

Two-storey corner building, with eleven-bay frontage onto Society Street. Painted, smooth rendered façade, quoins (at first floor on left hand side), sill course at first floor windows and fibre cement (?) slate roof. Eleven square-headed openings at first floor, ten of vertical sliding sash painted timber windows, and one three-pane casement window with rendered shallow gable over. Shopfront fascia full length of façade with nine. pilasters. three square-headed door openings at ground floor all with four-panel painted timber doors and transom lights. Photograph, of building, looking towards Bishop Street.

## History

The 1899 valuation indicates the building on the site at that time was of three-and-a-half-storeys to the front and two-storeys to the rear; occupied by W G O'Doherty, public house, with a shop (off licence?) onto Bishop's Street and bottling store to the rear.

## **Owners/Tenants**

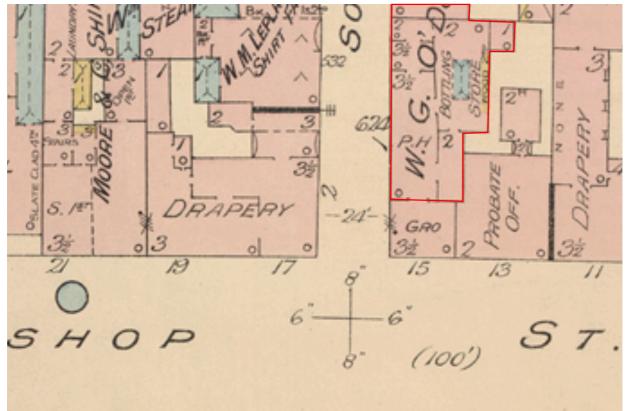
1-3 Society Street

1871	James Maguire;	Catherine Gallagher,	Patrick Gallagher,	Hugh Gallagher
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- 1876 George Macklin; Catherine Gallagher
- 1879 Catherine Gallagher, store; Alfred Jewel, store
- 1884 W.G.O'Doherty, stores; Catherine Gallagher, store; Alfred H Jewel, stores; Benjamin Cusack, workshop
- 1889 W.G.O'Doherty, stores; Catherine Gallagher
- 1895 W.G.O'Doherty, stores; Catherine Gallagher
- 1905 W.G.O'Doherty, store
- 1909 W.G.O'Doherty, store
- 1918 W.G.O'Doherty, store
- 1927 W.G.O'Doherty, store
- 1941 W.G.O'Doherty & Co.
- 1949 W.G.O'Doherty & Co.
- 1953 W.G.O'Doherty & Co.
- 2012 McGee's Bar & Off Sales

1876+1884-1953 Derry Almanac; 1879 Giveen's Almanac; and others.

## Archive Maps



1-3 Society Street, Valuation Map, 1899

## Archive Images



1-3 Society Street, circa 1973 (photo courtesy of DRD)



Address	5 Society Street
Name	Britannia Hall
Map Reference	SS2
Plot Number	28
Listed Building Reference Grade	no n/a n/a
Conservation Area Reference	yes historic city
Building at Risk Reference	no n/a
Date of Construction	1938
Original Use	hall
Present Use	offices

Two-storey, five-bay, end of terrace building with painted roughcast rendered façade and façade subdivided vertically by 6no. painted, smooth rendered pilasters on rendered plinth, and sub-divided horizontally by painted string courses at ground and first floor window sill level. Natural slate (?) double pitched roof. Windows, casement painted timber to all openings. Second bay from right-hand side recessed main entrance. Raised wall above, with pediment. Building name and date in applied letters on painted, smooth rendered, background above main entrance.

