

Re: Item No. 12.2

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H00545 – 1322 Robie Street, Halifax

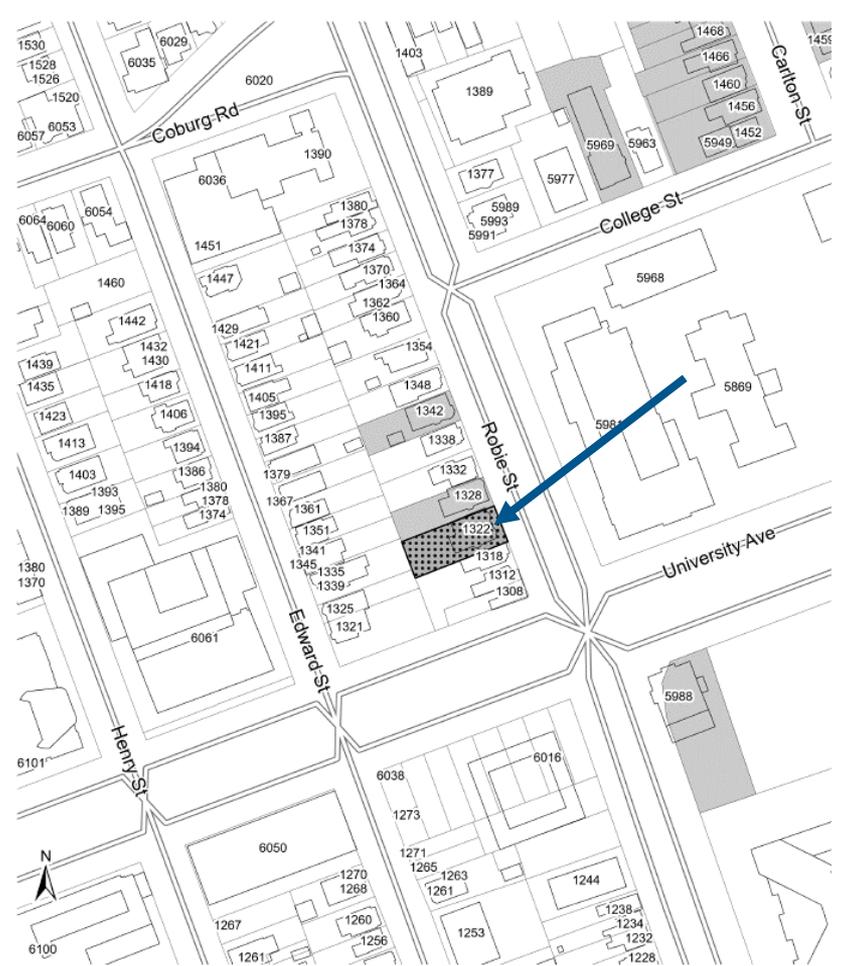
Request to Include the Property in the Registry of Heritage
Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

Regional Council
December 13, 2022

Location



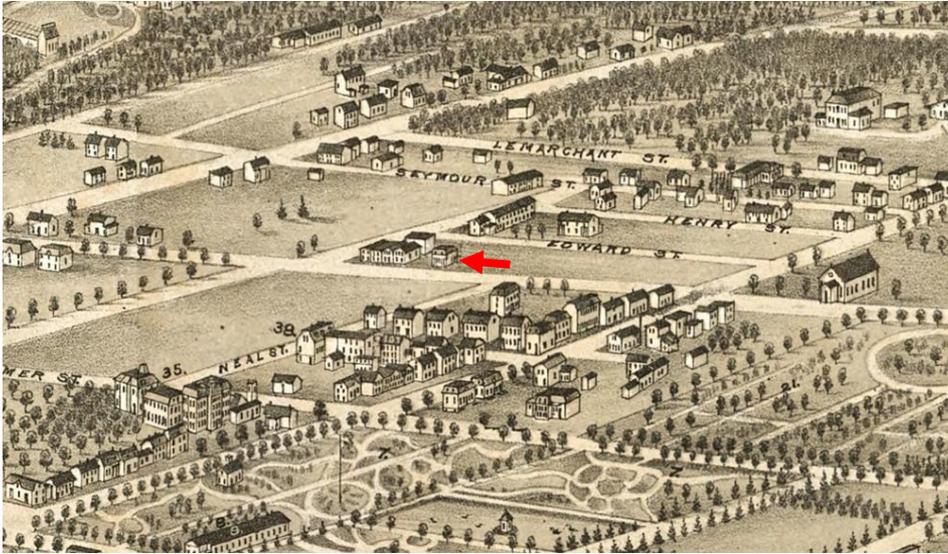
1322 Robie Street in 2022



Registration Evaluation Criteria

Criterion	Maximum Score
1. Age	25
2. Historical or Architectural Importance	20
3. Significance of Architect / Builder	10
4. Architectural Merit: Construction Type and Style	20
5. Architectural Integrity	15
6. Relationship to Surrounding Area	10
Total	100

