MUNICIPALITY OF PORT HOPE

HERITAGE DESIGNATION

Address: 91-93 Mill Street North

Known as: Deyell Terrace

Architectural Style: Victorian

Date Built: Circa 1890

Date Designated: September 19,1983 to By-Law No. 51/83, SCHEDULE B-3

Lot Description: PLAN 41 PT. LOTS 28, 29, 30



Architectural Description

91 and 93 Mill Street are, respectively, the south and middle sections of a row of three attached related buildings. The two-bay, two storey houses are constructed of brick laid in garden wall bond. The roof is of medium pitch with a front gable containing a decorative finial.

The doorways are in a projecting frontispiece and are composed of paired doors containing long round-headed windows with square panels below. A transom with one dividing muntin is contained above. The windows in the projecting frontispiece below the gable are Edwardian in style with segmental stained glass transoms above two vertically divided panes. A small mainly decorative round-headed louvred window is placed below the gable.

A decorative string course of dark brick runs below the eaves line. A section of corbelled brick is situated below the large ground floor windows. The foundation is of coarse rubble. There are four chimneys on the front and four on the rear of the roof. The wooden porches with three supports each may be later additions.

Historical Abstract

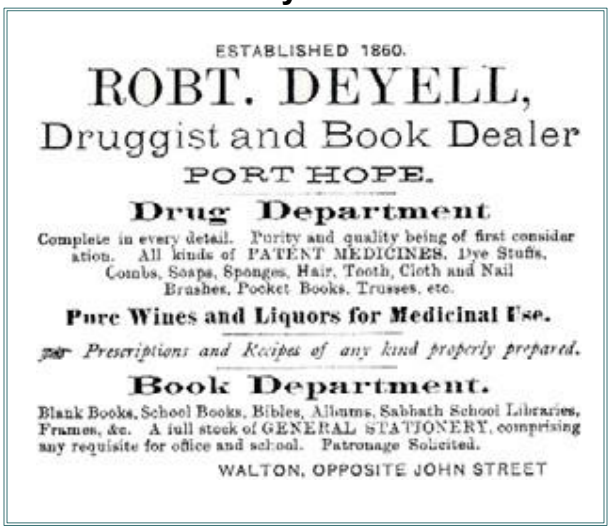
In the late 1880's, Robert Deyell began to purchase land on Mill Street in order to erect a three-house terrace later known as the Deyell Terrace (91-95 Mill Street) located by nearby Barrett's Terrace. In 1884, Robert Deyell bought Lots 28 and 29 from James Collins. In 1885, he purchased lot 30 from James Calcutt Jr. The lots were near the former location of the James Calcutt Fountain Brewery on Mill Street.

James Calcutt (1792-1869) was an established brewer who had come to Canada from Ireland in 1832, and settled initially in Cobourg. Calcutt established a brewery in Cobourg and built Lakehurst at 128 Durham Street, one of the first brick buildings erected in Cobourg. By the late 1850's, Calcutt ran into financial difficulty and had to sell Lakehurst and his business interests in Cobourg. He and his wife moved to Port Hope in 1859. By 1865, he established a brewery on Mill Street located south of the present day funeral home.

Robert Deyell (1850-1838) was born in Ontario. Deyell's father, James, established the first gristmill at Millbrook in the 1840's. Robert was a druggist who established his business in 1870 in partnership initially with John B. Woolhouse (who had established a drugstore in 1860), then later on his own. His drug store was located on the corner of Ontario and Walton Street in the Wilson's Block (70-76 Walton Street). He resided on Brown Street (90 Brown Street).

In 1912, he had Plan No. 41, the "Deyell Plan", drawn up after the houses were constructed.

Historical Directory Ad



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Historical view Deyell Terrace, Photo: East Durham Historical Society



Architectural Detail

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