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# Location

4 Bennett Street BACCHUS MARSH, MOORABOOL SHIRE

## Municipality

MOORABOOL SHIRE

## Level of significance

Included in Heritage Overlay

## **Heritage Overlay Numbers**

HO17

## **Heritage Listing**

Moorabool Shire

## **Statement of Significance**

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An early Picturesque Gothic ashlar stone house, possibly derived from a pattern-book design, built in 1865 by James Young. Young established the Border Flour Mill, the Border Store and served in various public positions.

The house is locally significant historically as a representative embodiment of a way of life in the mid-1860s and demonstrates its association with important and influential local figure James Young. It is also significant as an early local substantial house.

It is of local architectural significance as a rare (purported) example of the influence of pattern-book designs, and as an intact representative example of the Picturesque Gothic style.

Heritage Study/Consultant	Moorabool - Bacchus Marsh Heritage Study 1995, Richard Peterson and Daniel Catrice, 1995;
Other Names	Parsonage,
Hermes Number	117882
Property Number	

## **Physical Conditions**

Fair only. There is very serious vertical structural cracking. The side walls appear to be rotating.

#### Intactness

Very good. The stonework has been painted: Three coats are visible. The rear verandah has been removed.

#### **Physical Description 1**

A Picturesque Gothic limestone ashlar house, its design possibly derived from pattern books. It has a gable roof across, is double fronted and symmetrical, with two canted bay windows and parapets flanking a gable-roofed entrance porch. These bays are hard on the front boundary line. They have deep ovolu moulds, a frieze-mould and in the window soffits, prismatic panels.

The gables and the porch have fine, loopy decorative barges, slot vent and finial. There is a Jacobean labelmould over the four-centred arched entrance and a carved motif: two wreaths inscribing a four-petal flower over a ribbon. The recessed four-panel door has fanlight and sidelights. Other windows have flat architraves and cills. There are rock-face quoins. Dual parallel gables and a verandah project at rear. There is a diamond pattern precast concrete foorpath.

#### **Historical Australian Themes**

Townships

#### **Usage/Former Usage**

USE: House

PREVIOUS USE: Parsonage.

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