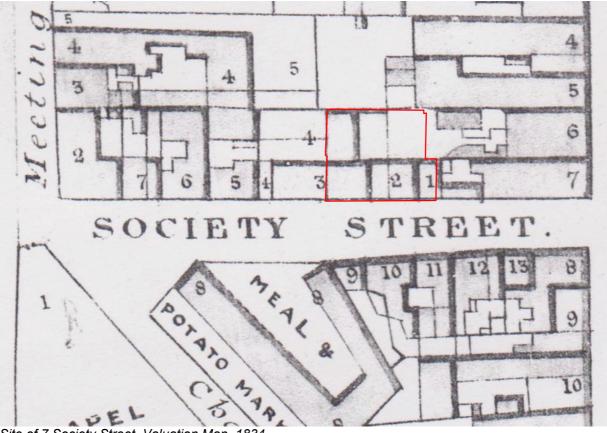
## **Owners/Tenants**

## **5** Society Street

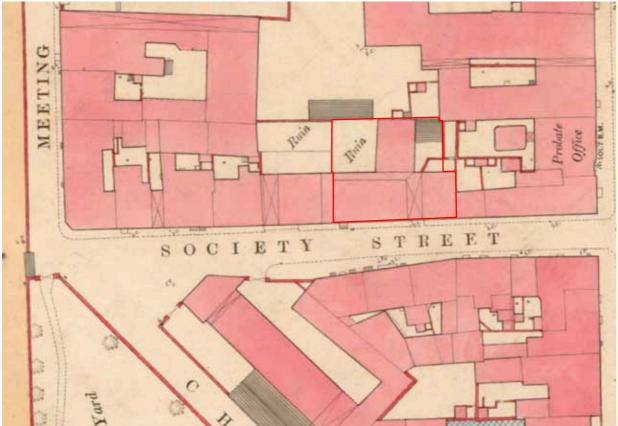
1876	James M'Grath
1879	James M'Grath
1884	George Starrett?
1889	Thomas M'Devitt
1895	Thomas M'Devitt
1905	S & G Heatley
1909	S & G Heatley
1918	S Heatley
1927	S Heatley
1938	Britannia Hall
1941	Britannia Band Rooms
1949	Britannia Band Rooms
1953	Britannia Band Rooms
2012	Appliance Centre (?)

1876+1884-1953 Derry Almanac; 1879 Giveen's Almanac; and others.

## Archive Maps



Site of 7 Society Street, Valuation Map, 1834

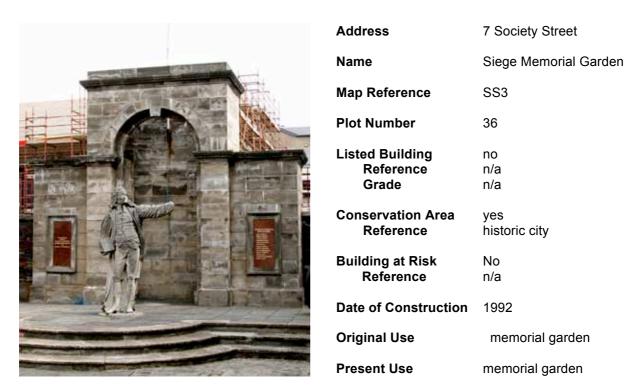


Site of 7 Society Street, Ordnance Survey map, 1873

## Archive Images



Britannia Hall, 5 Society Street, circa 1973 (photo courtesy of DRD)



Tri-partite structure positioned at one end of garden, with central arch and keystone. Smooth stone construction, plinth and cornicing and two levels above. Commemorative tablets on short walls either side of central arch. Statue centrally positioned. On raised platform accessed by semi-circular and other shallow steps. Siege Memorial Garden built to commemorate the Siege of Derry, which lasted 305 days during 1688-1689. Garden officially opened by the Mayor of Londonderry, Alderman William Hay in December 1992. Centrally aligned reproduction of the Governor Walker statue, Colonel George Walker was the City's Governor during the Siege. Statue incorporates parts of the original statue from the Walker Monument that had stood close by on the City Walls.

## History

Site previously occupied by two, two-storey terraced buildings set at the back-edge of the pavement, demolished after 1973.

The original Governor Walker statue stood on the top of the Walker Monument, a 27 metre high column that was built on the Royal Bastion between 1826 and 1828. All but the plinth of the monument was destroyed by a bomb in 1973. Walker governed the city after Lundy.

'Sir George Walker (c.1618–1690) was joint Governor of Derry along with Robert Lundy during the Siege of Derry in 1689 and received the thanks of the House of Commons for his work. He was killed at the Battle of the Boyne on 1 July 1690 (12 July), whilst going to the aid of Frederick Schomberg, 1st Duke of Schomberg, and Commander-in-Chief of all Williamite forces in Ireland, who was wounded during the crossing of the river in the early part of the battle. He was originally buried at the battlefield but at the insistence of his widow, his body was later exhumed and buried inside the church at Castlecaufield, County Tyrone.'

