

St. Thomas Heritage Walking Tour: **Talbot Street**



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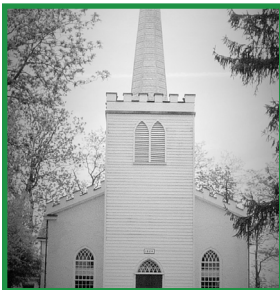
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Encourages good stewardship and conservation; and
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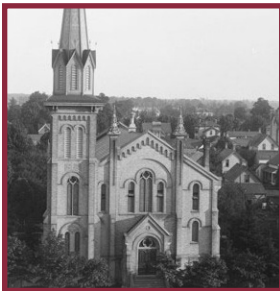
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Chair's Message

Dear Readers:

Municipal means 'relating to a city or its governing body ' and Heritage means 'a special or individual possession'. It follows logically that St. Thomas has many of these possessions that link us to our own history. They tell a rich story about our past and this story is full of those special or individual possessions that make St. Thomas unique.

As proud citizens (#stthomasproud) we should all take time to appreciate these many and varied structures. It is incumbent on us collectively or as individuals to protect and conserve these unique features that make us proud to be citizens of St. Thomas.

Sincerely,

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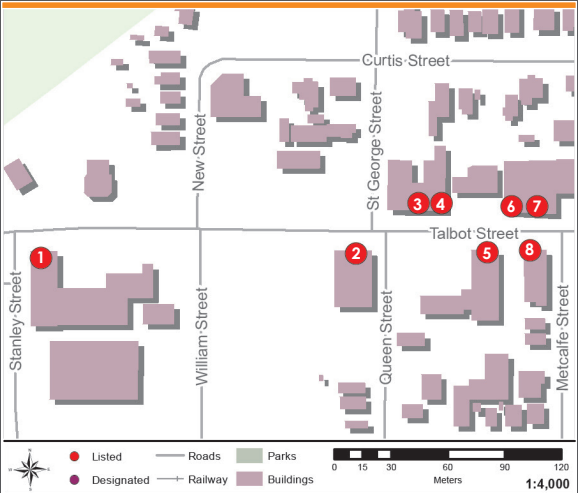
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1 180 Talbot Street



Built in 1913, was formally the Wright Shoe Company, Weatherhead Canada, Jones Box and Label, Vick's Chemicals, Essex Wire, CanUSA Auto Parts, Guild House Gallery and Victoria Building Apartments.

2 244-248 Talbot Street



Built in 1880, was formally Archibald Steward Grocery, James Land Implements, Pringle's Jewelers and Clarks, Charles Ead Grocery and Massey Harris.

3 247-251 Talbot Street



Built in 1871-1874, first two bays by Joseph McAdams, second half by John McLean. There is strong street presence, 2nd floor slender arched windows and the site of renowned historical and art societies. Companies included: McAdams Grocers, Manual Training Public School, Griffin Dry Goods, Stephen Corbett Boots, Locke and McLachlin Auctioneers, John McLean Barrister.



4 257-259 Talbot Street

Built in 1880, was formally Thomas Hutchinson Undertakers, Hutchinson, Soper and Goodwin Cabinets, Albert Patrick Flour & Feed.

5 268-274 Talbot Street

Built in 1880, was originally Bond's Hotel.

6 275 Talbot Street

Built in 1880, was W.E. Ross Grocers and Richard Milley Secondhand.

7 277-283 Talbot Street

Built in 1879 by Drs. Duncan and Colin McLarty, has a strong Scot baronial influence of architecture and includes Mason's insignia on the third floor. Housed Maggie Bateman Dressmaker, Daniel Ferguson Boots, Hipinstall Jewelers, Masonic Hall, Fraser Bakery, JJ. Hopkins Photography, and many more organizations.

8 284-288 Talbot Street

Built in 1880, was Roadnight's Hotel and Hotel Albany.

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291-295 Talbot Street

Built in 1870 for Dr. E.W. Gustin, country coroner, for his residence. Last remaining Victorian residence on west end of Talbot Street. His office was added later in 1920.

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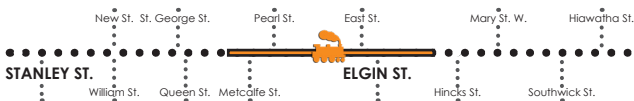
301 Talbot Street

Built in 1878 as an Imperial Bank. The vault is still in place, but the upper stories of the building are removed, and the original facade is drastically altered.

11

305-309 Talbot Street

Built in 1870 by H. Lindop, originally named the Hay/Turner Block for Thomas Hay and G.S. Turner, Turner and Hay's Bakery.



12 311-321 Talbot Street

Built as an extension of the Hay/Turner Block. Built by H. Lindop.

13 341-347 Talbot Street

Built in 1885, this strip of buildings was home to Brodrick dry goods, Pentecostal Assembly hall, Real estate firms and other various companies. Its current land use is loft apartments.

14 349-353 Talbot Street

Built from 1880 to 1885, this building was the home of Mrs. James McCrone Dressmakers, Miss McAlpine Dressmakers, H.H. Way Dentist, FT. Chapman Books and Binder and Shaw's Fancy Good and Variety. Notably, its neighbour was McLanlin's Books (owner of the weekly home journal).

