

RYMILL HOUSE AND COACH HOUSE

91-100 East Terrace and 22 Hutt Street

Quiz stated on 27 November 1901 that:

One of the wealthiest business firms in Adelaide is that of Messrs. H. & F. Rymill, land and estate agents. The two partners are reported to be worth a quarter of a million each. Mr Henry Rymill lives at the corner of Flinders and Hutt Streets and the furnishings of his home are magnificent . . . Although very wealthy neither men are conspicuous on charity lists. Both move in Adelaide's most exclusive society.

Henry and Frank Rymill bought this Town Acre 220 in transactions in 1859 and 1861. By March 1860 a cottage for the Messrs Rymill had been designed by G.S. Kingston; nothing appears to remain except the boundary walls. Henry bought Frank's share and later had the cottage replaced by the present building (once known as The Firs) which was designed by John Haslam and built by William Rogers. The *South Australian Register* of 10 December 1884 described the new family residence as:

. . . one of the best houses in the City, both from its admirably arranged plan and the effective character of the whole four elevations which are carried out in brown stone with Sydney stone and cement dressings in the Queen Anne style.



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The windows were fitted with sliding shutters, and the top sashes were stained glass. Over the main entrance, there is stained glass representing the four seasons of the year.

The scientific and hygienic interests of the period were displayed in the sanitary and plumbing arrangements. There was also much consideration given to the latest ideas in ventilation.

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Henry Rymill died in 1927 but the family owned the house until 1950. It was then acquired as a training centre by the Post Master General and so used until 1982. Although the grounds are in a poor state and the building has suffered from subsidence, it is a very prominent part of East Terrace and one of the most gracious of the residences which once characterised the south-east corner of the city. These qualities are enhanced by its generous siting on land in excess of one town acre.

The detailing of both the house and coach house is consistent and of a high order. The masonry is of squared, random coursed sandstone with stuccoed dressings. The internal detailing of the house includes elaborate elements such as chimney-pieces, stair hall and stained-glass. The architectural impact of the unusually prominent four main elevations remains of a high order with little or no counterpart in the city.



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Morgan, E.J.R., & Gilbert, S.H., *Early Adelaide architecture 1836 to 1886*, 1969, p. 41; *Quiz*, 27 November 1901; *South Australian Register*, 10 December 1884.

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The property described in this Information Sheet is included in the Register of State Heritage places.

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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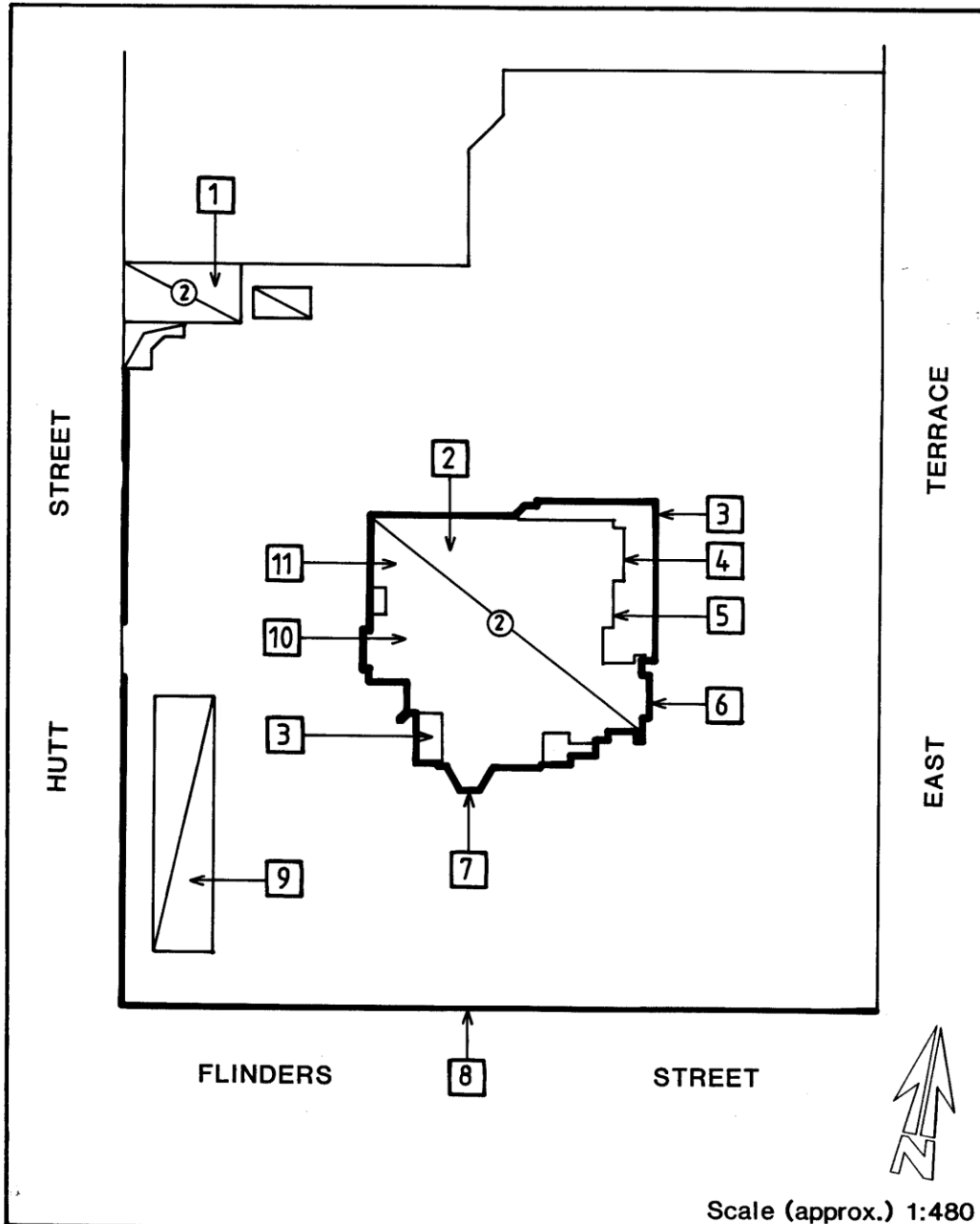


