

# 615-625 JOHNSON STREET, VICTORIA, BC

# CONSERVATION PLAN

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# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

HISTORIC NAME: Duck's Carriage Works ADDRESS: 615-625 Johnson Street ORIGINAL OWNER: Simeon Duck ARCHITECT: Thomas Trounce, 1874; John Teague 1879-80 BUILDER: Unknown DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1874; Addition and Alterations 1879-80 and 1884

In the 1850s, Simeon Duck had purchased Lots 159a and 160a along the west side of Broad Street, from the corner of Johnson Street. The original portion of this larger building was constructed as a two-storey stone carriage factory for Duck, who later expanded with a new building to the corner of Broad Street (the first Duck's Carriage Factory) and built the adjacent Duck's Building on Broad Street in 1892. The building has undergone numerous changes over the years; the brick has been stuccoed, the storefronts have been altered, and the cornices and the two-storey front bay windows have been removed. Internally, the second floor has been split into two floors. The stone wall to the west, facing what was called Duck's Alley, dates to the original 1874 construction. This stone wall will be conserved and incorporated as part of the redevelopment of the original Duck properties.



Victoria Meat Market, 623 Johnson Street, April 1960. [CVA M00431]

# 2.2 ORIGINAL OWNER: SIMEON DUCK



Simeon Duck. [British Columbia Archives G-00746]

businessman, politician, Mason and early pioneer of British Columbia. He was born in St. Catharines, Ontario, the son of William Duck and Mary Jackson, who were both born in England. By 1859, he arrived in British Columbia by way of Panama. Hoping to strike it rich in the Fraser River Gold rush, he spent an unprofitable summer prospecting before coming to Victoria and establishing a wagon and carriage factory in Victoria. In order to make lumber, he cut oak trees and whipsawed them, and manufactured what was considered the best-wheeled vehicle made in Victoria. "The style and finish of these wagons reflect much credit on the maker, and a practical test of their merit as had on Sunday when they gave entire satisfaction." His business was at first unsuccessful, but Duck's fortunes changed when the Cariboo wagon road was completed. Suddenly many people were desperately in need of transportation to the Cariboo goldfields, and Duck's

business expanded into a general blacksmith, carriage and wagon shop. For several years starting in the mid-1860s Duck was in partnership with Stephen Sandover (1836-1918), a blacksmith; by 1871, Sandover had given up blacksmithing and was farming in North Saanich. Duck retired from the carriage works in 1881 and further developed his properties at the corner of Broad and Johnson Streets, ultimately opening a second hand furniture business in the Duck's Building in the 1890s.

In 1865, Duck married Sarah Miller (1829-1920, née Haught), a native of Letart Townhip, Meigs, Ohio. On various documents, Duck and Sarah claimed their religion as "Liberal" or omitted to fill anything in. They had one son, William, trained as a lawyer and was later a partner of the firm Duck & Johnson, real estate and insurance agents. Clearly an ingenious man, in 1875 Simeon Duck took out a patent on a Mortising Machine; in 1877 he renewed the patent with improvements that made the machine simpler and lighter.

Simeon Duck was a Conservative, and took an active interest in the Confederation movement. He represented Victoria City in the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia from 1871 to 1875, but was defeated when he ran for reelection. "Get back into your coop!" "You're a lame Duck" were just a few of the remarks made in the legislature when he spoke for an unpopular cause. In 1882 he was again elected, as was a man named Drake (Montague W. Tyrwhitt Drake). Duck and Drake were the butt of many jokes, but they laughed along with everyone else. Duck's supporters were once acidly described as "quakers" but Duck seemed to have been unabashed by either jokes or criticism. He served as Minister of Finance from 1885-86, and championed the establishment of non-sectarian free public schools. He was defeated when he ran for reelection in 1886, elected again in an 1888 byelection, and defeated in 1890. Duck also acted for a while as City treasurer, then assessor and tax collector.

Duck was a member of the Victoria volunteer fire department, and served in various positions including chief engineer. Duck became a Mason

# 2.3 ORIGINAL ARCHITECT: THOMAS TROUNCE

Abridged from Trounce entry, *Building The West*, by Stuart Stark.