15 344-360 Talbot Street

Built in 1891, was Provincial Provident Institute, George T. Claris Brokers and The Municipal World. 360 Talbot Street was built in 1905 and included Misses Crandell Dressmakers, Robert Housley Broker and Andrew Clarke Real Estate.

16 364-370 Talbot Street

This corner was built from 1883 to 1905, and was the home of Pinecombe Butcher Shop with the brothers residency up top. It later expanded into Real Estate as well. Located next door was the Carriage Trimming Shop, Wagon Shop and Blacksmith, William Copeman Carriages, London Free Press and Huron and Erie Loans. Lastly, the corner expanded one last time in 1905 to accommodate Youman's Insurances and Isaac Cassis Fruits.

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17 361 Talbot Street

Built in 1885, was Bond's Confections, Ayesrts & Newton Bakery, Wm. Vair Confections, T.L. Short Confections, Graham's Confections, Dexter Cafe, New York Cafe and Simpson-Sears order office in 1965.



18 367 Talbot Street

Built in 1915 as Royal Bank, upper floor tenants included G.B. Coyne Barrister, M.D. McCrimmon Barrister, R.B. Shenefett Osteopath, Dept. of Agriculture, Provincial Police of Ontario, Southwold Township Treasurer.



19 373 Talbot Street

Built in 1885, was part of Aberdeen Block, housed numerous grocery shops, notions stores, furniture shops and clothing shops until 1950s. Times Journal Advertisement Department in 1950 and Manx Arms in 1985



20 377 Talbot Street

Built in 1893, was Flach Jewellery 1950 and Ostrander Jewellers from 1950s to 1985.

21 379 Talbot Street

Built in 1893, was Johnston's Cafe, Flach and Sons Drugs, F.W. Judd Drugstore, D.S. Wells Woolens, Housley Grocer, Simpson Sears Order office, Don Sandercott Optical and Imperial Optical.

22 381-385 Talbot Street

Built in 1893, was Wm. Collins Cigars, L.E. Smith Cigars, Maxwell Cigars and Tobacco, The Camera Shop, Palmer Music Store, Maxwell Better Housekeeping, Wm. Coulter Insurances (upper), and AOUW Hall (upper).

23 384-386 Talbot Street

384-386 Talbot Street had wide variety of tenants relating to insurance, pensions, real estate, ticket agents, and telegraph office.

24 388 - 390 Talbot Street

388-390 Talbot Street had wide range of tenants including Canadian Pacific, Yarmouth Township Offices, Sons of England Hall, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Ancient Order of Foresters, Divisional Court, Mutual Life Insurance

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25 **387 Talbot Street**

A photograph of the historic building at 387 Talbot Street. It is a three-story brick building with arched windows on the upper floors. A vertical sign on the left side of the building reads 'PEARL'. The ground floor has several storefronts, including one with a 'PEARL' sign and another with a 'CLOTHING' sign. A black car is parked in front of the building.

Built in 1885, was R.D. Kilgour Furniture Makers, Wm. Bell Music Store, Wm. Boughner Gent's Clothing, Mary Feguson Milliner, Maria Wilson Restaurant, Wm. Murch Bookstore, Wm. Smith Art Goods, Albert Patrick Flour & Feed, Wendell Holmes Books, and Heintzman Pianos.

26 **392 Talbot Street**

A photograph of the historic building at 392 Talbot Street. It is a three-story brick building with arched windows. The ground floor has a storefront with a sign that reads 'Le Cafe Siam'. A black car is parked in front of the building.

Built in 1884 for Dr. Luton, Wells Fargo Express, CPR Tickets and Telegraph, Sam Reynolds Printers, Reeks & Co. Grocers, Salvation Army Canteen in 1945.

27 **395 Talbot Street**

A photograph of the historic building at 395 Talbot Street. It is a three-story brick building with arched windows. The ground floor has a storefront with a sign that reads 'Le Cafe Siam'. A black car is parked in front of the building.

Built in 1885. These buildings are an example of the city's largest block of one continuing architectural style on Talbot Street.



28 396 Talbot Street

Built in 1884 for Dr. Luton, Wells Fargo Express, CPR Tickets and Telegraph, Sam Reynolds Printers, Reeks & Co. Grocers, Salvation Army Canteen in 1945.

29 400 Talbot Street

Built in 1900, Baldwin & Robinson Furniture, Adams Furniture, Woodhouse Furniture.

30 408 Talbot Street

Built in 1886, third floor removed, second floor facade altered, Samuel Goodwin Furniture, W.B. Jennings, Kerr & Company Undertakers, Merchants Bank of Canada, Canada Wood Products, Prudential Collection Agency, Bank of Montreal.

31 410 Talbot Street

Anderson's Dept Store (The Anderson Company), remnants of the building date to 1871 as the Haggert Brothers Foundry and Metal Works, Anderson's moved in 1902, building altered and expanded over the years.

32 423-427 Talbot Street

Built in 1903, designed by Neil Darrach, was Joseph Mickleborough Dry Goods, J.H. Gould Dry Goods, The Walkers Store and Marks & Spencer.

