
DALHOUSIE TOWNSHIP PRECINCT

Location

TARADALE-METCALFE ROAD TARADALE, MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

Municipality

MOUNT ALEXANDER SHIRE

Level of significance

Heritage Inventory Site

Heritage Inventory (HI) Number

H7723-0537

Heritage Listing

Victorian Heritage Inventory

Hermes Number 8183

Property Number

History

Heritage Inventory History of Site: This area was first distinguished on a map by Archdale, the Mining Surveyor, dated 29 August 1870. It shows "Hollywell's Paddock" where later cadastral maps (1876) identified S.O.Holywell as the landowner. W. Bone owned the land to the north of "Hollywell's Paddock". Both of these areas are north of the present Taradale - Metcalfe Road, on the west side of Diss Lane. In 1885 the area south of Hollywell's Paddock was gazetted as a township. W. Todd purchased many of the allotments over several years from 1885. The house at the end of Diss Road, which is still inhabited, was lived in by Frederick Diss, miner, in 1868. The rates books of the Borough of Taradale identified the house as "House, Holywell's, Diss Lane." Frederick's father arrived in 1855 and was employed by the government surveyor, William Urquhart. Frederick lived in the family home and married in 1876. The house passed to his son Thomas who lived there at least to the 1930s. To the north-west of this house is a levelled area, which indicates a house site. There are scattered bricks and the possible traces of foundations and remnants of a garden. This site is located on land originally purchased by W.

Bone, and may date to the 1870s. In the south-west corner of the township area, just to the north-west of Todd's Bridge, was allotment 9v, purchased in 1885 (?) by Ann Todd. A hotel, known as Todd's Hotel, or the Coliban Hotel, was located on this allotment (Maltby 1989: 28). Stone and brick foundations and two large oak trees mark the site.

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