

BUILDING TITLE: George Gill Chemist **BUILDING ADDRESS:** 152 Gray St
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: A || B || C |X| D || E || **BUILDING TYPE:**
DESIGNATION: HBR Reg No File # AHC File # NT File # Class || Rec ||
CONSERVATION AREA: Gray St Commercial **LEVEL OF STREETScape SIGNIFICANCE:** 1 || 2 |X| 3 ||
STYLE: Edwardian

CONSTRUCTION DATE & ALTERATIONS:

1. 1915?
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

Sources:

1. date that Geoge Gill becomes sole proprietor.

MATERIALS:

Roof: corrugated iron
Walls: red brick
Dressings: cement render
Plinth: tiles
Windows: anodized aluminium
Paving:
Other:

SURVEY DATE: 7/3/91

NEG FILE: 2/23

REPORTER: TFH

INTEGRITY: E || G || F |X| P || **NOTABLE FEATURES:**

CONDITION: E || G || F |X| P ||

SIGNIFICANCE: Important fraternal twin of eastern neighbour.

ALTERATIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS:

Appropriate:	Rec	Inappropriate:	Rec
		first floor facing	R
		shopfront	S

O=reinstate original design S=reinstate sympathetic alternative R=remove RAM=remove by approved method

SIGNIFICANT OWNERS/TENANTS:

land to W Smith, 8/9/52

ARCHITECTS/BUILDERS:

Sec
5
Geo Gill, 1915, owner

TITLE:

C A
6 (part)

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

George Gill, chemist
152 Gray Street

This red brick chemist's shop has architectural interest as a fraternal twin of 154 Gray Street and has local significance as the site of a chemist's shop from c1874-5, when a brick shop was owned and occupied by Edward Howard Jackson, chemist. ⁽ⁱ⁾ Chemists were among Hamilton's earliest businesses. ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ By the 1880s a brick shop on the site was owned and occupied by chemists, John Gaffney and George Phillips Jnr, ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾ and from 1888 by Phillips alone. ^(iv) The description of the building remained the same at the turn of the century when George Gill, chemist, was the occupier and, from 1915, the owner/occupier. ^(v)

The building was probably refaced in 1915 when George Gill became the sole owner in which case it would be one of the few buildings built in that decade. It appears to remain intact underneath the cladding which obscures its first floor and parapet. It contributes to the streetscape as a fraternal twin to its larger neighbour.

ASSOCIATED HISTORIC THEMES

Evolution of the Town: 1870s, 1880s, 1910s.
Tertiary Industry: Chemists
Health: Chemists
Professions: Chemists

ASSOCIATED HISTORIC BUILDINGS

154 Gray Street.
Former Uren's Pharmacy, 90 Gray Street
Robson's Pharmacy, 158 Gray Street

REFERENCES

HSA DP No. 223. for Mr Gill, dated 12 August 1938.
Hamilton Rate Books
Garden, Don, *Hamilton*, North Melbourne, 1984.

FOOTNOTES

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- ⁱ *Hamilton Rate Book 1874*, No. 122 (shop, NAV 18 pounds), 1875, No. 114 (shop, NAV 30 pounds).
ⁱⁱ Garden, Don, *Hamilton*, p 81.
ⁱⁱⁱ *Hamilton Rate Book 1885*, No. 134 (shop, NAV 30 pounds).
^{iv} *Ibid.*, 1888, No. 139 (brick shop NAV 30 pounds).
^v *Ibid.*, 1904, No. 164 (shop, NAV 30 pounds), 1915, No. 175 (shop, NAV 30 pounds).