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33 429-431½ Talbot Street



429 was built in 1910, was Frederick Sutherland Shoes until 1965, Mugford Shoes from late 1960s to present day. 431 and 431 ½ built in 1900 as Sutherland Printing, was Davis & Co. Provisions, Colin Stewart's Bakery, United Cigar Store and Shaw's Bakery.

34 432-436 Talbot Street



Built in 1894, Jennings original store and residence at this location since 1885, tenants included: McMurtry Hardware, Shriners Club, Harrison & Company Investors, Kelso Gift & Hardware, and Friendly Ice Cream Store.

35 437 Talbot Street



Built in 1900, designed and built by J.Z. Long, was Wlaler Ross Pictures and Wallpaper, Wm. Ross Grocers, A.J. Hockham Boots, Jackson's Ladies Wear and Virginia Dare.



36 439 Talbot Street

Built in 1885, was Balmoral Hotel, Moody & Clark Provisionals, and Hepinstall's Jewellery.

37 440-442 Talbot Street

Built in 1905, heavily renovated in early 1970s. Adjacent properties 446-448 were home to Charlie Wong Chinese Laundry which closed in 1959. In 1967 the properties, along with 450 Talbot, were converted to Hepburn Parkette.

38 445 Talbot Street

Built in 1885. The original owner was Squire Frank Hunt.

39 447-453 Talbot Street

447-449 built in 1882 for Squire Frank Hunt. 451-453 built in 1894 by Dr. Tyrell Duncombe, housed the Duncombe Opera House with seating for 790, later known as Bennett's Vaudeville Theatre, massive fires in 1907 and 1935, remodelled in 1990 to house Canada Manpower. Shops included: Tyrell Duncombe Drugs, James Hales' Butcher Shop, Waddell Brothers groceries, F.W. Woolworth Company in 1915, Strand Bowling and Billiards.

40 452-456 Talbot Street

Built in 1911 as Goodwin furniture, was Dominion Natural Gas, Union Gas, Leon's Furniture and VanPelt's Bookstore.

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41 462 Talbot Street



Built in 1905 as Dominion Bank until mid 2000s, original building had two storeys, was completely rebuilt in 1970.

42 471 Talbot Street



East bay demolished in 1936 to build a Kresges Store.

43 468-470 Talbot Street

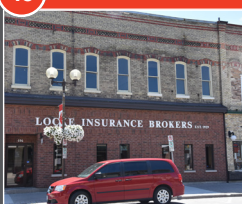


Built in 1903 as Ingram and Davey Hardware, fire in 1936 removed third storey, 1940 became Loblaws Grocery, was also Crescent Finances, Avco Finances, Bell Canada and H&R Block.



44 488 Talbot Street

Built in 1894 to house the Free Library, replacing the Mechanics Institute, also housed: Dr. T.H. Duncombe, Penhale Real Estate, G. Geddes Insurance, various law and financial offices.

45 492-496 Talbot Street

492 Talbot Street was Free Library, P.R. Williams Funderal Directors, James Crawford Cigars, St. Thomas Liberal Club, Young and Morton Insurances, Edith Cavell Hall.

494-496 Talbot Street was Free Library, Logan and Watling Cleaners, L. Parker Barbershop, Ferguson (Fergie's) Barbershop, and Mortin Locke Insurances.

46 483-495 Talbot Street

This was the original site of Adcock Mills, Flour & Feed and Brewsters Fancy Goods. There was two fires 1915 and 1933. 485 Talbot St., second floor home to Hamilton Stott Plumbers, Canadian Legion Hall, Veterans Association, IODE Toron House, P.R. Locke Insurance and Real Estate. 487 second floor, 491-495 Talbot St. was built in 1902 to house Dowler Brothers Clothing Store and Drygoods, It was originally three storeys, with third floor mansard roof. Fire in 1905 removed third floor. 495 Talbot St. was built in 1915. Housed W.E. Maxwell Dry Goods, A&P Food Store, Easton Grocery Store, T. Eaton's Order Office, Reitman's Ladies Wear.

47 499 Talbot Street

Built in 1919 as Joseph McAlpine Piano, home to Dundas Ladies' Wear, Bougher and Son China Hall.

48 502 Talbot Street

Built in 1905 as the rectory for Holy Angels Church. The Adjoining Church (heritage designated) was built in 1911, the third church on the property.

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49 503-505 Talbot Street



Built in 1900 as Everand McCreadie Stables and Carriages. Housed Mason and Risch Pianos, John Ferguson Flowers, Frank Oliver Fruits. Longtime home of Porter & Nelso Jeweller 1920-1946, later to Roberts & Harris Jewellers. Major fire in 1946.

50 509-517 Talbot Street



Built in 1882 by David Rolling, housing David Rolling Baker and David Rolling Architect. Housed R.H. Beattie Bakery, Hammond's Fish Market (1895), Empire Tea Company, James Begg Tea, Coffee Rapid Delivery, Rendezvous Restaurant, The Nuttery, White Palace Cafe, Andy's Snack Bar, Lucky Gardens, My Lady's Hat Shop. Upper tenants included Armitage Billiards (1910), A.A. Johnson Billiards.

51 519-521 Talbot Street



Built in 1906 as P.R. Williams & Sons Undertakers, Gettas' Sweets Restaurant 1935, Yurek Pharmacy 1965.