Thomas Trounce, 1880s. [Stephen Allen Spencer, photographer. British Columbia Archives A-01866]

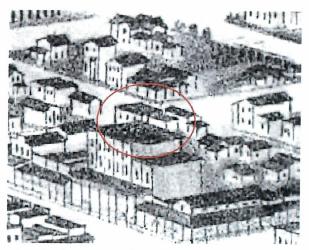
Thomas Trounce was one of the pioneer Cornishmen who contributed much to the life of early British Columbia. Born at Tregero Farm, Veryan, Cornwall, United Kingdom, Trounce later spent five years in London. Then, with his wife, Jane, he departed for New Zealand in 1841 and arrived on May 11, 1842. Trounce worked in New Zealand as a carpenter and joiner, but after a few years, he left for Tasmania, and was later drawn to the Australian gold rush. He caught "gold fever" again during the 1849 California

gold rush, and arrived in San Francisco on June 1, 1850. Trounce worked as a builder until 1858, when another gold rush in British Columbia's Fraser River valley worked its magic. Instead of travelling up the Fraser River to the gold fields, Trounce stayed in Victoria, where he first lived in a tent on Government Street, and worked as a builder. When the HBC sold off the land that provided access to his property, he established Trounce Alley in 1859, a convenient thoroughfare between Government and Broad Streets. Trounce had some means, and owned other property in both Victoria and Esquimalt. By 1859, Trounce had built a frame house on Kane Street, and by 1861 had built Tregew in James Bay, one of the first stone houses in British Columbia. Italianate in style, Tregew was built of random rubble stonework with walls two feet thick. Most of Trounce's known buildings were of masonry construction, an influence from his Cornish background. Although he certainly designed buildings from his first arrival in Victoria. Trounce also continued to act as a contractor, notably for the construction of the St. Nicholas Hotel for architects Wright & Sanders in 1862.

Trounce was a favourite of Admiral Hastings, Commander-in-Chief at the Royal Naval Dockyard, and also developed a comfortable relationship with Paymaster Sidney Spark. Trounce's activities at the Dockyard resulted in his best known building, St. Paul's Anglican Church in Esquimalt. Built in 1866, the Gothic-style wooden church is twenty-six by fifty feet in size, with a modest transept, and sixtyfour feet to the top of its steeple. Associated from the beginning with the Royal Navy, the church was built with an Admiralty grant, and located on the rocky shoreline just outside the gates of the Dockyard; by 1904, the church was moved to a new site away from the potential damage of gunnery practice and storms. Trounce designed other churches including an extension to First Methodist Church in Victoria in 1872, and in 1874 a "Church and Day School for the use of the Indians" on Herald Street in Victoria. In 1867 he was awarded the contract to build the sandstone Holy Trinity Church in New Westminster, designed by H.O. Tiedemann, and opened for services the following year.

# 2.4 DUCK'S CARRIAGE FACTORY

In 1874, Simeon Duck, whose carriage business was now flourishing, commissioned a stone carriage factory facing Johnson Street. The alley to the west became known as "Duck's Alley."



1878 Bird-Eye View of Victoria; Duck's Carriage Factory in centre.

### Duck's Carriage Factory:

The handsome stone building on Johnson street, just erected by S. Duck, Esq., M.P.P., is the most complete structure of its kind in the Province. It is two stories in height, is substantially built of rough stone with cut stone facings. The interior is divided into show-room, wheelwright shop and smithy on the first floor, and a decorating room on the second floor, with a carriageway leading from the vard. On the west side runs a spacious alley-way through which communication is had with the smithy and rear portion of the building. The structure is massive and handsome, the front elevation imposing, the whole arrangement being highly creditable to Mr. Trounce, the architect, the builders and the owner.

*Victoria Daily Colonist,* September 9, 1874, page 3.

In 1879, Duck commissioned a separate brick building to the west, which was variously referred to as the Duck's Carriage Factory.

**Brick Block:** Plans are being prepared for a block of brick buildings on Johnson and Broad streets for Mr. Duck. Victoria Daily Colonist, December 5, 1879, page 3.

**Brick Stores:** Mr. Teague advertises for tenders for the erection of a 2-storey brick block containing three stores for Mr. Simeon Duck, on the S.W. corner of Johnson and Broad streets. A great many other improvements of a solid character are in contemplation, and there is every prospect o a firm revival in the building trade as well as in general business. Victoria Daily Colonist, January 1, 1880, page 3.

In 1884, the Carriage Factory was altered with a new front, and rented for commercial purposes.

