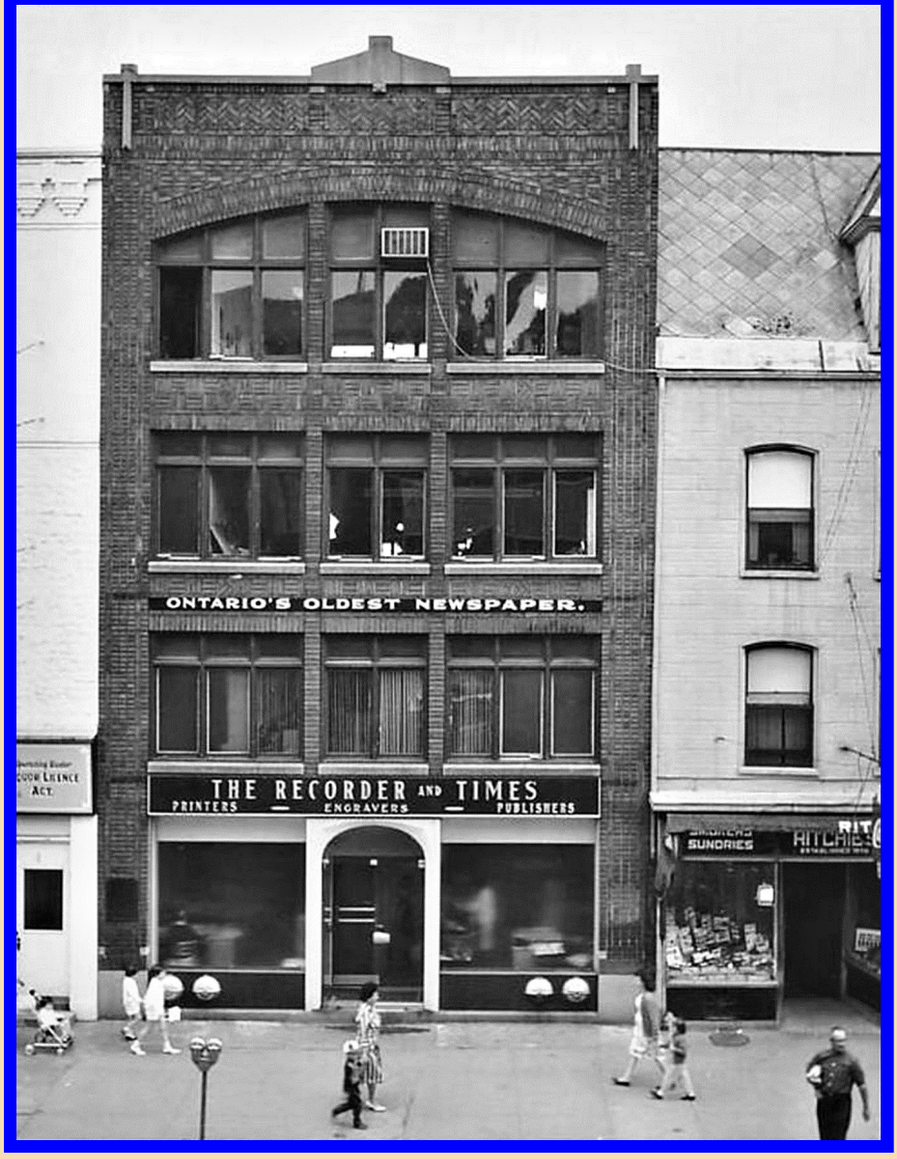
RECORDER & TIMES BLOCK

pre 1850

23 King St. West

2 => 1 Storefronts



DIRECTORY LISTINGS:

1886/1890: George Gale, produce dealer, green grocery (19); CPR Ticket & Telegraph office (23)
1895: James Robertson, auctioneer (19); vacant (23)
1900: John T. Stoliker, barber (19); Richard B. Harris, florist (23)
1910/1913: A.E. Soper, grocery (19); The Brockville Times, newspaper printing (23)
1918/2007: The Recorder & Times, newspaper printing (23)
2009/2015: Ogies Cafe Deli (23)
2019: Winnibee's Cafe (23)
2022: Serendipity Boutique (23)

George Gale lived over 143 King St. W.

CPR Ticket & Telegraph office was run by A. Caswell, followed by George McGlade.

The original building was built probably before 1850. The Evening Times moved in here, in the first decade, around 1905. The majority of the older buildings in this area were enlarged, modernized and refaced with a new front. It is unclear if this was done here as opposed to demolition and rebuild. With the merger of The Recorder with The Evening Times to form The Recorder & Times in 1918, a larger building was needed.

The early building had two storefronts. After The Recorder & Times renovation there it reverted to one storefront, which continued after they closed.