52 523-525 Talbot Street

Built in 1909 as the Princess Theatre, housed Mrs. Clark's Beauty Shop, Mrs. Keny's Beauty Shop, Sally Shop, Horley's Ladies Wear, Royal Trust, Caldwell Bankers. Fire in 1928.

53 527 Talbot Street

Built in 1910 as Porter & Nelson Jewellers, housed Bair's Confections, Sanders and Holcombe Confections, Anthony's Music Store, Reid's Paint Service and Kid's Cents.

54 529-531 Talbot Street

Built in 1910 as Roberst and Sandham Electrical contractors, housed Frederick Ruston Electrical (1930), Imperial System of Baking (1935-1975), and Elite Fashions.

55 535-539 Talbot Street

533-535 Talbot St. was built in 1900 as Wm. Barrett Barbershop, housed Robbins Cigars & Billiards, continuing as tobacconist and billiards to 1990, On Track offices (1995), and Rogers Cablecast (2000). 537-539 Talbot St. was built in 1895 as Columbia Hotel, housed Columbia Theatre (1920-1960), Clinton's Flower Shop, Columbia Apartments and Castle Hair.


56 538-550 Talbot Street

538 Talbot Street built in 1930 as K. Petrovich Show Repairs, 540 Talbot Street built in 1920, included A.C. Whitlock Electric, Hillman Travel Service, Chamber of Commerce. 542 Talbot Street built in 1920, housed Dr. J.G. Porter, Dr. Max Ryckman, 544 Talbot Street built in 1920 and included a variety of professional offices. Lastly, 546 Talbot Street was built in 1920 as John Holmes Restaurant, 550 Talbot Street built in 1905 to Dr. Colin McLarty, Dr. Archie Campbell and Dr. J.D. Curtis.



257 Talbot St. (West), St. Thomas, ON

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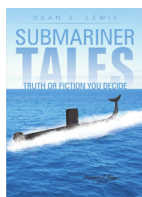
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As a St. Thomas City Councillor and member of the Municipal Heritage Committee, I am very pleased and proud of our committee's work and efforts to provide this publication. I know this information will assist you in discovering and enjoying the Heritage treasures in our community.

Thank you very much for your interest in our heritage.

Sincerely,

Councillor Joan Rymal



57 545 Talbot Street



St. Thomas City Hall, designed 1898-1899 by Neil R. Darrach, is an outstanding example of a city hall designed in the late Richardsonian Romanesque. The compact massing of the buff-coloured brick and Ohio sandstone building is effectively broken by the prominent, asymmetrically placed clock tower. Single and clustered windows (both square and round arch headed), wall dormers with side turrets, emphatic string courses, and a boldly articulated modillion cornice in metal further enliven the multiple hipped roofed structure. Sandstone entranceway on both the south and west elevations feature massive arches that open onto recessed double leaf entrance doors. Balconies with pierced balustrades and turrets complete the entranceways. The tower is distinguished by turrets, gables with clock faces, and a polygonal roof. The roofs of both the tower and the main building are covered with dark grey slate.

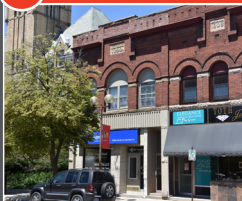


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555 Talbot Street

Built in 1901, housed succession of dry goods and clothiers on first floor including A.E. Dunlop Clothiers, J.W. Pomer Dry Goods, Wendell Holmes Bookstore, Penhale Booths and Shoes, succession of Law offices, Chamber of Commerce.

59

557-559½ Talbot Street

Built in 1908, housed numerous doctors, dentists, osteopaths on upper floor with Steel Optical on ground floor several decades. Housed Buckell & Vansickle Butchers, Antoinette Hat Shoppe Hat Shoppe, A&P Grocers, Meyer's Photo Studio, Singer Sewing Centre, Toth Jeweller (1980).

60

561-569 Talbot Street

Opened Nov 3, 1909, designed by Neil Darrach, second floor contained a banqueting and dance hall seating 750 people. Third floor housed Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Free Mason's Hall. First building to be heated by steam supplied by St. Thomas Electric Light Works. Third floor and massive cornice removed after major 1951 fire.



61 570-572 Talbot Street

Built in 1910, originally Steel and Company Fruits, Abdelh Fruits, Charles Shapcott Meats, M. Kroll Tires and a succession of retails and services.

62 571-579 Talbot Street

First two bays built in 1874, final bay in 1882. Third floor originally a mansard roof with dormers. All three builds show a common facade in period photos. All buildings had a succession of retail establishments including George Watson Publisher & Bookstore, Manley's Bookstore & Stationary, Baronet Shoes, A.S. Smith Fine Wines, Loblaw's Grocery.

63 574-584 Talbot Street

Built in 1905 as Imperial Bank. Corner unit, 584, occupied by Imperial Bank of Canada, Imperial Bank of Commerce until 1980. Other bays in the block housed Prudential Insurance, Southern Ontario gas, George Ferguson Insurances, London and Lake Erie Railway. London Free Press located at 578 Talbot Street.

