



SMITHS FALLS

RISE AT THE FALLS

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest for 30 Chambers Street

Description of Property

The property at 30 Chambers Street is located in the Town of Smiths Falls, on the north side of Chambers Street, between Market Street South and Bay Street South. The property contains a two-storey residential structure. The structure was likely constructed between the late 1820s and early 1830s as the shop and residence of Alexander Williamson, a tailor.

Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The property has physical/design value as a rare and early example of an early 19th century vernacular stone building in the Town of Smiths Falls. Stone was a common construction material in the early 19th century in Smiths Falls given its local availability but was increasingly replaced by brick and other materials throughout the 19th century. Few local examples of early 19th century stone residential buildings remain in the Town. It is one of the earliest surviving stone buildings in Smiths Falls.

The property has contextual value through its historical connection to the neighbouring property at 11 Market Street South. Throughout the late 19th and early 20th century, both property at 11 Market Street South and 30 Chambers Street, were owned by the same family, the Edgars of Smiths Falls and Brockville. Both properties were part of the same boarding house operation until the 1940s.

Heritage Attributes

The following heritage attributes reflect the cultural heritage value or interest of the property:

- Overall form and massing of the two-storey structure with a side facing gable roof
- Stone construction
- Stone foundation
- All window and door openings, including transom windows
- Stone quoins, soldier courses, and sills
- Stone bookend chimneys on east and west facades