

ST MARGARET'S HOUSE AND COACH HOUSE

21-25 Brougham Place



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St Margaret's demonstrates the attraction of the 'well-to-do' to Park Lands frontages. It is an important example in the city of the few high quality houses erected when South Australia was entering the depression of the 1890s. Beside the main house there is a former coach house and an impressive paved forecourt off Ward Street.

The complex retains an integrity now rarely found.

The complex was erected in 1889-90 for the financier and developer Arthur Waterhouse. Additions to St Margaret's were carried out in 1899. Arthur Waterhouse, as a notable financier, was involved in many of Adelaide's commercial ventures, among them the rebuilding of the Majestic Theatre (now demolished) and a number of hotels including the General Gordon (now the Griffins Head in Hindmarsh Square).

The buildings are well constructed of Tapley Hill bluestone contrasted with high quality brick dressings. The 'squaring up' of bluestone to form the quoins, is particularly notable. The architect was probably George Klewitz Soward who designed a theatre and carried out hotel alterations



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for Waterhouse. Typically Soward designed in the Gothic manner, St Margaret's displays elements of the Gothic style, particularly in the interior and stairwell.

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The main house is prominent and impressively sited, a dominant element of the Brougham Place ridge and one which complements the group of buildings to the west, forming Lincoln College. It maintains the two storey residential scale of the area and, due to its corner site and largely original condition, is of great importance to this area of special character. The associated coach house and walling make a significant contribution to the character of Ward Street, while the elevation to Margaret Street is especially attractive.

ACA, Assessments, *Digest of Proceedings* 1888-90; Loyau, G.E., *Notable South Australians*, 1885, p. 129; MLSA, Davies biographical cuttings 23/97, Historical photographs (Town Acre 735).

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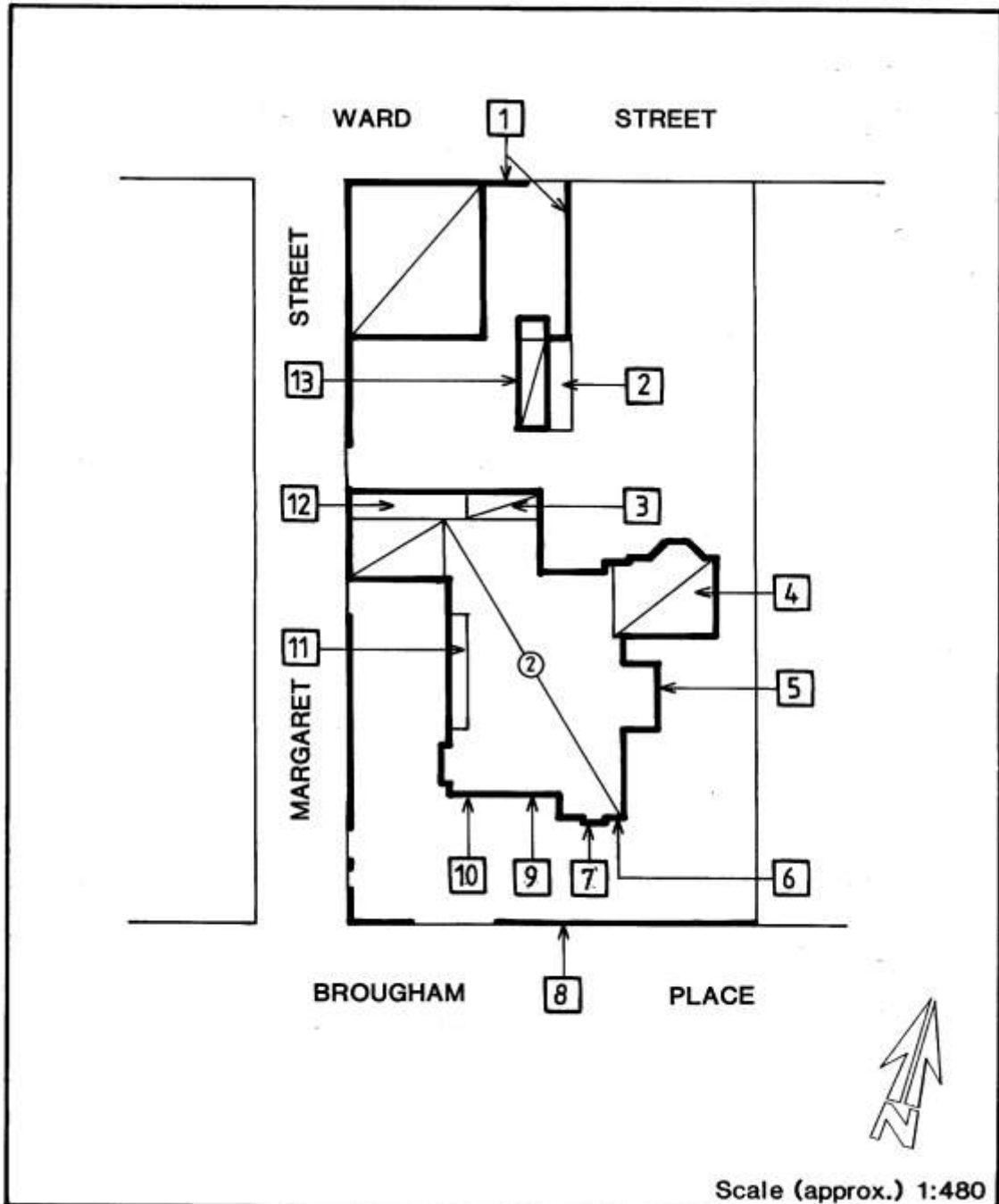


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NOTES:

1. Coursed, squared bluestone with brick detailing.
2. Timber addition.
3. Timber verandah.
4. Brick (English Bond) addition.
5. Half timbered, coarsely rendered facade.
6. Coursed squared bluestone with brick quoins and detailing.
7. Oriel window.
8. Bluestone and brick wall.
9. Note: Elaborate brick entry.
10. Note: Moulded brick string courses and hooded moulding.
11. Note: Timber joinery on verandah/balcony.
12. Verandah enclosed.
13. Brick (Flemish Bond).