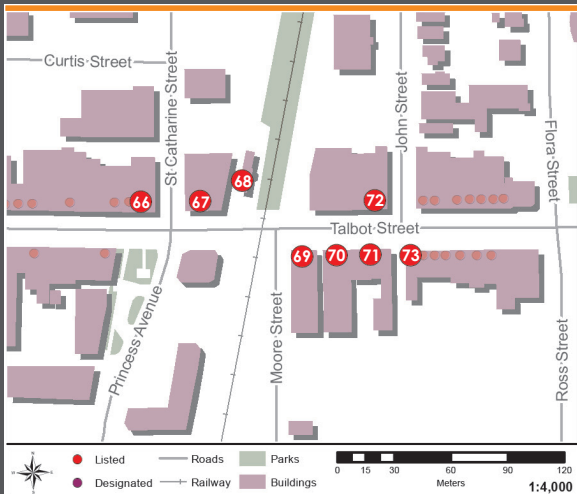
64 581-583 Talbot Street

Built in 1880 as two separate buildings. 581 Talbot Street housed Cronk Furniture Store, William McCully Furniture, Thomas Johnston Grocer and Stirling Clothiers (1910-1960). 583 Talbot Street housed Charles Begg Furniture, Thomas Scott Photography Gallery (1880-1985).

65 587-589 Talbot Street

587 Talbot Street built in 1900, housed McMurtry's Hardware and Bicycles, S. Wong Cafe (1905), Dominion Cafe (1905), George Assallay Candies, and M. Barrie Fruits. 589 Talbot Street built in 1881, housed McMurtry Hardware, Pete Peters Butcher, Olympia Candy Company, Home Dairy Bary (1925-1960), Kar-Leen Beauty Lounge, Kar-Leen Apartments.

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66 591 Talbot Street



Opened with J.H. Price Wholesale Grocers, succession of dry goods and clothiers followed, Coffey's News Depot (1970).

67 595-599 Talbot Street



The Talbot Hotel (Formerly 593-597 Talbot). The original hotel was built in 1870 and named the McNulty House. In 1914, the Elgin House that replaced the old frame hotel suffered fire damage. Following the fire, the 3 storey building was rebuilt and renamed the Talbot Hotel. Past occupants have included Hotel Talbot, Greyhound Bus Lines, Coffey's News, Schooner Inn, Silver Fox Clothing and Sunny's Tavern and Hotel.

68 605 Talbot Street



St. Thomas – London & Port Stanley Railway. This station served the east end known as Milersburg, and was also the station that the west enders needed in order to travel to London and to make connections to other lines.



69 606-610 Talbot Street

Built in 1910, the Southerland Press Building is reminiscent in construction to the present Victoria Building at the east corner of Stanley and Talbot Street on the west end of the city. Tenants included: Noble Mfg. (biscuit maker, Nobility Chocolates, and later Southerland Press Company.

70 612-614 Talbot Street

Built in 1945, The first tenant included Peterson Motors Sales. Later tenants included a variety of bus/transit tenants including: Greyhound, St. Thomas Coach Lines, Charterways Bus Lines, and later the St. Thomas Transit Terminal and St. Thomas Transit Services.

71 616-626 Talbot Street

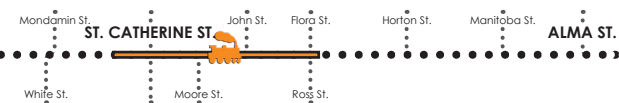
The Acadia Block was built in 1881 for William Idsardi. The building housed a variety of tenants, including: tailor shops, men's clothing stores, shoe repair shops, The Robert Harris Jewellers, The Ontario Ministry of Transportation and the Motor Vehicle Licence Office.

72 625-631 Talbot Street

Built between 1873 and 1874 the 3 building bays form the remaining Smith Blocks. Tenants in the buildings have included: Smith Hardware Store, Geo., Smiley Hardware Store, Exclusive Ladies Wear, Elgin Outfitters, St Thomas News Depot and the Beanery Restaurant.

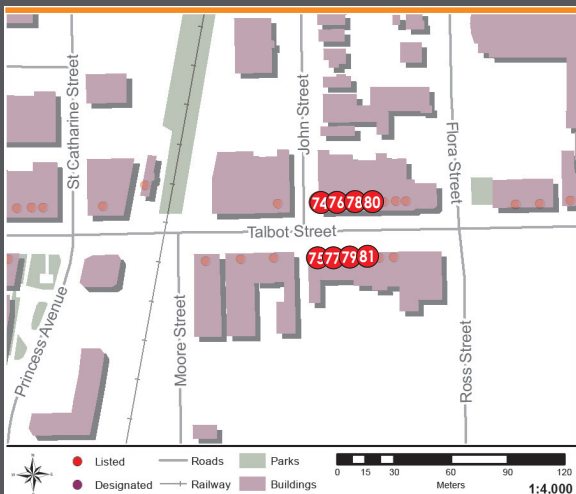
73 632-634 Talbot Street

Built in 1832, the building first occupant was M.J. O'Hara Merchant Tailors, other tenants included G.W. Blanchard Plumber, W. J. Milton Plumber, R.T., Wallis Plumbing and K & K Locksmiths.



