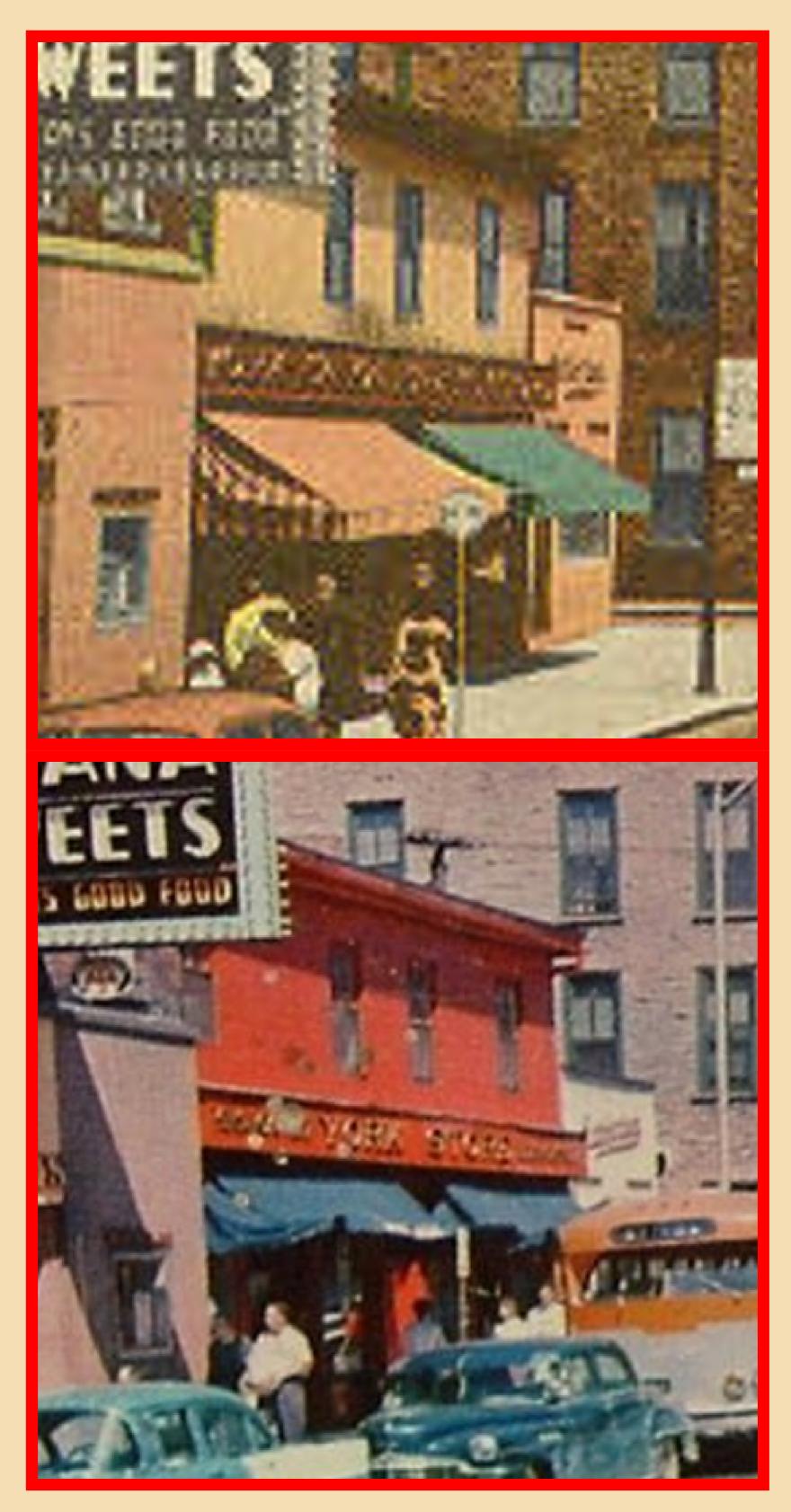




YORK BUILDING pre 1850 - c1987

132 - 138 King St. West **3 Storefronts**



DIRECTORY LISTINGS:

1884:: Miss Ann Rickerby, grocery; Henry McKee, saloon & hotel; 1886:: Miss Ann Rickerby, grocery; Henry McKee, saloon & hotel; (L.W. Easton); 1890:: H.H. Gill, commision merchant (138*); Mrs. Easton, lunch rooms (134*); William Cole, agricultural implements (132*); 1895:: Joel Judson, carriages (138*); Charles Spellman, barber (134*); Ross & Burnes, butchers (132*); **1900:** Joel Judson, carriages (138*); Anson Carr, barber (134*); Thomas Barnes, butcher (132*); 1910:: New York Restaurant (138); J.P. Willrich, barber (134); J. Hunter & Sons, butchers (132); 1913:: Lee Brothers Restaurant (138); J.P. Willrich, barber (134); J. Hunter & Sons, butchers (132); **1919:** George Pulos, cigars & billiards (138); vacant (134); vacant (132); 1924:: George Pulos, cigars & billiards (138); Springgay Lunch Room (134); N.S. Cuthbertson, real estate, insurance (132); 1929:: York 5c to \$1 Store (138); F.R. Bowman, meats (134); N.S. Cuthbertson, real estate, insurance (132); 1931:: York 5c to \$1 Store (138); Howard Seeley, meats (134); N.S. Cuthbertson, real estate, insurance (132); **1935/1954:** York 5c to \$1 Store (134+138); N.S. Cuthbertson, real estate, insurance (132); **1961:** York Store (134+138); Fred Onyski, real estate, insurance (132); 1963:: Sheridan's Budget Store (138); Colonial Coach Lines (134); Fred Onyski, real estate, insurance (132); 1966/1973:: Adley's Furniture (134+138); Fred Onyski, real estate, insurance (132); **1976/1980:**: Adley's Furniture (134+138); vacant (132); **1982:** Adley's Furniture (134+138); Pizza King (132); 1984:: Bill Leaman's Sewing Ctr (138); Town & Country Cleaners (134); Pizza King (132); 1986:: Bill Leaman's Sewing Ctr (138); Town & Country Cleaners / Dependable Vacuum Ctr (134); Pizza King (132);

1880s addresses show 134 and 136 here, matching permanent addresses in the 20th century. Most other addresses in different buildings do not match. The small one-story store added on the end was obviously added on later, and was there in the drawing map of 1874.

Mrs. Easton lived upstairs in the 1890s.

New York Restaurant got its start here in the first decade of the 1900s. Their history starts in 1930, but this is only the beginning of the Leip and Agnes Lor ownership. They must have acquired the name and possibly equipment. The business moved from here to the Central Block before moving to it's long time location at the other end of town.

Because of the nearly 40 year run of the York 5c to \$1 Store, beginning in 1927, this building has been referred to as the York building. York's initially only occupied half of the main building, #138, but in the early 1930s doubled their space and occupied the entire main floor. With the Great Depression raging, there would have been more people looking to survive on low-end product. There were 5c to \$1 all around the area and were equivalent to our Dollar stores of today. That's what inflation does to things. The "5c to \$1" moniker in the name was dropped in advertising by the early 1950s, but continued in the directories until c1960, shortening their name to simply York Store. Sheridan's Budget Store, which replaced it c1962, seemed to be the same store with a name change. Fred J. White was manager. It was gone by c1964.

Doug Grant on York: "On the left was the china and glassware department, and on the right was the ladies ready-to-wear coats, dresses, hats and hosiery section. They also advertised a good selection of small wares, toys, dolls, fancy goods, games, etc."

Adley's Furniture also occupied the entire first floor of the main building, #134 and #138, from the 1960s to 1980s. They opened around the same time as the great 1965 fire took out Adams Furniture across the street/over a block. Adams did not re-open, and Adley's seemed to fill the void in central King St.