**Building Notes:** The large stone building belonging to Mr. Duck M.P.P. on Johnson street is to undergo extensive alterations under the hands of Mr. Teague, architect. The stone front will be taken out and the ground floor transformed into two stores, and there will be an entrance to other offices which will occupy the second floor.

Victoria Daily Colonist, June 10, 1884, page 3:

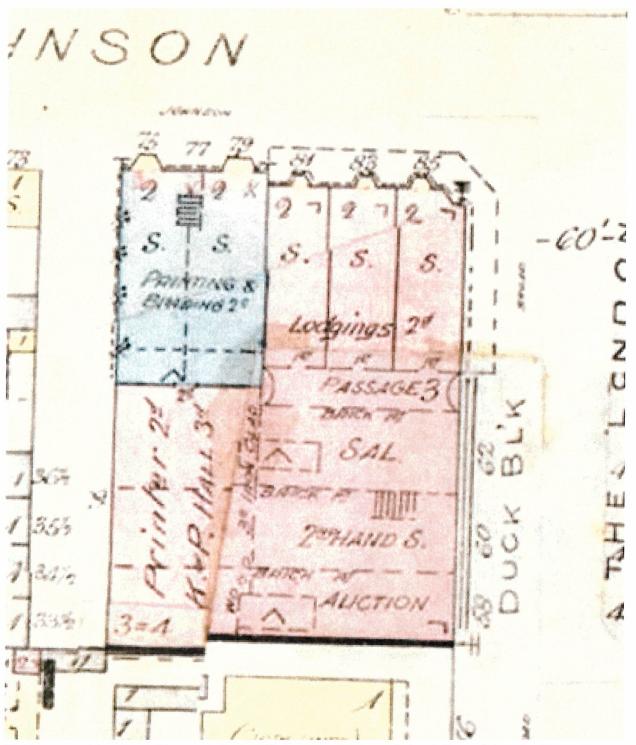
*Improvements:* Every day new h[illegible] are going up or alterations on old [illegible] may be seen in all directions. On Johnson Street Mr. S. Duck has had the front of his building torn down. It will be replaced by a lighter and ha[illegible] one giving a good appearance to the [illegible]. The first floor is to be used for [illegible] Mr. Aaronson will occupy one of the front stores and Mr. Miller the other. Mr. J. Morley will continue to use the back part of the building for his blacksmith shop, in which business is still being carried on, as the alterations in the front will not interfere with his work.

Victoria Daily Colonist, August 2, 1884, page 3.

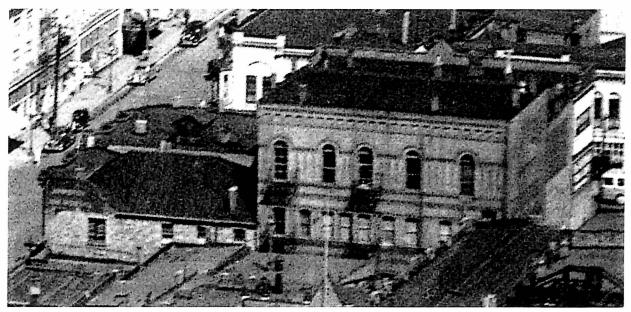


Johnson Street, 1877. First Duck's Carriage Factory, with chimneys and arcade, can be seen at centre; the two westernmost bays can be seen to be different in appearance. [City of Victoria Archives M06538]

# 2.0 HISTORIC CONTEXT



Fire Insurance Map, 1903. The stone Carriage Factory remains intact behind the brick facade.



Victoria 1947 BO-47-1455 detail showing alley elevation. Note that the hipped roof of the Carriage Factory is still visible. It was later raised and flattened to match the roofline of the First Duck's Carriage Factory, and the stone wall extended upward in brick.

The storefronts house a wide variety of commercial tenants over the years. One of the more unusual tenants of the block, located at 79 (later 621) Johnson Street was H. Stadthagen Indian Trader, where collectors could buy not only trinkets and baskets but also large totem poles. Stadthagen's was the source of many items that ended up in major collections around the world. By 1912 it was C. Thaxton Indian Curios.