1. Age



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

1878 Hopkins City Atlas

2a. Historical Importance

THE McALPINE DIRECTORY CO.,

—General Advertising Agents.—

Publishers of the

Halifax City,
St. John City,
Nova Scotia,
New Brunswick,
Newfoundland,
P. E. Island,
W. India Islands,
South American

Directories.

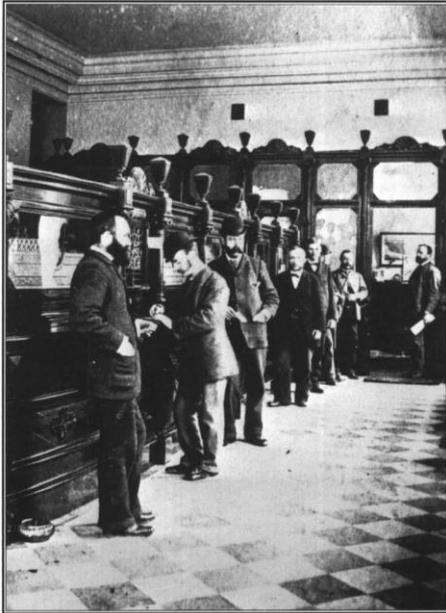
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West India Commercial Record,
Maritime Illustrated Guide,
St. John " "
Halifax " "

58 ROBIE STREET, HALIFAX.

Ad in the 1898 McAlpine's Halifax City Directory

- 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

2a. Historical Importance

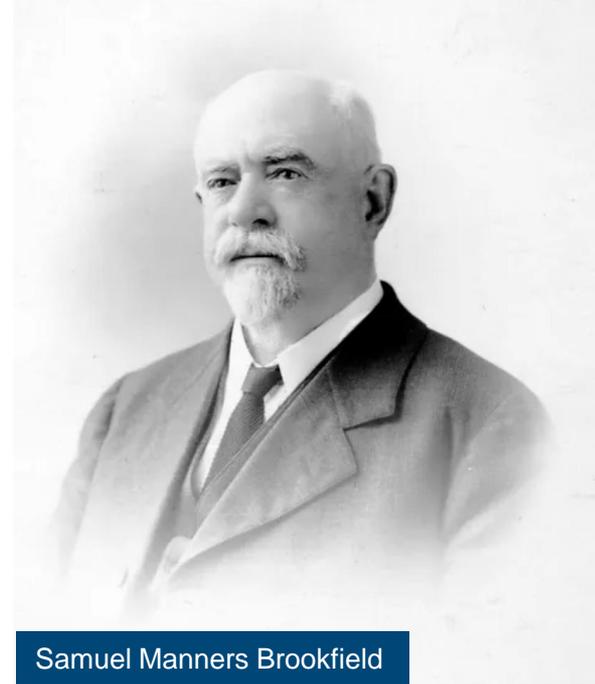


Head Office staff at the First Merchant's Bank, with George Maclean second from the right

- 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)

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



Samuel Manners Brookfield

4a. Architectural Merit (*Construction*)



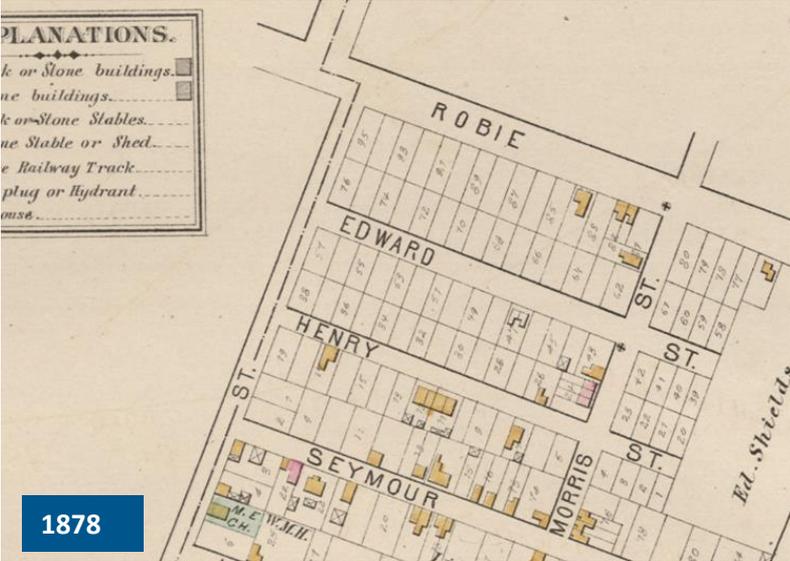
- Light-frame wood construction in an L-shaped Plan, clad in wooden shingles
- Built on a masonry foundation with brick and coursed rubble

