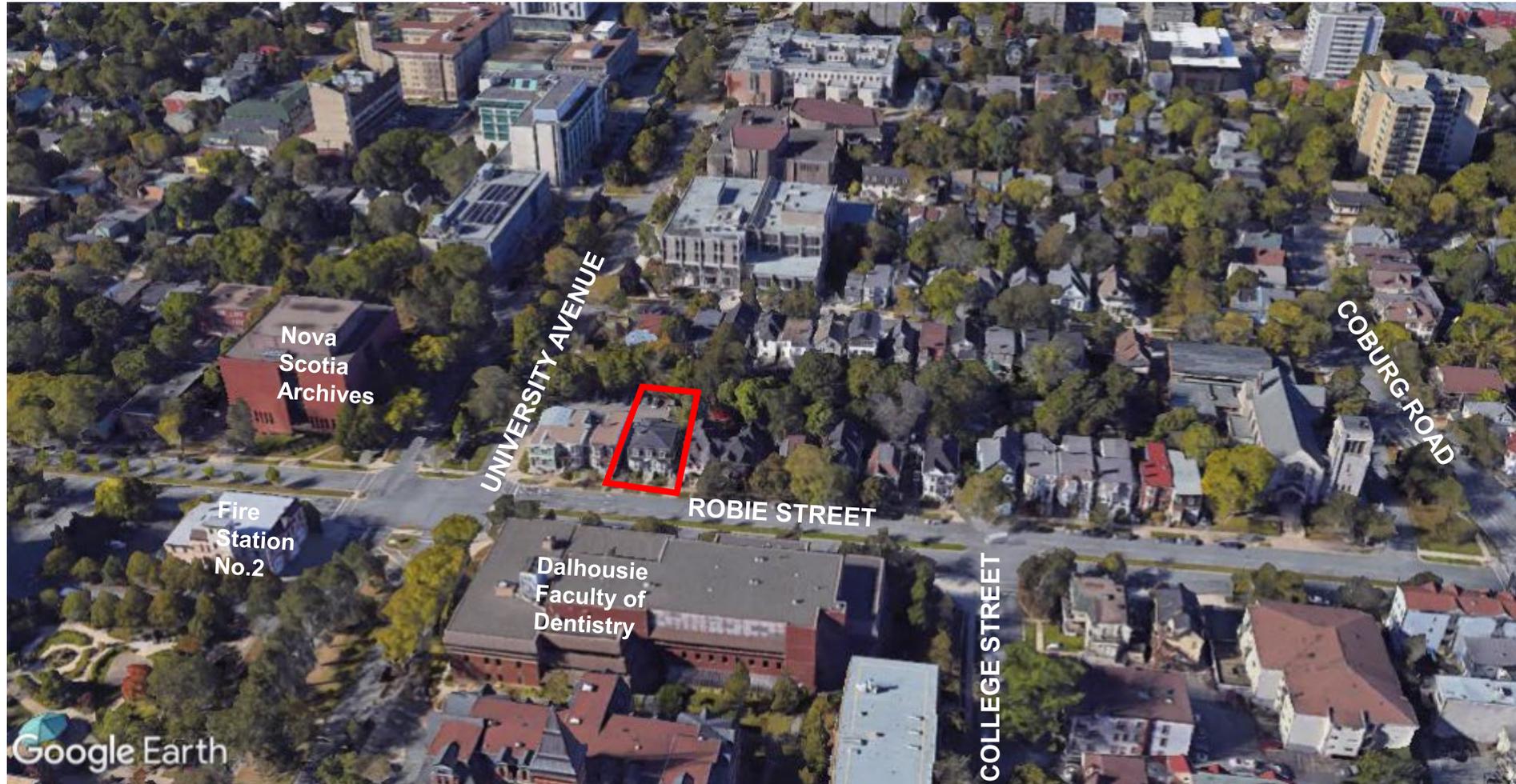


H00525 – 1322 Robie Street

Request to Include Property in the Registry of Heritage Property
for the Halifax Regional Municipality

