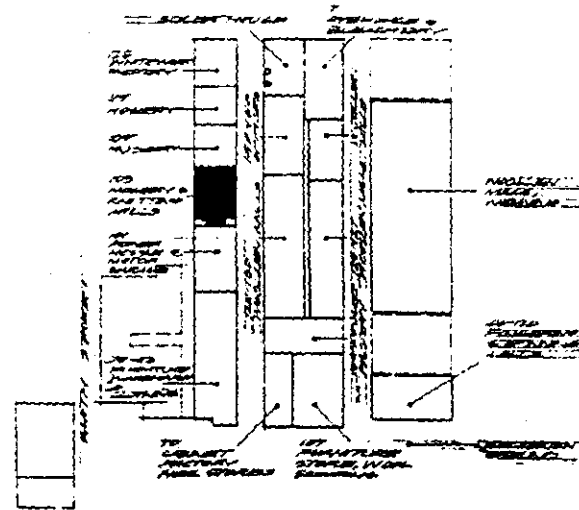


Andrew C Ward & Associates

Building

103 - 109 Oxford Street (south end)



Allotment Reference

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National Trust Register

Under consideration

National Estate Register

Recommended

Historic Buildings Council Register

Recommended

<u>Location within Precinct</u>	Collingwood Slope
<u>Photograph Date:</u>	24.3.1988
<u>Grantee</u>	S.A. Donaldson
<u>Original Owner</u>	Foy & Gibson Pty. Ltd.
<u>Present Owner</u>	
<u>Original Use</u>	Hosiery and Knitting Mills
<u>Present Use</u>	Cresknit Aywon Consolidated Pty. Ltd.
<u>Construction Date:</u>	1898
<u>Architect</u>	probably William Pitt
<u>Builder</u>	
<u>Description</u>	A dominant 5 storeyed factory block with bays to Oxford Street and lift/stair well on the south side abutting the former power house. Stuccoed cornice line is at second floor level and also at parapet level, with a raised central section. Pilasters are rusticated on levels 3, 4 and 5, the building generally conforming to the standard Foy and Gibson details. Windows are of timber. Inside, floors are of timber construction, carried on rivetted steel beams and cast iron columns. Access is available by stair (original), lift and goods lift.
<u>Condition</u>	Good, stuccoed work poor.
<u>Integrity</u>	Good, parapet ornamentation removed.
<u>History</u>	The former hosiery factory and knitting mills was built in 1898 (RB 1899) on land occupied in 1897 (RB 1898) by 4 houses (Nos. 145, 147, 149 and 151).
<u>Significance</u>	The former F & G hosiery factory and knitting mills at 103 Oxford Street forms a key element in the Oxford Streetscape and is important also for its probable link with William Pitt, architect and City of Collingwood councillor. The building has not been recently renovated. It is the largest building forming part of the hosiery factory and recalls the rapid growth of 'ladies' and gentlemen's cashmere hosiery sustained around the turn of the century.

Recommendations

Recommended for inclusion on the National Estate Register, HBC register and for planning scheme protection.

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