



## Legal Description

Concession 2 New Trafalgar Survey, Part of lot 15

## Description of Property

200 Martin Street is a two-storey brick house that fronts onto Martin Street. The property contains a rear wing with a low hip roof. Built in 1894, the property is an example of a late Victorian house transitioning into the Edwardian architectural style. It has the smooth red brick, minimal ornamentation and box-like, two-storey massing characteristic of the Edwardian Classicism style.

## Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Interest

### Historical or Associative Value

Historically, the Crown granted this property to John and Mary Dempsey in 1836. They were one of the earliest settlers in Milton. Their land was known as "Winding Sixteen Farm." John and Mary were natives of County Armagh, Ireland and had six children. Their son, George Dempsey, opened a dry goods grocery, and hardware store at 168-184 Main Street East in 1855. George served as a member of the Milton Council in 1860 & 1861. The land stayed in the Dempsey family until the property was inherited by two nieces, Mary Patton and Matilda Patton (spinsters).

The subject property was sold in 1893 to Walter B Dickin and his wife, Elizabeth Marie, who built this house in 1894 and, likely, the barn-like structure (coach house) at the rear of the property. Mr. Dickin operated a butcher business at 188 Main Street and owned a building behind Mary Street, which he used as a stable for the business. In 1948, Harold Graham (Paddy) Wilson became its owner. Paddy owned and operated a butcher shop on Main Street and a slaughterhouse on the outskirts of the town. Mr. Dickin and Mr. Wilson's names are honoured on this house by the Historical Society of Milton Plaque program.

### Physical or Design Value

Physically, the two-story Edwardian rectangular plan brick house sits on a stone plinth foundation. The roof is medium hip with brick chimneys, projecting eaves, plain fascia and soffits. The house is adorned with decorative frieze and roof brackets and corbels. The exterior smooth red bricks are of running bond and accented with unique decorative tile brick below the stone lug sills. A sympathetic extension was added to the rear of the building. The segmented arched brick voussoirs window openings have unique decorative extrados and display a high degree of craftsmanship in both design and materials. Windows are double-hung (initially with shutters), wooden sashes and plain stone lug sills. The main entrance is off-centre, with a two-leaf, four-paneled door with two upper glass inserts and a rectangular transom above the door. The wrapped-around verandah has tapered columns on brick pedestals, open railings and straight steps.

### Character Defining Elements/Heritage Attributes

- A two-storey brick Victorian/Edwardian-style house with a brick chimney.
- Medium hip roof with projecting eaves, plain fascia and soffits, decorative frieze brackets and corbels.
- Exterior smooth red bricks accented with decorative tile brick below stone lug sills.
- Windows openings have segmental voussoirs with ornamentation above Extrados
- Double-hung windows (initially with shutters), wooden sashes and plain stone slug sills.
- Entrance is off-centre with a two-leaf panelled door with two upper glass inserts and a rectangular transom
- Open wrapped-around verandah with tapered columns on brick pedestals, open railings and straight steps.