Heritage Advisory Committee
October 5, 2022

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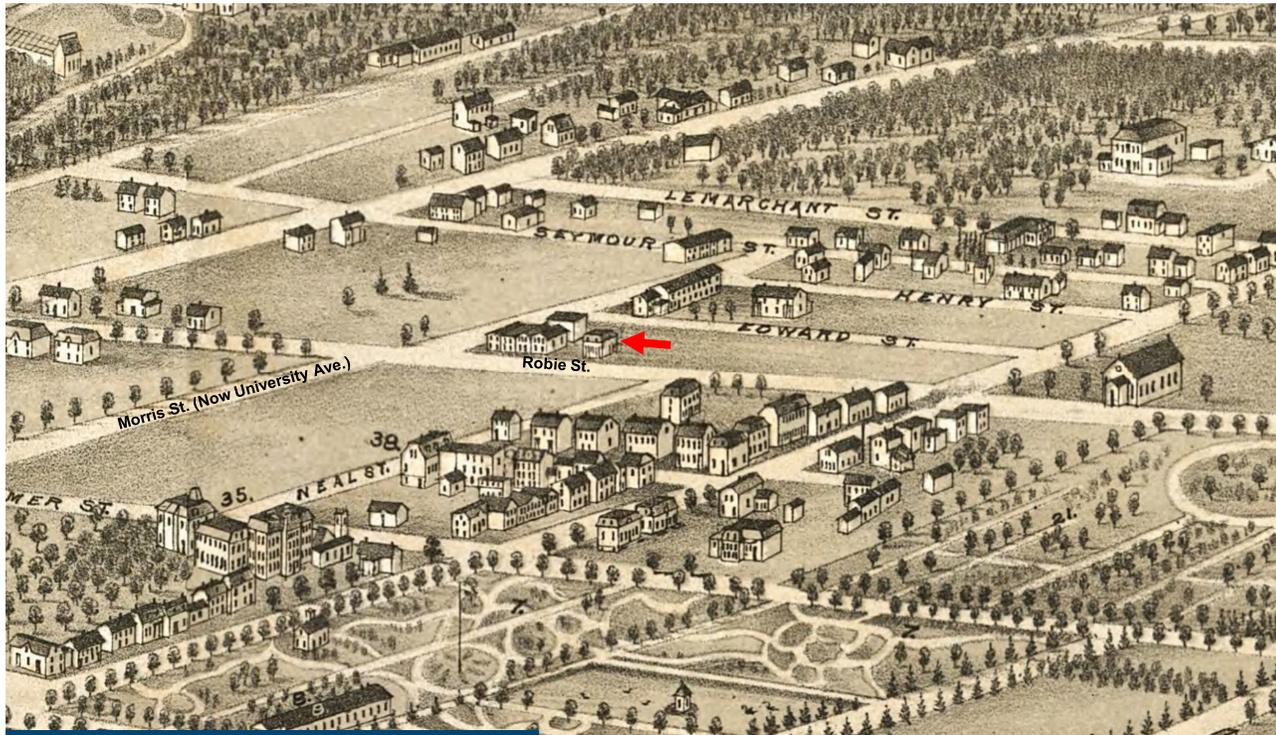
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1. Age



1879 Ruger's Panoramic Map

- Lot was part of the original “Robie’s Field” subdivision
- Building constructed in 1878

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1. Age

Date of Construction	Points	Timeline
1749 - 1785	25	Halifax Garrison Town to the Loyalist migration
1786 - 1830	20	Boom period following construction of Shubenacadie Canal
1831 - 1867	16	From Boom to Confederation
1868 - 1899	13	Confederation to the end of the 19 th century
1900 - 1917	9	Turn of the Century to Halifax Harbour Explosion
1918 - 1945	5	The War Years
1945 - Present	3	Post-War

