MUNICIPALITY OF PORT HOPE

HERITAGE DESIGNATION

Address: 39 South Street

Architectural Style: Queen Anne

Date Built: Circa 1869

Date Designated: July 9, 1990 to By-Law No. 57/90, SCHEDULE B-2

Lot Description: PART TOWN PLOT LOT 70



Architectural Description

This is the east (left) half of a two and a half storey semi-detached brick house (in running bond), a mirror image of its neighbour. It is dominated by a wide two-storey bay window with gable peak. The apex of the gable is trimmed with patterned siding. The lower reaches of the gable is accented by similar trim. Trefoil ornament and arched form on this trim is of note.

At attic level is a narrow round-arched window. The rest of the windows are flat-arched and distinguished by perimeter panes in stained glass, not unlike those observed in other contemporary buildings in the neighbourhood. The transom and sidelights that surround the panelled front door are glazed in a similar pattern. The verandah is of note with simple turned posts supporting a wood floor. Steps and lattice work complete the composition. This house retains its original shutters. A tall end chimney is found on the east elevation.

As a good example of urban-style housing from the Victorian era, this semi-detached dwelling is worthy of designation. It is an important aspect of the nearby streetscape, which also includes the Anglican and United Churches and the Grange.

Historical Abstract

No conclusive history has been determined for this house.