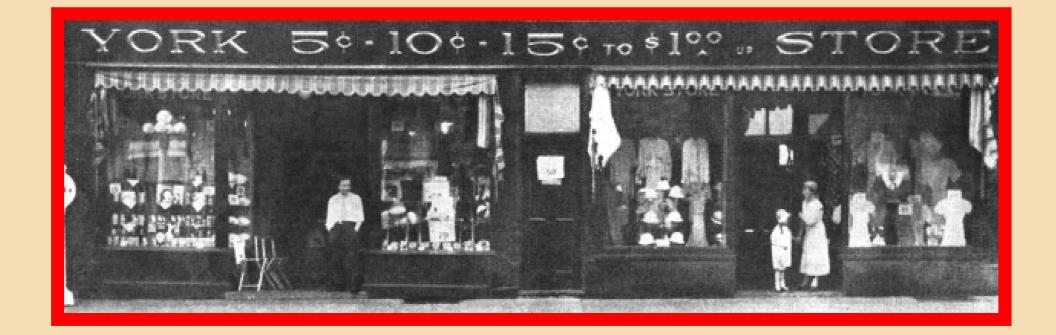
The York Building was demolished c1987, to construct a Tim Horton's outlet.

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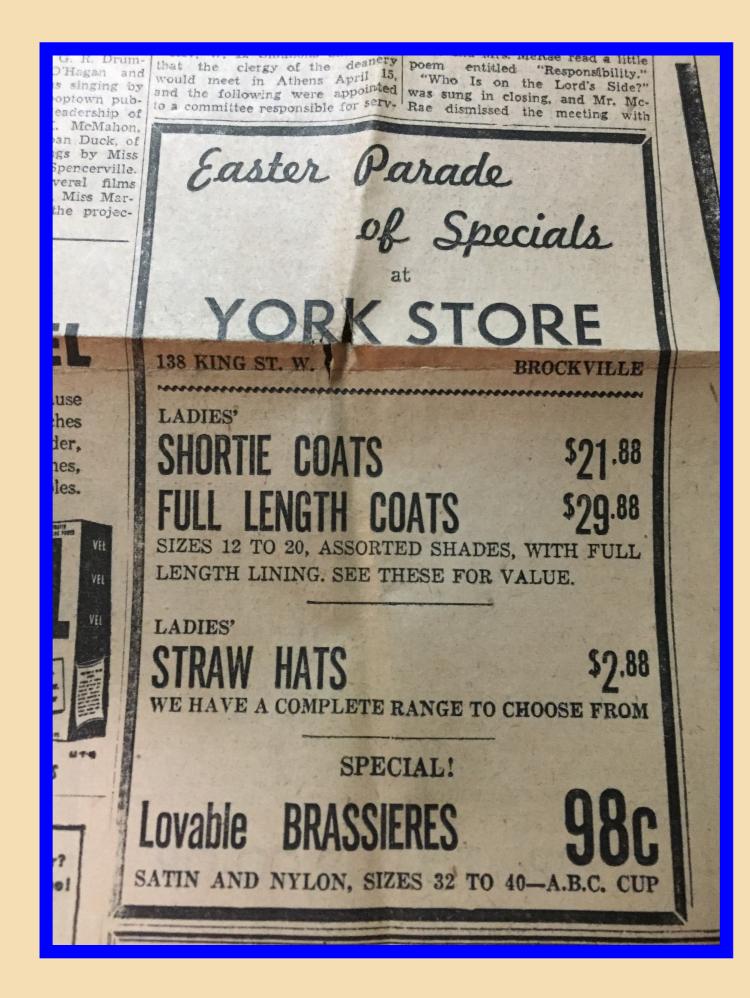
The back of the York Building from above. A bit fuzzy. The small eastern addition extended further back than the main building.

