

17081 Simcoe Street, Mariposa Township



17081 Simcoe Street has cultural heritage value as the only surviving example of an Italianate commercial building in Manilla. The building was constructed in 1870 by George Douglas as a general store and was operated by the Douglas family for over 60 years. The property includes key features used in the Italianate style which was popular for commercial buildings at this time including two-storey construction, a flat roof and ornate brickwork. The property has direct associations with the development of Manilla in the mid-nineteenth century and its growth as a local centre. The property contributes to the historic character of the hamlet and is also a local landmark as the Manilla General Store. It has operated as a general store since 1870.