The Recorder, a weekly liberal paper, was first published by Chauncey Beach in 1821 with William Buell, Jr. taking over two years later. In 1948, he would sell it to David Wylie, formerly with the Montreal Herald. Under Wylie, it became a daily on Nov. 10, 1875. Between 1885 and 1893, it went through several owners. George Perry Graham, formerly of the Morrisburg Herald took over partial ownership in 1893, and full control in 1895. In 1918, he took over the Daily Times, to form The Recorder and Times. This conservative paper had been founded by Thaddeus Leavitt in 1883. The paper stayed in the family as Graham's granddaughter, Helen Grant, took over in 1946. It then went to her husband Findlay Maclean in 1958. Hunter and Perry Grant took over in 1972. After 106 years in the Graham-Grant family, it finally left Brockville ownership with the 1998 sale to Sun Media, who then sold it to Postmedia in 2015.

Doug Grant Facebook

Recorder & Times; January 17, 2021

OTHER VIEWS

Looking form above there looks to be four sections, the original building with three additions. The bottom photo show the final addtion, making it the longest building by far in the block. There was an opening to let the traffic through on the bottom, a break in the bottom floor.

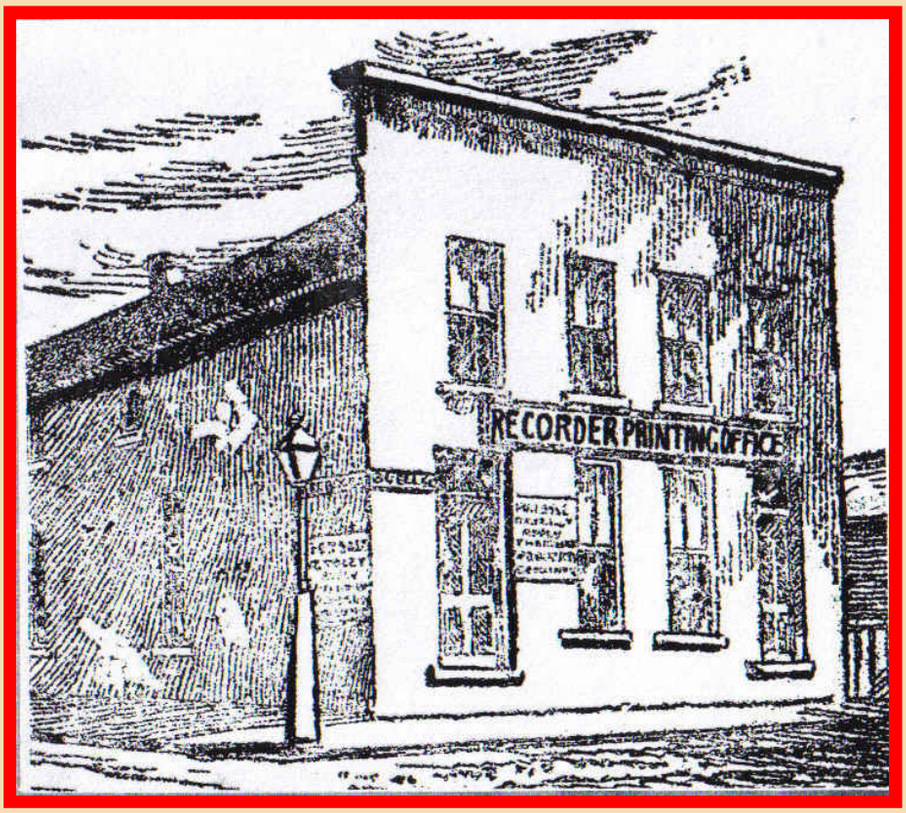
STOREFRONTS

THE RECORDER AND TIMES
PRINTERS — ENGRAVERS — PUBLISHERS

OGIES
CAFE DELI
OPEN

Winniebee's Cafe
MUFFINS COOKIES

EARLIER LOCATIONS



The Recorder had many early locations including this one in a building where the current library stands on Buell St.

LATER LOCATIONS

1600 California Ave.

2479 Parkedale Avenue

"At the end of this month, we at The Recorder and Times will turn a page in our history, as the temporary closure of our office will become permanent. Back in March, we closed our office to the public and sent our staff members to work from home, a decision made by businesses across Canada as the COVID-19 pandemic's first wave swept over the country. Even after media were declared an essential service which could keep offices open, Postmedia Network Inc. maintained a mandatory work-from-home order for all employees across Canada. This was a decision made to protect the health and safety of our employees, as well as that of our clients."
Recorder & Times; November 26, 2020

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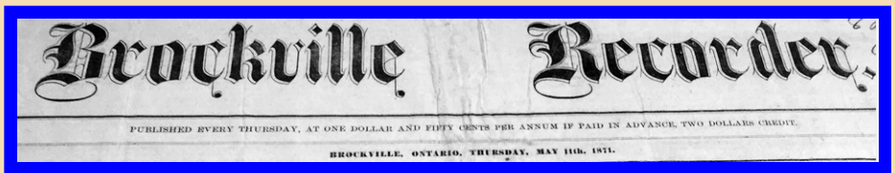
Brockville Recorder.

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY, AT ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS PER ANNUM IF PAID IN ADVANCE, TWO DOLLARS CREDIT.

BROCKVILLE, ONTARIO, THURSDAY, MAY 11th, 1871.