STOREFRONTS



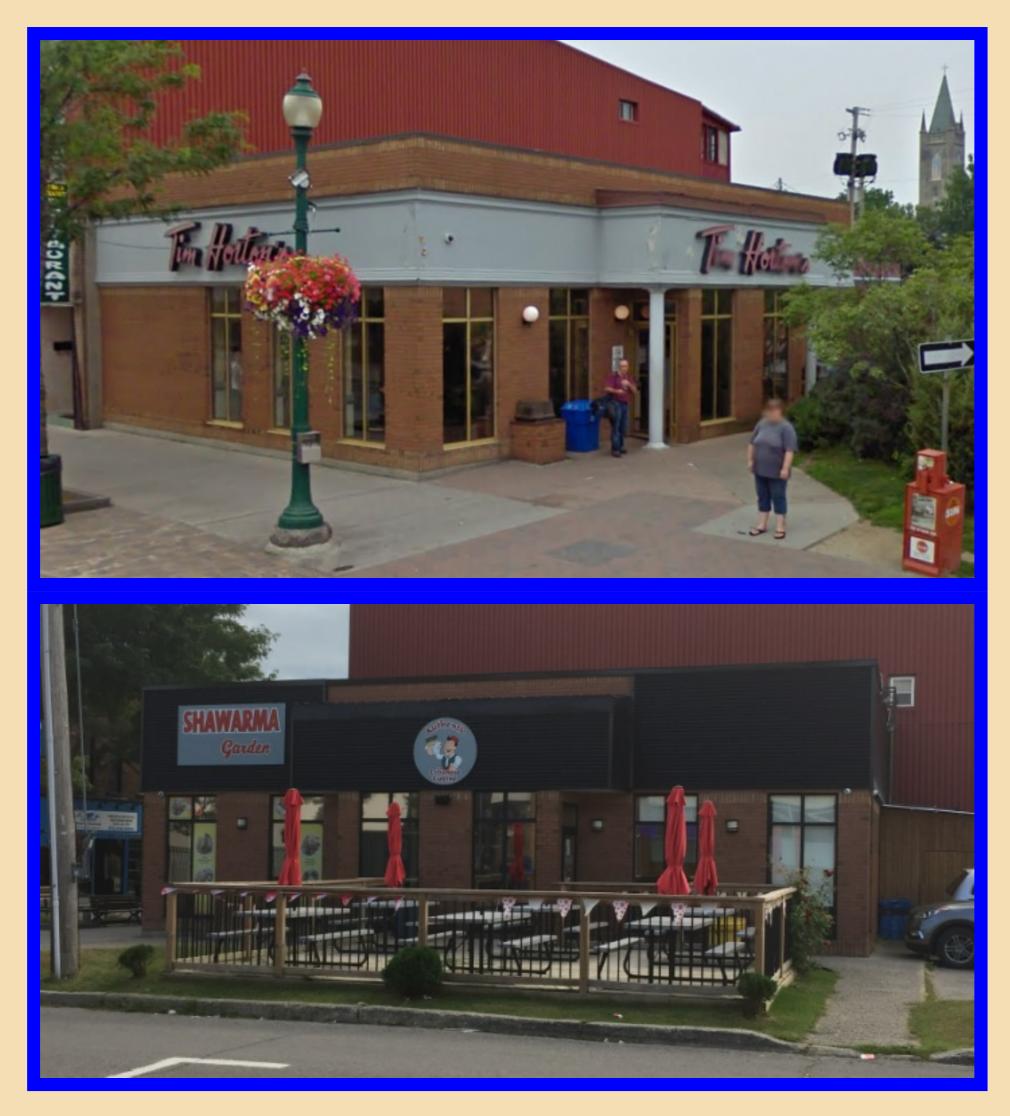
York 5c to \$1 Store;

ADVERTISING



York Store, 1953;

THE REPLACEMENT TIM HORTON'S BLOCK c1987 138 King St. West



DIRECTORY LISTINGS:

1988/2009:: Tim Horton's, donut shop 2012/2014:: vacant 2018:: Shawarma Garden, restaurant

Built c1987 for a Tim Horton's outlet. There was some controversy, demolishing an old building to replace it with a donut shop. There was also controversy when the design had the front entrance facing Chase St., not King St. Even with this, the address remained 138 King St. W. It closed c2010, probably because it was more a hang-out with patrons spending very little.

Shawarma Garden opened c2016 and was the first and still only Brockville restaurant serving a Mediterranean delicacy from the heart of the Lebanese Cuisine: The Shawarma.

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