Parker Iron Merchant Store (former)

Location

10 Shorts Place North, GEELONG VIC 3220 - Property No 217909

Municipality

GREATER GEELONG CITY

Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

Heritage Overlay Numbers

HO196

Heritage Listing

Greater Geelong City

Statement of Significance

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The former store of Parker and Company, Iron Merchants, located in Shorts Place, Geelong, was erected c1859 for local merchant, Richard Parker. This distinctive two-storey basalt structure of Italianate style and unknown architectural origins, is one of the last of the bluestone industrial premises of the mid 19th century in Geelong and a fine example of this typology. Richard Parker was a distinguished local identity, Mayor of Geelong and responsible for the "Parkers Penny", an unofficial business token which gained universal acceptance in Geelong and which was minted in the Shorts Place premises.

References

W R Brownhill, The History of Geelong and Corio Bay

Wilke & Co. Ltd., Melbourne 1955

Description of notable early Geelong citizen, Richard Parker

City of Geelong Rate Book : 1859-60, 118, Parker Richard, off St. Malop Street, brick/stone, shed and yard ?1/17/6

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