4b. Architectural Merit *(Style)*

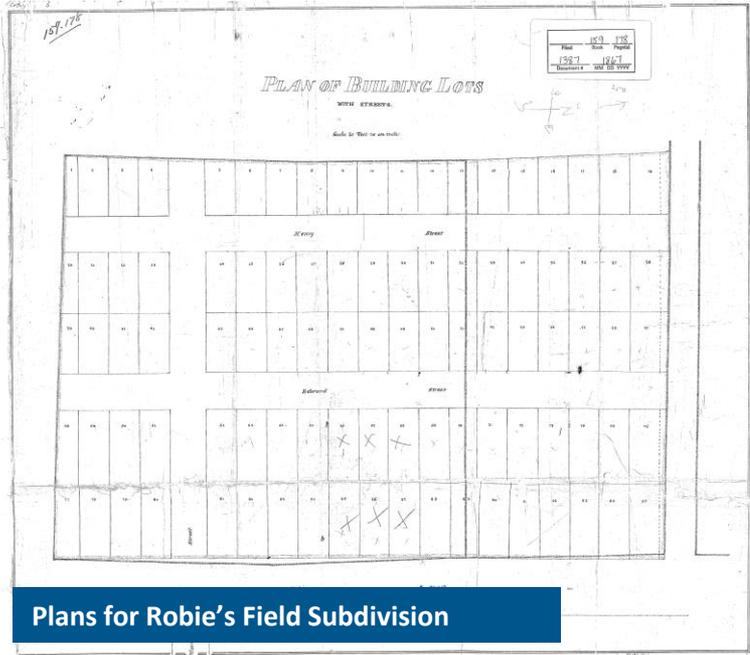


- Second Empire style home, a style popular between 1860-1880 in Nova Scotia
- Most noteworthy aspects of the style are the mansard roof and richly ornamented door and windows
- One of only few Second Empire homes in the neighbourhood, and the best example

5. Architectural Integrity

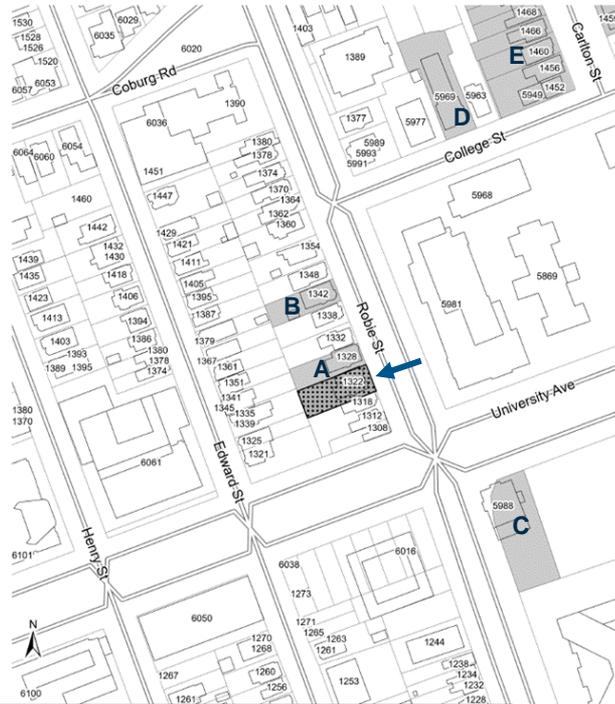


6. Relationship to Surrounding Area



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

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Plans for Robie's Field Subdivision

- 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

Registration Evaluation Criteria

Criterion	Score Awarded
1. Age	13
2. Historical or Architectural Importance	20
3. Significance of Architect / Builder	10
4a. Architectural Merit: Construction Type	2
4b. Architectural Merit: Style	10
5. Architectural Integrity	14
6. Relationship to Surrounding Area	9
Total	78

Recommendation

That Halifax Regional Council 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 of the October 5, 2022 report, as a municipal heritage property under the Heritage Property Act.

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Thank You

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