In 1892, Duck built the Duck's Building, a large three-storey building facing Broad Street. The upper floors house the Knights of Pythias in a topfloor hall, a brothel, and the Canada Hotel Bar and Grill – which also over time expanded to the First Duck's Carriage Factory. As Duck owned all these properties, their uses changed over time, and they were sometimes joined in various configurations at the upper levels. The Canada Hotel, which was sometimes addressed on Johnson Street and sometimes on Broad Street, offered a large saloon, and a café, as well as recreation options such as billiards and snooker and later a gymnasium. In 1917, when Prohibition became law, the bar at the Canada Hotel remained open, legally selling near beer with a low percentage of alcohol; it appears that stashes of whiskey were also available.

# 3.0 STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

## THE Duck's Carriage Factory 1324 BROAD STREET, VICTORIA, BC

### **REVISED FEBRUARY 2018**

### **Description of the Historic Place**

The Duck's Carriage Factory is represented by a surviving two storey high, rubble masonry wall with random window openings, facing Duck's Alley, which runs south of Johnson Street between Broad and Government Streets in Victoria's Old Town District.

## Heritage Value of the Historic Place

The west wall of the Duck's Carriage Factory is a valuable surviving masonry feature that dates from the early development of Victoria. A few older masonry structures survive on the waterfront, notably the Caire & Grancini and Fraser Warehouses on Wharf Street, the warehouses on Fort Street, and Congregation Emanuel-El on Blanshard Street, but many of the downtown commercial buildings built prior to British Columbia joining Confederation in 1871 were constructed in wood. The construction of a number of new federal buildings, such as the Custom House on Wharf Street, set a new standard for the growing city. When Simeon Duck commissioned a new building for his expanding carriage manufacturing business, he hired Thomas Trounce to design and build a substantial, two-storey fireproof structure.

Although the original 1874 building has lost its original facade, this surviving masonry wall is a valuable representation of construction techniques in the early city. Furthermore, the development of the later First Duck's Carriage Factory to the east and the adjacent 1892 Duck's Building to the south, all constructed for local entrepreneur and politician Simeon Duck, represents patterns of real estate speculation and development which occurred in Victoria in the late nineteenth century, which ebbed and flowed with economy. The Carriage Factory is also valued as a demonstration of Duck's entrepreneurial activities, who purchased two adjacent lots in the 1860s and developed them over time to house a variety of businesses, including manufacturing, industry, commercial and lodgings.

### **Character-Defining Elements**

The heritage character-defining elements of the Duck's Carriage Factory include its:

- location facing Duck's Alley, which runs south of Johnson Street between Broad and Government Streets in Victoria's Old Town District;
- rubble stone construction, with random window openings with massive stone sills and lintels;
- multipaned, double-hung wooden sash windows; and
- its contiguous relationship with the 1892 Duck's Building to the south.

## Additional Standards relating to Rehabilitation

- 10. Repair rather than replace character-defining elements. Where character-defining elements are too severely deteriorated to repair, and where sufficient physical evidence exists, replace them with new elements that match the forms, materials and detailing of sound versions of the same elements. Where there is insufficient physical evidence, make the form, material and detailing of the new elements compatible with the character of the historic place.
- 11. Conserve the heritage value and characterdefining elements when creating any new additions to a historic place and any related new construction. Make the new work physically and visually compatible with, subordinate to and distinguishable from the historic place.
- 12. Create any new additions or related new construction so that the essential form and integrity of a historic place will not be impaired if the new work is removed in the future.

### Additional Standards relating to Restoration

- 13. Repair rather than replace character-defining elements from the restoration period. Where character-defining elements are too severely deteriorated to repair and where sufficient physical evidence exists, replace them with new elements that match the forms, materials and detailing of sound versions of the same elements.
- 14. Replace missing features from the restoration period with new features whose forms, materials and detailing are based on sufficient physical, documentary and/or oral evidence.

# 4.2 CONSERVATION REFERENCES

The proposed work entails the rehabilitation of the rear stone wall of the Duck's Carriage Factory. The following conservation resources should be referred to:

Standards and Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada, Parks Canada, 2010. <u>http://www.historicplaces.ca/en/pages/standards-normes/document.aspx</u>

# 4.3 GENERAL CONSERVATION STRATEGY

The primary intent is to demolish the main structure of the building and retain and rehabilitate the original rear stone wall as part of the overall site redevelopment scheme. New window assemblies will be installed within original openings of the rubble wall and will reference original assemblies.

