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# ROYAL HOTEL, TARRAVILLE

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## Location

REEVE STREET (OLD SALE ROAD), TARRAVILLE , WELLINGTON SHIRE

## Municipality

WELLINGTON SHIRE

## Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

## Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H8220-0012

## Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

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## Statement of Significance

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Significant remains of one of the early pre-1850's buildings in Tarraville and one of the earliest Hotels in Gippsland.

### Interpretation of Site

The remains are on the location known to be that of the Royal Hotel. The handmade bricks are consistent with the Hotel's period of construction. Landowner Wayne Caldwell's research indicates that there were several associated buildings at the hotel, and this is supported both by a contemporary sketch (see pg. 36 of Adams) and the distribution of site features. Part of the brick scatter, however is the byproduct of the clearing of vegetation in the 1990's.

### Hermes Number

14072

### Property Number

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## History

The Hotel was in use by 1846 but was probably founded in 1844, though the earliest record of a licence appears to be 1846. It remained in use as a pub until the 1890's and remained standing well into the 20th Century. It was one of the earliest pubs in Gippsland. It seems likely to have featured several phases of construction, though the chronology of these phases is currently unknown. The builder and first licensee, James Neilson arrived in Gippsland in 1841 with Lord Glengarry, and seems to have built a bridge and track behind the hotel to connect the building with his nearby (and still standing) Woodlot Park property across the river.

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