2a. Historical Importance *(Historical Relationships)*

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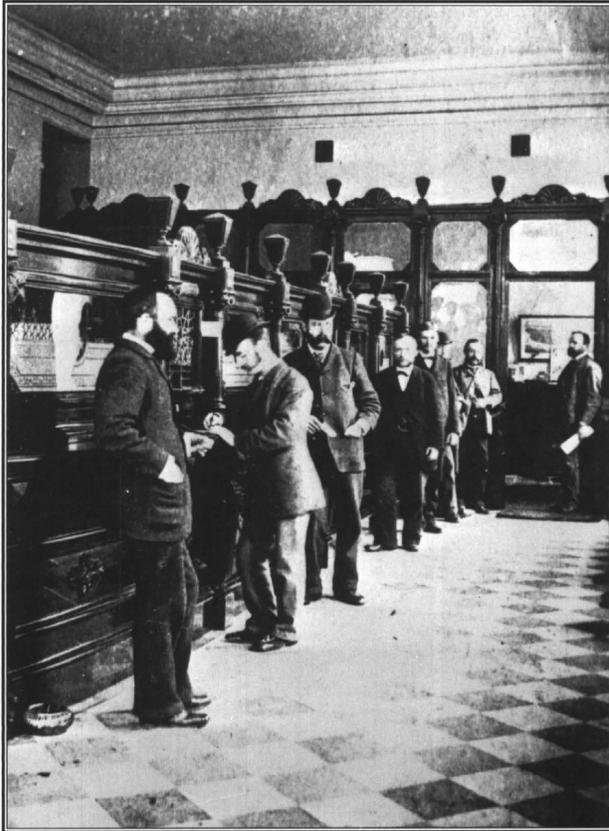
58 ROBIE STREET, HALIFAX.

- Hezekiah and Estella McAlpine purchased the property in 1898 and operated the printing press out of the home
- Charles and Annie McAlpine purchased the property in 1904
- The family company continued to produce directories until 1926

Ad in the 1898 McAlpine's Halifax City Directory

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2b. Historical Importance *(Historical Relationships)*



Head Office staff at the First Merchant's Bank, with George Maclean second from the right

- George Maclean (1835-unknown)
- Rev. Thomas Watson Smith
- Alexander Hobrecker (1844-1919)
- Dr. Arthur Stanley Mackenzie (1865-1938)
- James T. Wilson (1871-unknown)
- John Duncan Fraser (1846-1921) & Hugh G. Fraser (1886-1926)
- Dr. Gordon B. Wiswell (1890-1970)

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2b. Historical Importance *(Historical Relationships)*

Importance	Points
Highly important, Unique, or representative of an era	16 - 20
Moderately important, Unique, or representative of an era	11 - 15
Somewhat important, or representative of an era	10 - 1
Not important, Unique, or representative of an era	0

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3. Significance of Architect/Builder



- Built by Master-Builder Samuel Manners Brookfield.
- Nationally noteworthy architect who also built the Dingle Tower, the Freemason's Hall, and All Saints Cathedral, among others

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4a. Architectural Merit (*Construction Type*)

- Light-frame wood construction in an L-shaped Plan, clad in wooden shingles
- Built on a masonry foundation with brick and coursed rubble

A) Construction type	Points
Very rare/ early example	7 - 10
Moderately rare/ early	4 - 6
Somewhat rare/ early example	1 - 3
Not rare/ common example	0



4b. Architectural Merit *(Style)*

- Second Empire style home, a style popular between 1860-1880 in Nova Scotia
- Most noteworthy aspects of the style are the mansard roof and richly ornamented door and windows
- One of only few Second Empire homes in the neighbourhood, and the best example