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74 633 Talbot Street



Building occupants have included F. W. Mitchell Gents Clothing, McDonald Fraser Merchant Tailor, W. S. Martins Cigars, F. A. Lemon Drugs, G. F. Drugs, Lemon's Drug Store, Golden Gate Restaurant, Annabelle's Restaurant and Double Double.

75 636 Talbot Street



Occupants and tenants have included James A. Campbell Phys., W. E. Idsardi Insurances, Alex Darrach Real Estate, Tommy Whites Sport Shop, Studio Nine Hair Styles and Studio 36. (Forms part of the Vesta Block).

76 637-639 Talbot Street



Past building occupants have included W.R. Jackson Hardware, Jackson and Firth Hardware, Wm. S. Richardson Clothing, Gerrard's Clothing, and Baskin Fabrics. Past occupants include John Secord Grocers, R.J. Old Chemicals, F.A. Lemon Drugs, Green Front Dept. Store.



77 640-642 Talbot Street

Past occupants have included a variety of furniture and fruit vendors, including Walter H. Crack Furniture, C.I. Styles Furniture, Wm. Clarke Furniture, Lodato Fruits, Bondi Pizza and Chef Bondi. (Forms part of the Vesta Block)

78 643 Talbot Street

The buildings' first occupant was A.J. Kadwil Butcher in 1910. Past occupants have included Scotland Woollen Mills Co., J.H. Dennett Radios, J.W. Parkins Meats, Grace Sargent Beauty Shop, American Beauty Shop, Parkins Meats, Lori's Sweets, Gerrard's Clothing.

79 644 Talbot Street

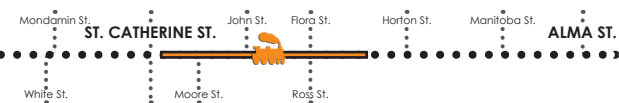
The building has primarily operated as a fish and chips restaurant and laundry mat. Tenants included Sing Lee Chinese Laundry, Wm. Hammersly's Fish Diner, Hammersly's Fish Market, and Your Fish and Chips. (Forms part of the Vesta Block)

80 647 Talbot Street

The original occupant Wilcox Wines and Spirits was later replaced by machinist stores, jewellery stores, specialty shops, and bulk food store. Past occupants include Wilcox Gunsmith Machinist, Geo. M. Wilcox Machinist, G.A. Ferguson Insurances, L.W. White Jewellery Shop, Helen's Specialty Shop, Scoops Bulk Store.

81 648 Talbot Street

Built in 1895 for Dr. Wm. E. Smith, who later partnered with Dr. J. D. Curtis. Dr. Smith was named the Railway Hospital Association Doctor. Tenants have included William Cornforth Bookstore, McDonald and Company, Jacob Robinson Clothing, Ashbury's Men's Shop, Bob's Barbershop and Ansell's Trophies. These stores have occupied the building since its inception.



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82 650-652 Talbot Street



Built in 1895 for Dr. Wm. E. Smith, who later partnered with Dr. J. D. Curtis. Dr. Smith was named the Railway Hospital Association Doctor. Past tenants include Orville Atkinson Cleaners, Fred Brown Barber, C. M. Smith Cleaning and Pressing, I.M. Williams Harnesses, Palmer's Cycle Shop, Church reading rooms and Fernlea Flowers.

83 651 Talbot Street



The building has been occupied by a variety of businesses including a grocer, dry goods store, wine shop, clothing store and law offices. Past occupants include Wm. Precious Grocer, Butler Liquors, Cook's Drug Store, Wm. Johnson and Associates Law Offices.

84 655-659 Talbot Street



Built in 1882 by Job Wooster. Past business occupants have included Job Wooster Shoes & Boots and Raven's Shoe Store.



85 658 Talbot Street

Past tenants and businesses have included plumbers, insurance agencies, electrical contractors, cable providers, and a denture clinic. Occupants include Wm. James Plumbers, J.A. McKenzie Plumbers, Neil K. Lee Insurances, Irvine Electric, Allview Cable and Conrad Denture Clinic.

86 661 Talbot Street

Past businesses occupants include Job Wooster Boots and Shoes, Fredrick Jost Jewellers, C.A. Hamond Cigars, Wm. C. Forbes Jewellers and Optometrist, Berney and Campbell Milliners, Kenneth Munroe Tobacco, Ken Munroe's Gift Card and Gift Shop.

87 681-687 Talbot Street

The Idsardi Block. Past tenants have included Richardson Boys Wear, Richardson's Crafters Depot, Richardson's Men's Wear, Cooks' Drugstore, Palmer's Camera Shop, Richardson's, Audio Video Experts.

88 689-691 Talbot Street

The building has been occupied by a variety of tenants including Heintzman and Company Pianos, B.J. Blackmen's Furnishings, Samuel Graham Clothing, Chas. T. Chute Barbershop, J.D. Gortzen Fruit Market, Sunshine Fruit Market. The Belfast Hote, K.W. Pincombe Meats, Anderson Flooring, Richardson's Crafters Depot, Richardson's Mens and Boys Wear and Richardson's Crafters Depot.

89 703 Talbot Street

Past tenants include 637 Edleston and Collins Stoveware and Tinware Art Munroe Grocers, A. Taylor's Restaurant, Taylor's Café, Taylor's Hotel, MidTown House, MidTown Tavern.