#### **Proposed Redevelopment Scheme**

The development scheme for this property has been prepared de Hoog & Kierulf Architects, and includes aspects of rehabilitation, restoration, and preservation.

The major proposed interventions of the overall project are to:

- Demolish the main building structure to accommodate proposed new development;
- retain rear original stone wall; and
- rehabilitate stone wall to be integrated into new proposed development.

## **4.4 SITE PROTECTION & STABILIZATION**

The stone wall should be protected from movement and other damage at all times during demolition, excavation and construction work. Install monitoring devices to document and assess cracks and possible settlement of the masonry wall.

# **5.2 EXTERIOR WALLS**

The original stone rear wall remains extant and features original rubble stone construction with random window openings and massive stone sills and lintels. While the main structure of the building is to be demolished as part of the redevelopment scheme, the original stone wall will be retained and rehabilitated.

Further investigation is required to determine any other possible remaining original materials or features during demolition. Original material to be retained and rehabilitated, as possible.

## **Conservation Strategy: Rehabilitation**

- Preserve the character-defining rubble stone wall.
- Surviving sills and lintels require investigation to determine extent of structural integrity. Repair as required.
- Undertake complete condition survey of condition of all stone surfaces.
- Cleaning, repair and repointing specifications to be reviewed by Heritage Consultant.
- All redundant metal inserts and services mounted on the exterior walls should be removed or reconfigured.

- Overall cleaning of the stone on the exterior rear elevation should be carried out. Do not use any abrasive methods that may damage the surfaces. Use a soft natural bristle brush and mild water rinse. Only approved chemical restoration cleaners may be used. Sandblasting or any other abrasive cleaning method of any kind is not permitted.
- Repoint as necessary by raking out loose mortar material to a uniform depth. Work should only be undertaken by skilled masons. Do not use power tools to cut or grind joints; hand-held grinders may be used for the initial raking of horizontal joints after test samples have been undertaken and only if approved by the Heritage Consultant. Repoint mortar joints with new mortar that matches existing in consistency, composition, strength, colour and pointing profile; note the finely tooled profile of the original mortar joints.
- Following demolition of surrounding structure, the top of the stone wall will require stabilization and flashing. Careful attention should be paid at interface of original and new material. Protect rehabilitated wall from the elements and stabilize wall as required during demolition phase.



# 6.0 MAINTENANCE PLAN

A Maintenance Plan should be adopted by the property owner, who is responsible for the longterm protection of the heritage features of the Duck's Carriage Factory. The Maintenance Plan should include provisions for:

- Copies of the Maintenance Plan and this Conservation Report to be incorporated into the terms of reference for the management and maintenance contract for the building;
- Cyclical maintenance procedures to be adopted as outlined below;
- Record drawings and photos of the building to be kept by the management / maintenance contractor; and
- Records of all maintenance procedures to be kept by the owner.

A thorough maintenance plan will ensure the integrity of the Duck's Carriage Factory is preserved. If existing materials are regularly maintained and deterioration is significantly reduced or prevented, the integrity of materials and workmanship of the building will be protected. Proper maintenance is the most cost effective method of extending the life of a building, and preserving its character-defining elements. The survival of historic buildings in good condition is primarily due to regular upkeep and the preservation of historic materials.

# **6.1 MAINTENANCE GUIDELINES**

A maintenance schedule should be formulated that adheres to the *Standards & Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada*. As defined by the *Standards & Guidelines*, maintenance is defined as:

Routine, cyclical, non-destructive actions necessary to slow the deterioration of a historic place. It entails periodic inspection; routine, cyclical, nondestructive cleaning; minor repair and refinishing operations; replacement of damaged or deteriorated materials that are impractical to save. The assumption that newly renovated buildings become immune to deterioration and require less maintenance is a falsehood. Rather, newly renovated buildings require heightened vigilance to spot errors in construction where previous problems had not occurred, and where deterioration may gain a foothold.

Routine maintenance keeps water out of the building, which is the single most damaging element to a heritage building. Maintenance also prevents damage by sun, wind, snow, frost and all weather; prevents damage by insects and vermin; and aids in protecting all parts of the building against deterioration. The effort and expense expended on an aggressive maintenance will not only lead to a higher degree of preservation, but also over time potentially save large amount of money otherwise required for later repairs.

# 6.2 PERMITTING

Repair activities, such as simple in-kind repair of materials, or repainting in the same colour, should be exempt from requiring city permits. Other more intensive activities will require the issuance of a Heritage Alteration Permit.