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NOTES:

1. Coach-house included on separate curtilage plan.
2. Cellar.
3. Note: Columns and arches at ground and first floor levels; pilasters and parapet at first floor level.
4. First floor bay window.
5. Note: Leadlight, etched and painted glass.
6. Hammered squared sandstone with extensive stucco enrichment.
7. Bay windows at both levels.
8. Coursed random bluestone fence with brick coping.
9. Iron shed.
10. Internally intact.
11. Note: Chimneys.



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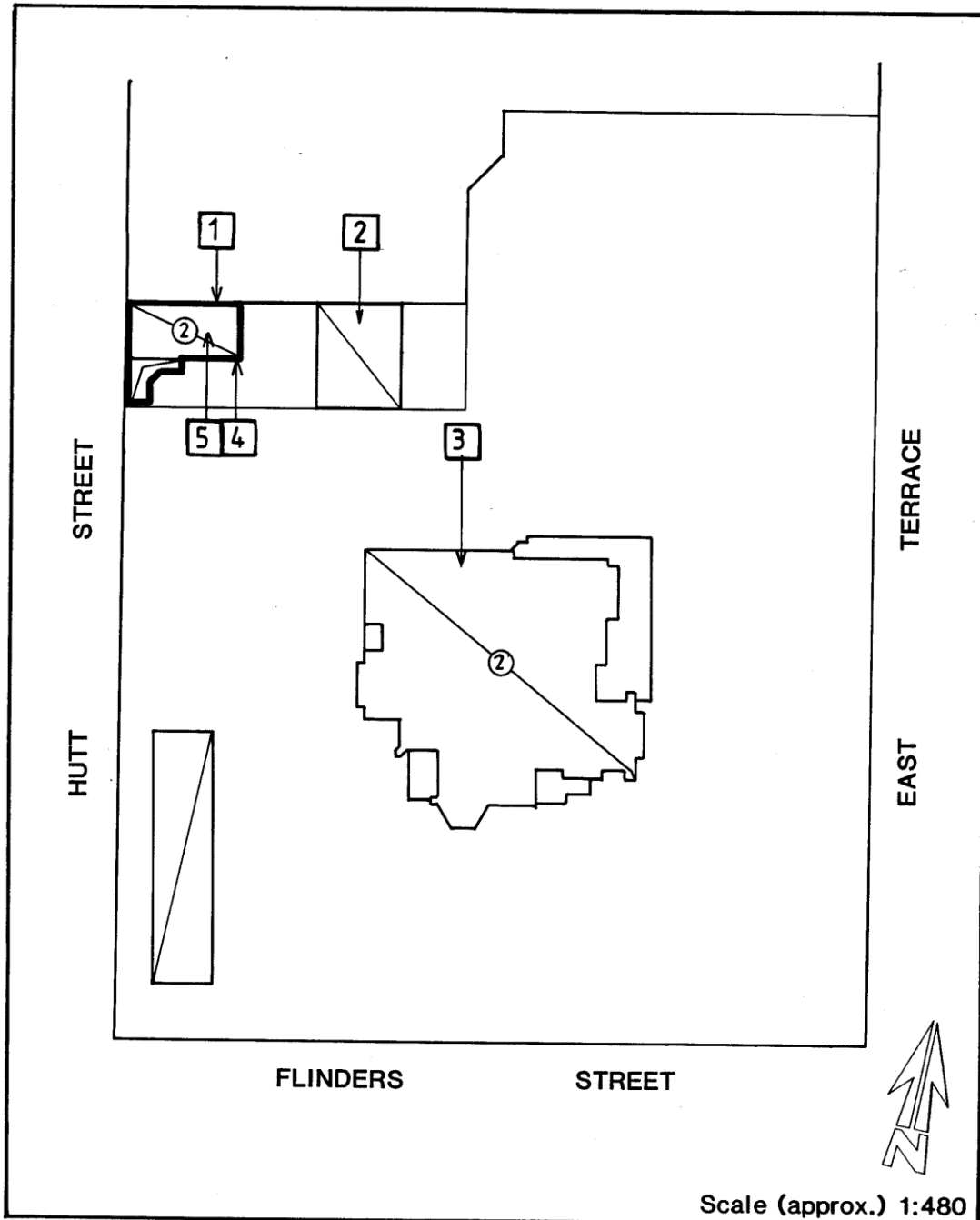


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NOTES:

1. Hammered squared sandstone with stucco enrichment.
2. New offices.
3. Note Rymill House also listed.
4. Garage door (alteration).
5. Slate roof.