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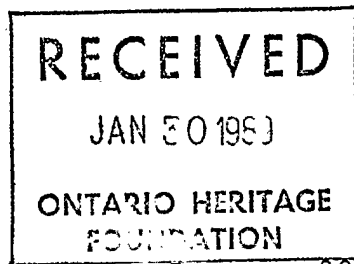
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TOWNSHIP OF DELAWARE

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January 20, 1989.

MRS. JANET PATRICK
CLERK-TREASURER
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Middlesex

Chairman,
Ontario Heritage Foundation,
77 Bloor St.,
Toronto, Ontario.
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Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed By-Law 23-88 (being a by-law
to be of architectural value) for your information.

Sincerely,

Janet Patrick,
Clerk-Treasurer.

JP/lc

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DELAWARE

BY-LAW NO. 23-1988


A by-law to designate Buildings and Structures situated at Lot 10, Plan 429 and also known as Part 1, Plan 34R1708, Township of Delaware, County of Middlesex to be of historic or architectural value or interest.

WHEREAS pursuant to The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, c. 337 the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate buildings and structures on a property to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS notice of intention to so designate buildings and structures at lot 10, Plan 429 and also being Part 1, Plan 34R1708 has been duly published and served and no notice of objection to such designation has been received.

The Municipal Council of The Corporation of The Township of Delaware enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of historic value or interest buildings and structures, more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto, at Lot 10, Plan 429 and also being Part 1, Plan 34R1708, for the reasons set out in Schedule "A" hereto.
2. The Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered upon the title to the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper Land Registry Office.
3. The Clerk is authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served upon the owner of the aforesaid property and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of this by-law to be published in Lambeth News-Star and the Strathroy Age Dispatch, and to enter the description of the buildings and structures, the name and address of its registered owner, and short reasons for its designation in the Register of all properties designated under The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980.
4. Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this
7th day of December, 1988.


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REEVE


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CLERK

SCHEDULE "A"

"All the existing buildings and structures on Plan 429, Lot 10 and being Part 1 of Plan 34R1708."

Historical Reasons

The cottage and barn, at above described location, were probably built in 1858 according to assessment information and in consideration of the architectural features of both the cottage and the barn. William Comfort was the owner of this property from 1858 - 1862; James Chapman 1862 and Frederick Cook being assessed owner from 1862 - 1873, the property then transferred to Mary Ley 1873 - 1885, Arthur Ley owner 1885 - 1947 then to the Elviage family until the present owners, [REDACTED] purchased this property in 1987.

Architectural Reasons

The one-storey cottage (33'4" x 23'2") is of rubblestone construction from basement to hipped roof; the walls being of varicoloured stone bonded with a coarse river sand parge. The corners, windows and doorways are formed of hand-hewn volcanic type petrified rock; local historians state that this rock comes from the Wishing Well area of Kilworth and the construction is unique in Canada.

The framing of the beams and floor joists is unusual in that the support of the joists on the outside walls are 6" x 6" adz-hewn logs let into the front and rear walls. A one foot rubble support wall 18'7" from the west wall has a 7" x 7" adz-hewn beam lying on top of it not anchored into the front and rear wall. The west side of the basement is excavated to 8' clear, a concrete floor having been added at a later date. The east portion is only excavated to 12" to 18" as a crawl space being a common practice in that period as the deeper section of the basement was the root cellar. A free-standing rubblestone chimney has been constructed inside and up against the east wall. It is supported on what appears to be a mass of rubblestone lime cemented into a unit. The chimney extends to the ceiling where it was cut off at a later date and is unusable. The interior walls of the main floor are not supporting walls and are pierced by doors and arches. The front wall of the cottage is divided into 5 bays; a window, a door, a window, a door and a window. The windows and doors being framed in petrified rock. The front wall is finished 2" x 2½" river smooth cobblestones in uniform layers. An addition, enclosing the former rubblestone root cellar entrance, has been added to provide a kitchen.

The post-framed barn at this location is situated 110' north of the cottage. The barn is also of rubblestone construction, with the walls being of varicoloured stone bonded with coarse river sand parge. The walls are 2' thick and reach 4' under grade. The barn is framed with 6" x 6" adz-hewn logs and anchored together with wooden pins. It is closed in with cedar boards and nailed with blacksmith square pointed nails. The barn measures 28' x 18' with a 18' x 12' addition on the west side.

The cottage and barn, both facing south, have both been constructed of unique materials and methods which makes both buildings worthy of Heritage Designation.