# 6.3 ROUTINE, CYCLICAL AND NON-DESTRUCTIVE CLEANING

Following the Standards & Guidelines for the Conservation of Historic Places in Canada, be mindful of the principle that recommends "using the gentlest means possible". Any cleaning procedures should be undertaken on a routine basis and should be undertaken with non-destructive methods. Cleaning should be limited to the exterior material such as concrete and stucco wall surfaces and wood elements such as storefront frames. All of these elements are usually easily cleaned, simply with a soft, natural bristle brush, without water, to remove dirt and other material. If a more intensive cleaning is required, this can be accomplished with warm water, mild detergent and a soft bristle brush. High-pressure washing, sandblasting or other abrasive cleaning should not be undertaken under any circumstances.

Routine maintenance work should be noted in the maintenance log to keep track of past and plan future activities. All items noted on the maintenance log should indicate the date, problem, type of repair, location and all other observations and information pertaining to each specific maintenance activity.

Each log should include the full list of recommended maintenance and inspection areas noted in this Maintenance Plan, to ensure a record of all activities is maintained. A full record of these activities will help in planning future repairs and provide valuable building information for all parties involved in the overall maintenance and operation of the building, and will provide essential information for long term programming and determining of future budgets. It will also serve as a reminded to amend the maintenance and inspection activities should new issues be discovered or previous recommendations prove inaccurate.

The log book will also indicate unexpectedly repeated repairs, which may help in solving more serious problems that may arise in the historic building. The log book is a living document that will require constant adding to, and should be kept in the information file along with other documentation noted in section **6.6** Information File.

# **6.7 EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE**

Water, in all its forms and sources (rain, snow, frost, rising ground water, leaking pipes, back-splash, etc.) is the single most damaging element to historic buildings.

The most common place for water to enter a building is through the roof. Keeping roofs repaired or renewed is the most cost-effective maintenance option. Evidence of a small interior leak should be viewed as a warning for a much larger and worrisome water damage problem elsewhere and should be fixed immediately.

## 6.7.1 INSPECTION CHECKLIST

The following checklist considers a wide range of potential problems specific to the rehabilitated and redeveloped Duck's Carriage Factory, such as water/moisture penetration, material deterioration and structural deterioration. This does not include interior inspections.

## **EXTERIOR INSPECTION**

### Site Inspection:

- Is the lot well drained? Is there pooling of water?
- Does water drain away from foundation?

#### Foundation

- □ Does pointing need repair?
- □ Paint peeling? Cracking?
- □ Is bedding mortar sound?
- □ Moisture: Is rising damp present?
- □ Is there back splashing from ground to structure?
- □ Is any moisture problem general or local?
- Is spalling from freezing present? (Flakes or powder?)
- □ Is efflorescence present?
- □ Is spalling from sub-fluorescence present?
- □ Is damp proof course present?
- □ Are there shrinkage cracks in the foundation?
- □ Are there movement cracks in the foundation?
- □ Is crack monitoring required?
- □ Is uneven foundation settlement evident?
- □ Are foundation crawl space vents clear and working, if any?
- Do foundation openings (doors and windows), if any, show: rust; rot; insect attack; paint failure; soil build-up;
- □ Deflection of lintels?

### Masonry

- Are moisture problems present? (Rising damp, rain penetration, condensation, water run-off from roof, sills, or ledges?)
- □ Is spalling from freezing present? Location?
- □ Is efflorescence present? Location?
- □ Is spalling from sub-florescence present? Location?

## 6.7.2 MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME

## **INSPECTION CYCLE:**

### Daily

• Observations noted during cleaning (cracks; damp, dripping pipes; malfunctioning hardware; etc.) to be noted in log book or building file.

#### Semi-annually

- Semi-annual inspection and report with special focus on seasonal issues.
- Thorough cleaning of drainage system to cope with winter rains and summer storms
- Check condition of weather sealants (Fall).
- Clean the exterior using a soft bristle broom/ brush.

## Annually (Spring)

- Inspect concrete for cracks, deterioration.
- Inspect metal elements, especially in areas that may trap water.
- Inspect windows for paint and glazing compound failure, corrosion and wood decay and proper operation.
- Complete annual inspection and report.
- Clean out of all perimeter drains and rainwater systems.
- Touch up worn paint on the building's exterior.
- Check for plant, insect or animal infestation.
- Routine cleaning, as required.

