MUNICIPALITY OF PORT HOPE

HERITAGE DESIGNATION

Address: 98 Pine Street South

Known as: Charles Gilchrist House

Architectural Style: Italianate

Date Built: Circa 1879

Date Designated: April 21, 1986 to By-Law No. 28/86, SCHEDULE B-2

Lot Description: PLAN 10 PT LOTS 2 TO 4 & 103



Architectural Description

A red brick building with side entrance, three bay, hipped roof, bracketed eaves, and semi-segmental arches to the windows.

Historical Abstract

Plan 10 was the subdivision of part of Town Plot Lot 60 that was dated November 1866 and registered in April 1877 for Sarah S. Williams, wife of J.T. Williams. In 1866, Charles Gilchrist purchased part lot two to four in Town Plot Lot 60, lots that were later registered as part of Plan 10.

Charles Gilchrist was born in Upper Canada in 1826 and was the Chief Constable for Port Hope in 1868. Although he purchased the lots in 1866, he provides his address as Queen Street possibly the Town Hall address since that is the address he provides in a later directory of 1871.

The house is drawn on the Bird's Eye View of 1874 suggesting it was constructed in the early 1870's. In 1878, Charles Gilchrist married Eliza Jane Casey (Mrs. H.N. Casey) and registered a life lease on the property. In a business directory of 1880, Charles Gilchrist provided his occupation as a fisheries inspector, and his address as an owner of an eighth of an acre on John Street. This unusual wedge shaped corner has a present day Pine Street address but according to maps of the 1870's, it was considered an extension of John Street rather than Pine Street.

Charles Gilchrist continued to reside at the "John Street" residence for many years selling the property with a right of way access to George A. Smith in 1907.



Architectural Detail

The front facade is three bays wide with a side entrance. The roof is hipped and has bracketed eaves.