MUNICIPALITY OF PORT HOPE

HERITAGE DESIGNATION

Address: 59 Walton Street

Known as: Meredith Building

Architectural Style: Walton Street Heritage District

Date Built: Circa 1855

Date Designated: October 6, 1997 to By-Law No. 44/97

Lot Description: PT LOT 54 S/WALTON ST



Architectural Description

This is a brick commercial block with assembly or storage space above. It is two storeys high in a single unit and appears as a truncated form of 53-57 Walton Street, never having been constructed to the third floor level. A patterned brick parapet shields the shed roof while the cornice is a simple design. Three bays wide, its long, narrow windows are now blocked over. A plain sill supports the windows as they are headed by a stone lintel with a brick arch above the recess. The shop front is modernly designed.

Historical Abstract

As in the Meredith Block, Meredith owned the property including this lot in 1849.

Meredith left the property to his wife in 1892, who in turn left it to their daughter, Amy. In 1907, the Meredith Estate was sold to John A. Brown. Upon the death of Brown, the estate was divided and this building went to Meredith Perrin and wife.

During Meredith's possession, James Lang occupied a clothing store in the building and he was succeeded by Edward Budge. The Budges established their business in 1851. Succeeding Budge was R. Dunn and Company's stove and tin warehouse. They moved to the Quinlan Block in 1880 occupying the westernmost unit in which Cornelius Quinlan had operated his tin and stove business.