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715-717 Talbot Street

Tenants in 715 Talbot have included 715 ½ Luman Dake Stables, M.J. Grant Barber, Alymer Steam Laundry, Palmer’s Photo Studio, Bennett Small Appliances, Alpen Office Machines, Marie’s Place, Stitch and Sew. Tenants in 717 have included Thompson Cigars, Ross Roofing, Seven Seventeen China Shop, C.E. Jackson Barber Shop, Capri Pizza.

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719-721 Talbot Street

Past occupants have included J.W. Coffee Cigars, Max Kulman Tobacco, G. Carr Tobacco, W.A. Dake Tobacco, J. Burnham Birds, Park’s Smokeshop and Capri Pizza.

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725-727 Talbot Street

The single remaining Victorian home on Talbot Street East. The building has primarily functioned as doctor’s office. Past occupants have included Dr. G.A. Marlatt Physician, Dr. D.L. Ewin Physician, Dr. Ray Knight Dentist, Dan Muscat Jeweller and , Dr. James Pallo Dentist.



93 729 Talbot Street

Originally occupied by 649 Charles Fitzsimmons Dental Surgeon. Charles Fitzsimmons was a dentist in St. Thomas from 1878 and on; he helped to fund the construction of several buildings on Talbot Street. Subsequent tenants have included Dr. George Marlatt, Henry Thomas Dry Goods Store, Elgin Dairies Ltd., Cottage Bakery, Quality Meat Market, Creative Edge Hair and State Farm Insurance.

94 747-759 Talbot Street

Tenants in 751 have included Edgeworth Barbershop. Tenants in 759 have included Wellman's Feedstore, Marlatt's Flour & Feed, Graham & Paige Auto Sales, Dominion Fruit Company.

95 763-765 Talbot Street

The Welding Block. Past tenants have included J.M. Ballytine Merchant Tailor, Mrs Keeney Groceries, Beaty Washer Sales Service, Erie Smallwares, Bob's Submarines, Scott's Place, Hong Kong Variety and Yuppy Puppy.

96 767 Talbot Street

The American Hotel was constructed in 1878 to be used by railway officials and V.I.P.s. Past tenants include The Golden Crust Bakery, Bob's Submarines, Deli Wagon and Kids to Maternity.

97 769-771 Talbot Street

Past tenants include E.B. Dixon Plumber, C.W. Hawkins Electrical, G.L. Parker Barber, F.W. Pratt Second-hand Goods, R.A. McCully Groceries, McCallum Appliances, Wellman's Feed and Seed, Hammersley's Fish Market.



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98 773-775 Talbot Street



The building was initially operated as a grocery store but has primarily operated as a barbershop by a variety of occupants including G.W. Durkee Grocers, G.W. Durkee Auctioneer, Geo. Scott's Barbershop, Laing's Barbershop, Life Style Hair Styling, Daniel's Den and Kev's Barber Shop.

99 777 Talbot Street



Building occupants have included W.A. Miner Groceries, Max Kulman Clothing, E. Goldhar Fish Dealer, L.J. Lawson Baker, Target's Home Furnishings, Western Tire and Auto, Ron's Used Furniture.

100 779 Talbot Street



Businesses occupying the building have included K.S. Woodward Grocers, B.A. Summer Confections, Klip and Kurl Beauty Shop, Kathy's Hair Salon, Pasquali's Unisex Hair, International Hair Stylists and the Haircare Center.



101 783-785 Talbot Street

Occupants in the building have included Davis and Newcombe Flour and Feed, H.E. Stansell Flour and Feed, Mike's Billiards, Mikes T.V. and Stitch and Sew.

102 791 Talbot Street

Building occupants have included B.F. Miller and Sons Butchershop, F.W. Heard Tailor, B. Charlton Grocers, Dominion Store Grocer, Woodward's Grocers, Galloway's Coffee Shop, Lorel Coffee Shop, and Antiques on the Side.

103 795-797 Talbot Street

Businesses occupying the building have included Herbert Watson Shoe Repair, City Shoe Repair, Canadian Tire Corporation, Lewis Travel, (upper); Elgin-Norfolk Liberals, First Nations, Training Corp, Station Park Billiards, May-McConville Insurance Brokers.

104 801-805 Talbot Street

Past occupants include Sperrin Chant Dry Goods, John Lee Laundry, Charlie Chin Chinese Laundry, Medlyn's Hardware, Chittender Bakery, Medlyn Brothers Hardware, Medlyn's Pro Hardware and The Caring Cupboard.

105 809 Talbot Street

Past occupants include Master Thomas Food Market, Tempo Variety, Allen Skuce Barrister and Solicitor.



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106 811 Talbot Street



Building occupants have included Cyril Thomas Meats, John Thomas Meats, R.J. Walsh Upholstery, Rosalinda's Hair Styling.



