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## Former W.F. Duckers Auction Rooms (Now Office)



Office - 77-79 Lt Malop Street, Geelong

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### Location

77 Lt Malop Street, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 214968

### Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

### Level of significance

Registered

### Victorian Heritage Register (VHR) Number

H0877

### Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO1637

HO253

### Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

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### Statement of Significance

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## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Auction mart at Little Malop Street was erected in 1877 for noted Geelong auctioneers, W F Ducker and Co., adjacent earlier established premises. The Victorian eclectic style building, built of brick with stone dressings and internal timber embellishments was designed by noted Geelong architect, Alexander Davison. The style is highly original and without parallel in Geelong. The decorative elements are noteworthy. W F Ducker was a distinguished Geelong citizen and mayor of the city from 1870-72. The auction rooms survive intact, except for the painter facade.

### References

Geelong Advertiser 6th July 1880 - tenders for flooring and roof to store for W F Ducker, Esq. Apply Joseph Watts, Architect.

Geelong Advertiser 16th May 1887 - General repairs to stores, Moorabool Street, for W F Ducker, Esq., Architect J Stuart Jackson.

W. R. Brownhill, The History of Geelong and Corio Bay, 1955 Wilke & Co., Melbourne, p.641. Description of notable early citizen W F Ducker, Ibid; description of W F Ducker & Co. enterprise.

Geelong Advertiser 11 October, 1877 - Tender notice for erection of stores and office in Lt. Malop Street, Geelong.

Geelong Advertiser, " A new Auction Mart", 28 January 1878. Description of New Auction rooms for W F Ducker, including description of artisans..

Geelong Advertiser 25 October, 1877 - Laying of foundation stone.

Willingham Index for details of career of Alexander Davidson.

Willingham, Allan, "Two Scots in Victoria The Architecture of Davidson and Henderson", Master of Architecture thesis University of Melbourne 1983.

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Heritage Act Categories	Registered place,
Hermes Number	19339
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