8 BALDWIN STREET

Ontario Cottage - Regency



circa 1860

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Lot Description: BALDWIN PLAN LOT 12 E1/2, TOWN PLOT LOT 91

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

This is one of the many small houses often referred to as cottages on the Port Hope scene. Its hipped roof and main storey set on a high basement offer the amenity of a full two-storey house somewhat more capacious than the alternative storey and a half arrangement. The design is a three-bay front in red brick notable for its twin pilaster corner treatment, French windows, and centre door case with full height sidelights and transom above the door. The brickwork starts at the sill level of the lower storey windows and the pilasters are terminated by a projecting brick frieze across the front of the building below the soffit of the eaves. Lower windows are casements in pairs to main room with timber lintels of flat arch outline.

The two-level verandah is a twentieth century rebuilding of an earlier arrangement of similar form, but probably incorporating more delicate treatment such as trellis posts and bowed roof. This may be revealed should the present verandah be removed. Front walls enclosing the lower storey are also more recent work. Pilasters were once painted a contrasting buff colour, but the front brickwork has been retouched with mortar wash and red colour with an overlay of tape pointing to pick out a stretcher bond pattern.

HISTORICAL ABSTRACT

There is no conclusive history for this house.