

GAWLER CHAMBERS

188 North Terrace



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This building is of immense historical significance because of its long term association with the South Australia Company. It was built as head office for the Company in 1913 on the same site as the Company's earlier South Australian headquarters. This Company played a major role in the foundation of the

colony, and that of many industries and enterprises from whaling to banking and pastoral enterprises. This building is one of few surviving tangible reminders of the influence of this Company.

The architectural importance of this structure is small in comparison with many other structures along this part of North Terrace. Its historical significance is complemented by some aspects of Art Nouveau, quality brickwork and cement dressings, characteristic of buildings of the Federation period. The facade of the building is notable for its functional design which is emphasised by the crispness of elements, and the unusual crowning cornice.

The environmental significance of this building is high. It is an important element in one of the most distinctive streetscapes of Adelaide. It is prominently sited on the corner of Gawler Place and complements the scale and character of nearby buildings on North Terrace.

The integrity of the building is high, though that of the external appearance has been compromised by the removal of balconies and the filling in of some of these openings; an additional storey was added in 1935.



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Donovan, Marsden, Stark, *City of Adelaide Heritage Survey*, 1981

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The heritage related Principles of Development Control as well as the Precinct specific objectives and Principles of Development Control are contained in the Adelaide (City) Development Plan. These should be referred to in whole when contemplating any development.

Further information on the Heritage Incentives Scheme, an initiative of Council to sponsor timely and appropriate conservation action is available upon request of the Customer Service Centre.

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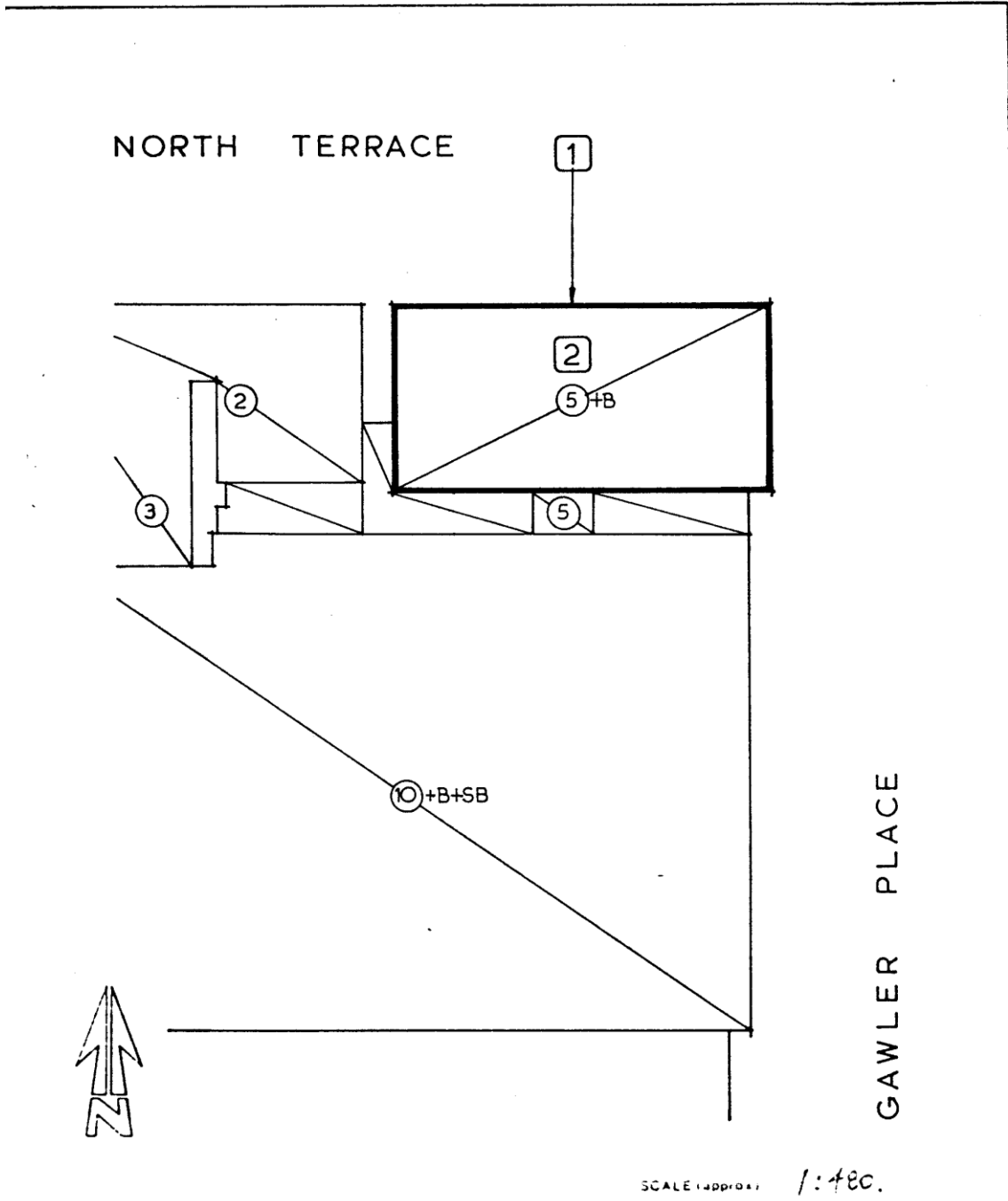


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1. Main body of building.
2. Interior generally comprised of small cellular offices with large east-west corridors.

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