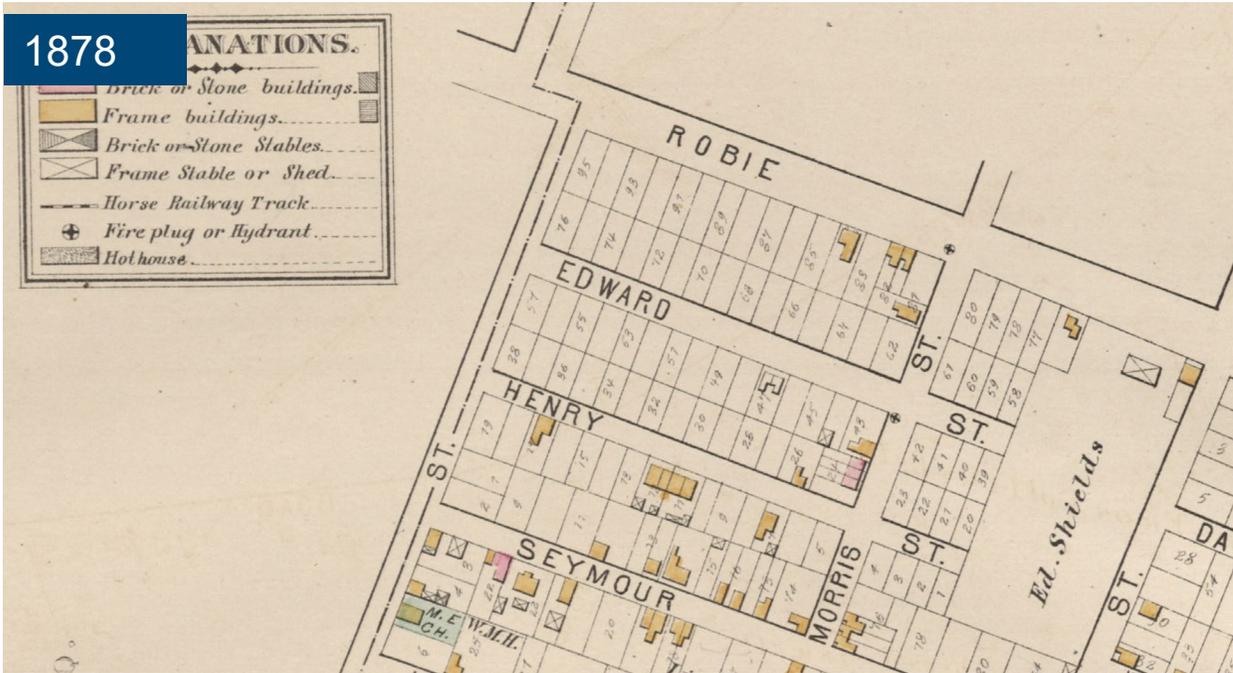
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4b. Architectural Merit (*Style*)

B) Style	Points
Very rare/ early example	7 - 10
Moderately rare/ early	4 - 6
Somewhat rare/ early example	1 - 3
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5. Architectural Integrity