### **Five-Year Cycle**

- A full inspection report should be undertaken every five years comparing records from previous inspections and the original work, particularly monitoring structural movement and durability of utilities.
- Repaint windows every five to fifteen years.

#### Ten-Year Cycle

• Check condition of roof every ten years after last replacement.

## **Twenty-Year Cycle**

• Confirm condition of roof and estimate effective lifespan. Replace when required.

## Major Maintenance Work (as required)

 Thorough repainting, downspout and drain replacement; replacement of deteriorated building materials; etc. • 1869 First Victoria Directory, 3rd Issue, page 25:

Duck & Sandover, carriage builders, Government street, W. side Duck, Simeon (see Duck & Sandover) resid. Herald street

• 1871 First Victoria Directory, 4th Issue, page 11:

Duck & Sandover, carriage builders, Government street, W. side Duck, Simeon (see Duck & Sandover) Duck, E., Herald street

• 1874 First Victoria Directory, 5th Issue, page 10:

Duck, Simeon carriage and wagon builder, M.P.P., Gov't. St.

- 1875 *Cubery's Visitor Guide to Victoria*, page 6; Simeon Duck, carriage and wagon factory, Johnson street
- 1877-78 *Guide to the Province of B.C.*, page 296:

Duck Simeon, carriage manufacturer, &c., Johnson street. Res. Herald street.

1882-1883 British Columbia Directory, page
 37:

Duck Simeon, M.P.P., retired from business, res Herald st bet Government and Douglas

• 1884-1885 British Columbia Directory, page 34:

Duck Simeon, M.P.P., retired from business, res. Herald st. bet. Government and Douglas

- 1887 British Columbia Directory, page 31: Duck Hon. Simeon, retired, res. Herald st. near Douglas st.
- 1888 British Columbia Directory, page 98: Duck Simeon, M.P.P., city treasurer, 47 Herald Duck, William, law student (S P Mills) 47 Herald
- 1889 Henderson's British Columbia Gazetteer & Directory, page 452: Duck Simeon, M.P.P., city assessor and collector, res 47 Herald
- 1892 Williams Illustrated Official BC Directory, page 213: Broad Street: 54 Stable Broad Street: 58-62 [blank]

- 1894 Williams Official BC Directory, page 389: Broad Street: 54 Van Volkenburgh's stables Broad Street: 58: Furnival, Wm Broad Street: 58: Brooks, Wm Broad Street: 62 Duck blk Broad Street: 62 Ewart, A C Broad Street: 62 Brown, M C billiard parlour Broad Street: 62 Central Presbyterian church
- 1895 Williams Official BC Directory, page 280: Broad Street: 54: Stables
   Broad Street: 56: Baker, Miss B
   Broad Street: 58: Vacant
   Broad Street: 60: Vacant
   Broad Street: 62: Knights of Pythias
   Broad Street: 64: Carter House Saloon
- 1897 Henderson's BC Gazetteer & Directory, page 747: Duck Block, cor Johnson and Broad Duck, Simeon, second-hand furniture, 58 Broad, h 47 Herald
- 1898 Henderson's BC Gazetteer & Directory, page 651: Broad Street: 56: Baker, Bertha. Broad Street: 58: Duck & Co., S., furniture.

Broad Street: 60: Painter, Nathan, 2nd-hand goods.

Broad Street: 62: Ashton, Vera, lodging house. Broad Street: 62: Trilby Music Hall

- 1898 *British Columbia Directory*, page 674: Duck Block, cor Johnson and Broad. Duck, Simeon, second-hand furniture, 58 Broad, h 47 Herald.
- 1899 Williams Official BC Directory, page 491: Broad Street: 56: Miss Bertha Baker. Broad Street: 58: Duck & Co. Broad Street: 60: Pointer, N. Broad Street: 62: Ashton, Miss Vera. Broad Street: 62 1/2: Trilby Music Hall.
- 1899-1900 Henderson's BC Gazetteer & Directory, page 787: Broad Street: 56: Ward, Gladdas. Broad Street: 58: Duck & Co., S., furniture. Broad Street: 60: Pointer, Nathan, second-hand goods. Broad Street: 62: Ashton, Vera. Broad Street: 62: Trilby Music Hall.

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