107 817 Talbot Street

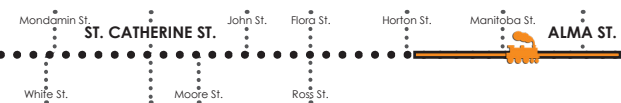
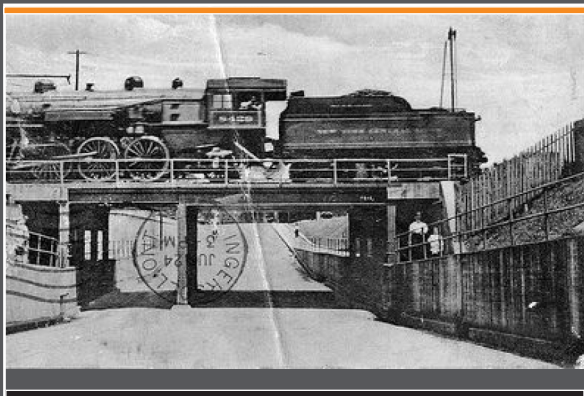
Businesses in the building have included John Ladato Fruits, Mrs. A. Ladato Fruit Market, Ladato Fruit Market and Collect it All.

108 819-825 Talbot Street

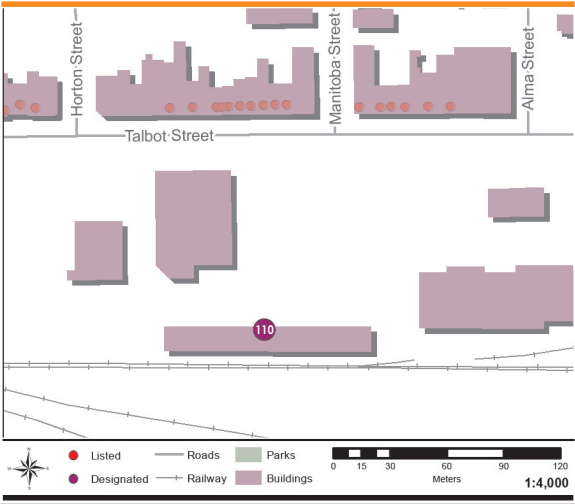
Initially operated as the International House, and later the International Hotel, the building served as a hotel and tavern.

109 827-831 Talbot Street

Forms part of 827-831 Talbot. Occupants have included D.H. McIntyre Grocer, E.E. Hooper Groceries, R.E. Coffey Autos, Hudson and Essex Sales, Ernest Gordon Auto, H.L. Gloin Grocers, Elm Ridge Hatchery, J.F. Folland Restaurant, Disbrowe Motors, Sid's Eatery and Remax Realty.



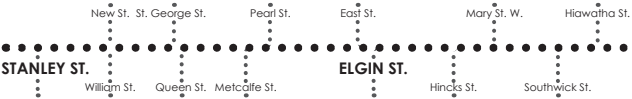
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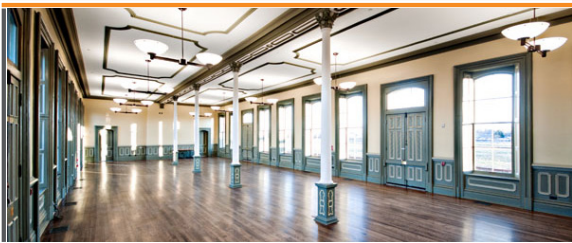
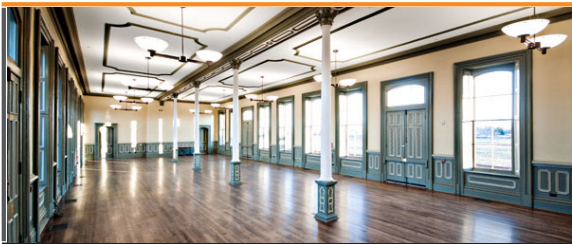
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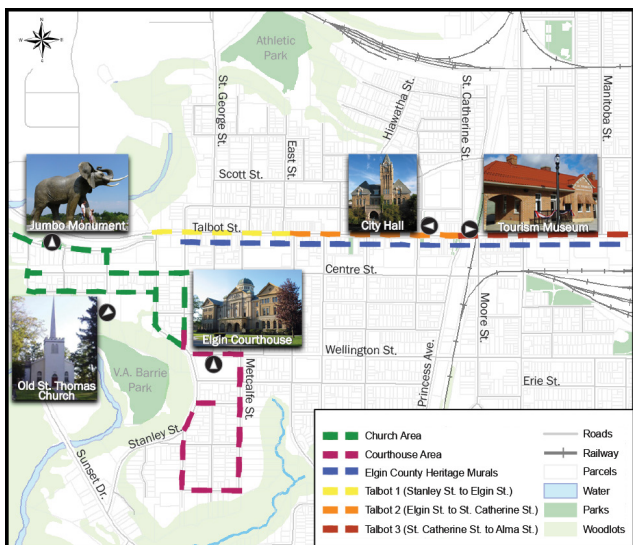


110 750 Talbot Street



The St. Thomas CASO station was built between June 1871 and April 1873. Designed by the Canadian architect Edgar Berryman (1839-1905), the building was the largest of 31 Canada Southern Railway stations built in the 1870's. The station housed the corporate headquarters of the CSR as well as being the town's passenger station. It was constructed using 400,000 buff coloured bricks that were manufactured at brickyards in nearby Yarmouth Township. These bricks were later tinted red using a rouging technique. Now that it has been restored it is owned by the North American Railway Hall of Fame.





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