Wikipedia 2012

## **Owners/Tenants**

7 Society Street

1871Jane Blair1876James Blair

1879	Mrs Blair, publican
1884	Jane Blair, hotel
1889	Jane Blair
1895	Mrs Dinsmore
1905	Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, James Wedlock, In-spector
1909	W Warren
1918	Thomas Smith
1927	Mrs Smith
1941	Mrs Smith
1949	Earnest Gutman?
1953	Earnest Gutman?
1992	Siege Memorial Garden
2012	Siege Memorial Garden

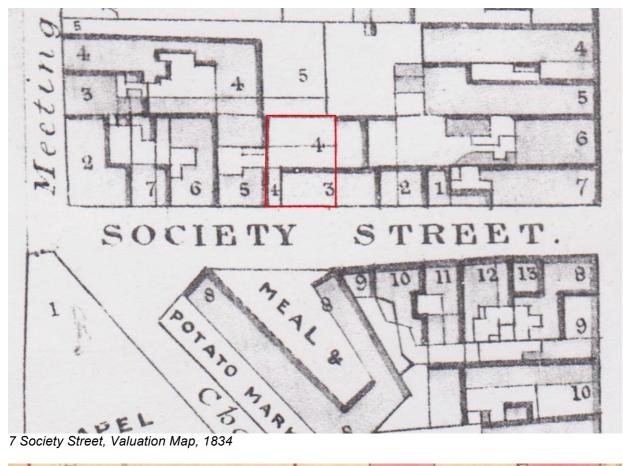
1876+1884-1953 Derry Almanac; 1879 Giveen's Almanac; and others

7\* Society Street

1871	Alfred Jewel
1876	Alfred Jewel
1879	Alfred Jewel, cork-cutter
1884	Alfred H Jewel; Robert Henderson
1889	Robt. Henderson
1895	Robt. Henderson
1905	Robt. Henderson
1909	Mrs Henderson
1918	Robert Henderson
1927	Robert Henderson; Edward Kearney
1941	Robert Henderson
1949	Robert Henderson
1953	Robert Henderson
1992	Siege Memorial Garden
2012	Siege Memorial Garden

1876+1884-1953 Derry Almanac; 1879 Giveen's Almanac; and others

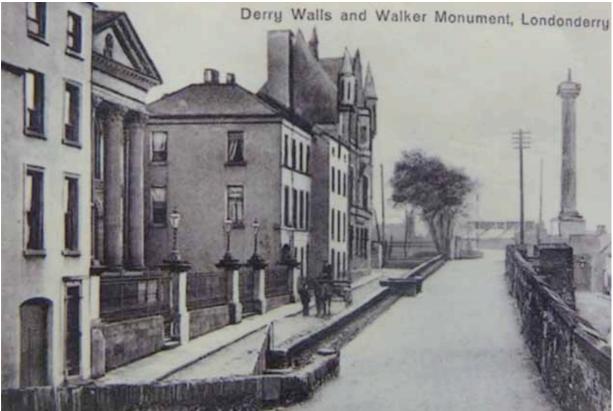
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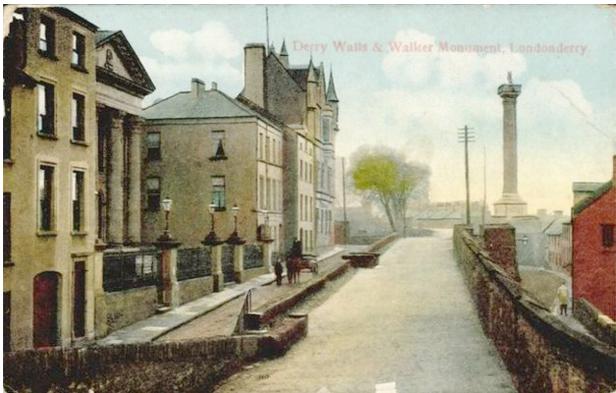


