

3 - 5 Mercer Road

1890: Walker, Robert gent. owner Bk. hse. 11 r. erecting. Walker, Robert gent. owner Bk. hse. 11 r. erecting (Malvern Rate Books)
 1903: Owner, S Schuhkrafft (by his attorney Robert Mayston, 411 Lonsdale St. Melb) (MMBW Drainage Plan 37543)

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1892: Birrell
 1893-95: Watkinson, Percy
 1896-97: Norman, William J.
 1899: Lukey, Mrs Mary
 1900-01: Livingstone, Joseph. 'Laloma'
 1902-03: Despard
 1904-05: Elliott, Edwin
 1906-07: Despard, Mrs Meta
 1908-09: Evans
 1910: Thompson, Wilfred
 1911: McFarland, John
 1917: Johnstone, Miss A
 1924-29: Miss Margaret Mercer, music tchr.
 1942: Bennett, Miss Bessie
 1959: Fortuin, W E
 1969: Morrison, Mrs J
 (Sands & McDougall Directories)

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1891: Vacant
 1892: Nipper, George
 1894-97: Walker, Will. G
 1899-1901: Stewart, Mrs M J
 1902: Pumphrey, Mrs Mary
 1904-06: Lukey, Mrs Mary



1908-17: Mayston, Robert
1924: Round, Mrs A L
1927: Hemmons, Melson
1929: Round
1942-52: Laver, Mrs M
1959: Murphy, Mrs C
(Sands & McDougall Directories)

An unusual pair of terrace houses built in an architectural style not normally associated with this building form. The pedimented parapets have an unusual Jacobean/Free Style character and the arcaded balconies on both levels are unusual in the irregularity of the archway openings. The slate roof, terracotta ridging and brick chimneys with rendered bands fully identify the architectural era as does the turned timber balustrades on the upper level. The building retains a section of original fence at 3 Mercer Road and is basically intact otherwise, except for the painting of the brick work and cement render thus losing much of the original design expression.

3 - 5 Mercer Road is of state significance as early example of the Jacobean/Free Style in Victoria. They form an unusual pair of terrace houses built in an architectural style not normally associated with this building form.