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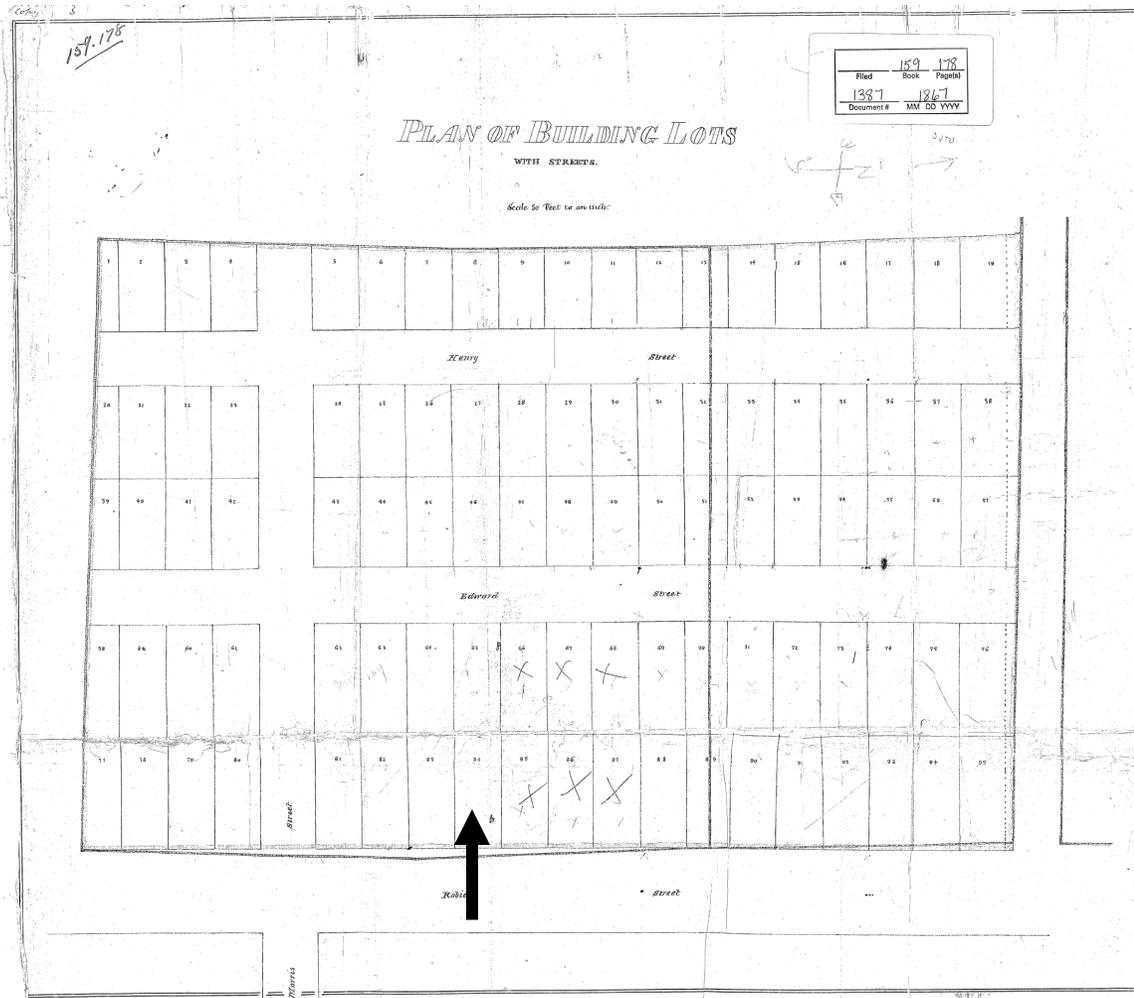
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5. Architectural Integrity

Exterior	Points
Largely unchanged	11 - 15
Modest changes	6 - 10
Major changes	1 - 5
Seriously compromised	0

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6. Relationship To Surrounding Area



- One of the first properties from the Robie's Field subdivision to be developed
- Primarily residential and institutional uses

Plans for Robie's Field Subdivision

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6. Relationship To Surrounding Area



Location of other Registered Heritage Properties in the neighbourhood

- Proximity to several Registered Heritage Properties, including:
- A: 1328 Robie Street – Louis Kaye House
- B: 1342 Robie Street – Smith Rankin House
- C: 5988 University Avenue – Morris Street Engine House
- D: 5969 College Street – Gold Cure Institute
- E: Carlton Street Early Victorian Streetscape

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6. Relationship To Surrounding Area

Points	Comments
6 - 10	The building is an important architectural asset contributing to the heritage character of the surrounding area.
1 - 5	The Architecture is compatible with the surrounding area and maintains its heritage character.
0	Does not contribute to the character of the surrounding area.

Recommendation

Should 1322 Robie Street, Halifax score 50 or more points on evaluation as a heritage property under the HRM Heritage Property Program, the Heritage Advisory Committee recommends that Regional Council:

1. Set a date for a heritage hearing to consider the inclusion of the subject property in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality; and
2. Approve the request to include 1322 Robie Street, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality, as shown on Map 1, as a municipal heritage property under the Heritage Property Act.

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Thank You