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Probabilities

The Recorder and Times

Jest For Fun

Year 55 — No. 106 BROCKVILLE, ONTARIO, MONDAY, MAY 5, 1958. Single Copy, City Zone Price Seven Cents

COMMUNITY: Town sees 16% jobs growth PAGE A2

THE RECORDER & TIMES

SERVING BROCKVILLE AND THE REGION SINCE 1825

POSTMEDIA

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2017

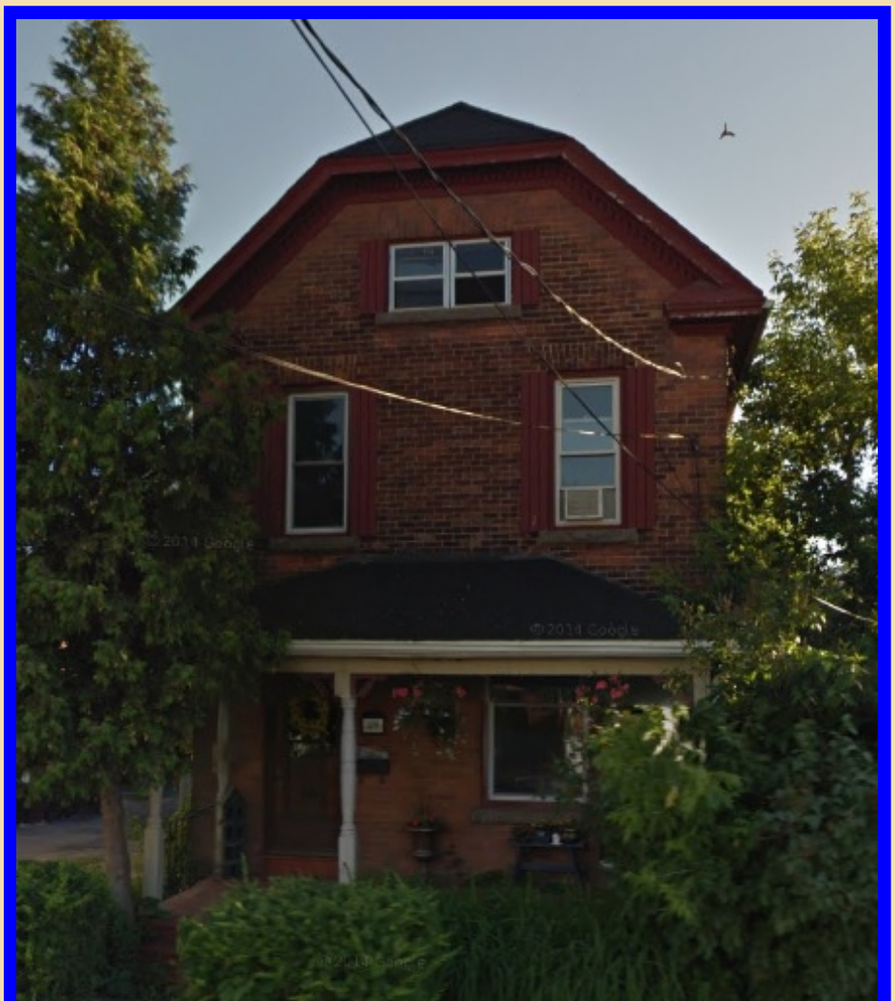
WILLIAM BUELL, JR. HOUSE

29 Buell St. (Old Address: 35 Buell St.)

DIRECTORY LISTINGS::
??: William Buell, Jr.
1884: Brock Cowan
1895: Miss R. Vandewater (dressmaker)
1911/1919: Thomas Cardinal
1929: Mrs. J. Cardinal

1943: Celia Apartments (4)

DAVID WYLIE HOUSE



40 William St. West (old addresses: 56 William St.; 46 William St.)

DIRECTORY LISTINGS::

1884/1890: David Wylie
1895/1899: Robert M. Bell
1910/1912: W.J. Splan
1919: J.H. Babcock
1929: J.A. McCammon;
1942/1948: Ralph Goodin
1960: D.C. Barbour

David Wylie, who purchased The Recorder in 1849 and owned it for 36 years lived at 56 William St. (1884 address).

GEORGE P. GRAHAM HOUSE

350 King St. West
The large frame home was built in the 1890's for George P. Graham, who was publisher and owner of the Recorder and Time's. Graham took over control of the paper in 1893, and took total ownership in 1895. The Graham/Maclean/Grant family owned the paper for 103 years. Graham served as a provincial member of parliament from Brockville in 1898 to 1907. He servied in the federal parliament 1907 to 1917. By the 1940's Mrs. Carrie Graham lived here. In the late 1940's, the house was taken over by his daughter Helen and her second husband, Findlay Maclean. The home was divided into 4 apartments in the 1950's and has had many owners.
George P. Graham
(Directory of 1890 lists this address as "Vacant house", an indication that it was in the process of being built. Directories of 1913 to 1929 show George P. Graham at this address. 1961 Directory shows divided into apartments.) :
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