

**LAMSEY'S STORE
SHOPS & RESIDENCE
69 FARMER LANE, BENDIGO**

SURVEY DATE: 1991-2

STUDY GRADING: B*

CONSTRUCTION DATE: 1885

FIRST OWNER : LAMSEY, JAMES



CITATION:

History

‘Mr. Lamsey was a Chinese doctor and leader of the Chinese community in Bendigo. As such he always led the Chinese section in the Easter Fair procession. Part of his practice was in Melbourne and, showing admirable economy, he sometimes undertook consultations on the train as well. When he died his body was returned to China for burial with his ancestors, according to custom.

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The verandah and balcony were removed in the 1960s. Mr.Lamsey's private residence 'Jubilee Villa' still stands in McCrae Street, facing St. Kilian's Church¹.

Other Sources:

This area, including Bridge Street, was long identified with the Bendigo Chinese, as shown by the high concentration of Chinese occupied shops (restaurants, draperies, cook shops) there at the turn of the century. Much of this has gone. The proximity of the old cemetery also attracted undertakers, such as William H.Oakley who established there in c1853 and T.Sayer²

¹ Butcher & Flanders p.47, see early photo showing the verandah
² see early adverts. copy held