

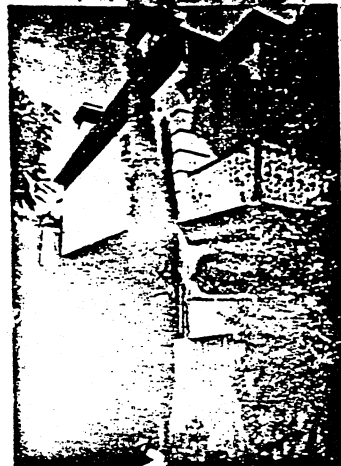
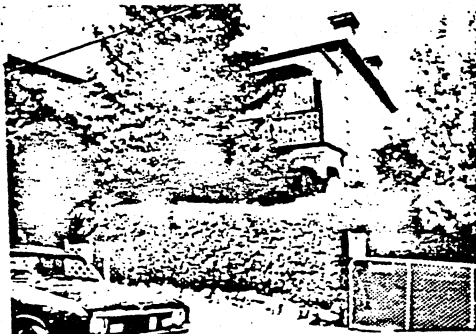
UNTITLED HOUSE
former residence J.T. Smith

30 Darling Street
SOUTH YARRA VIC. 3141

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BUILDING CITATION

The house at 30 Darling Street, South Yarra was erected c. 1856 for John Thomas Smith, pioneer Melbourne resident publican, politician, and landowner, most possibly to the design of early Melbourne architect David Ross. The two storey 11 room brick house constructed with slate roof, rendered facade, symmetrically displaced french windows and later cast iron balcony verandah is a colonial town house design reminiscent of the regency architecture of N.S.W. and Tasmania.

The J.T. Smith house is of local historical importance being erected and then occupied for a short term (1857-60) by J.T. Smith, celebrated public figure, foundation Melbourne City Councillor and seven times Mayor, and State Politician.

The house is of architectural interest as a colonial town house of the immediate post gold rush era, and if substantiated, a rare and representative surviving work of important early Melbourne architect David Ross.

The original character of the house at 30 Darling Street, South Yarra has been substantially affected by the erection of a later cast iron balcony verandah and by part replastering of the facade. The interior has not been inspected and the house is now divided into flats.

Of local significance.

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