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THE CORPORATION
OF THE
VILLAGE OF BATH

BY-LAW NUMBER 557/85

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS 369 MAIN STREET IN THE VILLAGE OF BATH AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND/OR HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS Section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historic value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Bath has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as the "W. H. DAVY STORE" and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, Notice of Intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such Notice of Intention to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks;

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the Municipality;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Bath enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property known as the "W. H. DAVY STORE" at 369 Main Street, Bath, Ontario, more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto.
2. The municipal solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "B" hereto in the proper land Registry Office.
3. The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 10th DAY OF JUNE 1985.


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SCHEDULE "A" to By-Law No.557/85

W. H. Davy Store
Main Street, Bath, Ontario

Significance:

The Kingston Chronicle of July 2, 1819, carried an advertisement offering for sale - "A large commodious, two story stone house -- in the village of Bath. For terms apply to the subscriber James Rankin." The property had been purchased from Peter Davy in 1817 by Rankin and his partner Roderick McKay. The partnership was dissolved in 1818 when McKay was drowned while sailing from Amherst Island to the mainland. Exactly who erected the building is not certain but it is interesting to compare the entrance with that of the house built by Peter Davy in 1819 (Building #38). Moffat, George Ham and W. J. McKay owned it in turn until the property returned to the Davy family. According to the Davy family history, Benjamin Davy, son of Peter Davy, owned a store in Bath prior to 1837 and around that time he opened a store in Napanee and left the Bath store in the charge of William H. Davy, his brother. On the northwest corner, faded but still legible lettering proclaims, W. H. Davy & Co.

The building was originally built as a store and private residence. John Hogle bought the property in 1883, and his son James Casson Hogle sold it in 1948 to Walter and Gladys Young. James operated a perfumery upstairs, probably during the 1930s and early 1940s. Hogle rented the store to the Northern Crown Bank in 1916. This was taken over by the Royal Bank in 1921. The bank was robbed of \$300,000 in 1945, then the largest robbery in Canada. An explosion and fire in 1962 caused \$3,000 damage.

Another aspect of the significance of this building to Bath is that it is one of the two limestone buildings in Bath. The other limestone building is the Purdy House on highway #33 to the west of the village.

Description:

The W. H. Davy store is one of only two limestone structures in Bath. The stone is believed to have been brought across the bay from Amherst Island. This imposing building is a rectangular, two storey structure, with an asphalt shingled pyramidal roof. Originally there were a pair of large double stone chimneys on either side. Of these only two on the eastern side remain, while one on the west has been replaced by a single stack concrete block chimney. A full basement extends under the structure. The stone of the walls is cut and laid in courses, and has a tooled or hammered texture. The rear and right facades have been stuccoed and the rear wall has two small wings. The one on the left, built to contain a safe, is flat-roofed and constructed of poured concrete walls and roof. The other addition extends from the centre of the facade to just beyond the eastern wall and is a shed-roofed, glazed porch.

The front or north facade is principally a symmetrical arrangement of five bays, with the ground floor's two western bays being modified to accommodate the original, and present, commercial area of the structure. The commercial entrance in the westernmost bay is a partially-glazed, three-panelled door set within a recessed architrave with embrasures. The door itself is surrounded by plain trim and has a blind transom above. A large stone lintel runs across both the entrance bay and the adjacent window, which is double-hung with a plain surround and stone slipsill. The outside window has two-on-two glazing, the interior, twelve-on-twelve.

The main or residential entrance is centered on the ground floor. Architecturally it is well to compare this with the entrance built for the Davy House (Building #38) over 25 years earlier. The architrave consisting of four-paned side lights and elliptical transom is set within a pair of single pilasters and entablature. The transom is divided into six panes by curvilinear glazing bars. The door itself has six plain recessed panels. The remaining two bays to the left each have double-hung windows, with four-on-four glazing set in plain surrounds with stone slipsills. Each is surmounted by a stone lintel. Above are five similar windows. Here, however, the original twelve-on-twelve glazing has been retained. The eaves for the entire structure are fairly elaborate, with a boxed cornice and moulded frieze.

The western or right facade is of four bays. These were arranged to allow for fireplaces on each floor, between the first and second, and third and fourth bays. On the ground floor, what were originally doors to the commercial area in the first and third bays have been filled to half their height with clapboard. In each is a four-paned, double-hung window set in a plain wooden frame. The remaining windows are all 24-paned and resemble those of the front facade. Extending to the south, flush with this facade, is the blind, stuccoed wall of the area built to contain a safe.

The eastern, or left hand facade mirrors the arrangement of the western facade but contains windows in only the first, second, and fourth bays of the second floor and the second and fourth bays of the ground floor. The two original chimneys still remain. The stone here has been stuccoed over.

The W. H. Davy store was restored in 1976 with repointing and repainting. The original shutters of the front facade were retained or replaced when necessary. At present the building is in very good condition.

SCHEDULE "B"
TO
BY-LAW NO. 557/85

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Village of Bath in the County of Lennox and Addington and being composed of part of lot Ten, Broken Front Concession, in the Village of Bath and being more particularly described as Part 1 on Plan 29R-1026 for the said Village of Bath, and being south of Main Street and east of Davy Street, according to registered instrument #88993, registered on the 28th day of June 1976.