7 Society Street, Ordnance Survey, 1873

## Archive Images



Upper Magazine Street, postcard, circa 1910



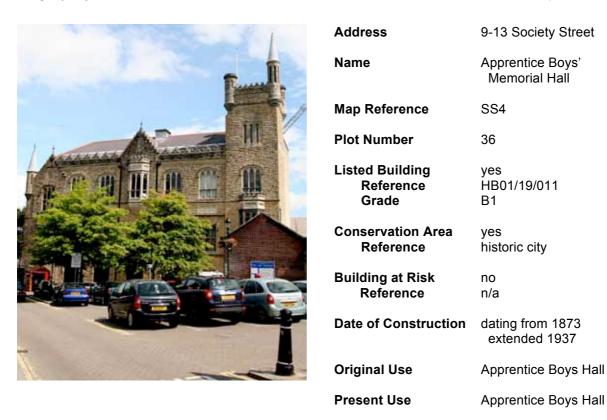
Upper Magazine Street, postcard (tinted), circa 1910



7 Society Street, circa 1930s (outlined).



7 Society Street, circa 1973 (photo courtesy of DRD)



Three-storey sandstone random rock faced corner building. Architect John Guy Ferguson. Natural slate roofs and four-storey square tower on Society Street. Set at the back edge of the pavement on a corner site overlooking the City Walls. Dating from 19th and 20th centuries both parts adopt the same style, neo-gothic medieval style with Tudor and Scottish Baronial influences. Dating from 1873 and re-opening with extension 1937. The 1873 section is mostly on Upper Magazine Street. This section includes windows with mullion and transoms, and at second floor, a central oriel and turrets at either end. Centrally positioned crow-step gable. What also stands today, from that time, is one bay with orial window and gable on Society Street. (The 1873 tower no longer is situ).

Extended and embellished by Robinson and Davidson, architects. The extension of 1936-37 includes tower with turrets and oriel. Centrally positioned, between the 1873 build, and the tower, are four bays and a centrally positioned bay with oriel and crow-step gable. Photograph shows 1937 extension to right.

## History

The Apprentice Boys Memorial Hall was built in two phases. The first phase runs parallel to Upper Magazine Street, built in 1873, with a single bay and tower on Society Street. The building was designed by John Guy Ferguson in a neo-gothic style, with a strong Scottish baronial façade. The building opened in 1873 and is dedicated to the memory of the thirteen Apprentice Boys who closed the City gates in 1688. In 1936 the Hall was extended along Society Street, re-opening 1937. The extension was designed by Robinson Davidson architects, and included the construction of a new repositioned tower in similar form. The extension is dedicated to the memory of those who died in 'The Great War of 1914-1918'.

The building is the headquarters of the Apprentice Boys of Derry Association and includes a debating chamber. Other organisations such as the Orange Order and Royal Black Preceptory have separate accommodations in the Hall. Also housed is a Social Club and Siege Museum.

'Architect: J G Ferguson; The foundation stone was laid in 1873 and the building opened in 1877 at a cost of  $\pounds$ 3,250. The building was extended and embellished by Robinson and Davidson, architects, at a cost of  $\pounds$ 30,000 and re-opened in 1937.'

Historic Buildings in and near the City of Derry, Ulster Architectural Heritage Society, 1970

## **Owners/Tenants**

## 9 Society Street

1884	William White
1905	L M'Kinlay
1909	Wm Foster
1918	Mrs M'Kinley
1927	William Foster
1937	Apprentice Boys Hall (extension)
1941	Apprentice Boys Hall
1949	Apprentice Boys Hall
1953	Apprentice Boys Hall
2012	Apprentice Boys Hall

1884-1953 Derry Almanac; and others.

## 11 Society Street

1889	Robert King
1895	Robert King
1905	Robert King
1909	Miss King
1918	John King
1927	John King
1937	Apprentice Boys Hall (extension)
1941	Apprentice Boys Hall
1949	Apprentice Boys Hall
1953	Apprentice Boys Hall
2012	Apprentice Boys Hall

1889-1953 Derry Almanac; 1879 Giveen's Almanac; and others.

13 Society Street

1889	Edward Cooke
1905	John Hampton; Wm Long
1909	John Hampton; Wm Long
1918	David Mackay; Thomas L Jordan
1927	David Mackay
1937	Apprentice Boys Hall (extension)
1941	Apprentice Boys Hall
1949	Apprentice Boys Hall
1953	Apprentice Boys Hall
2012	Apprentice Boys Hall

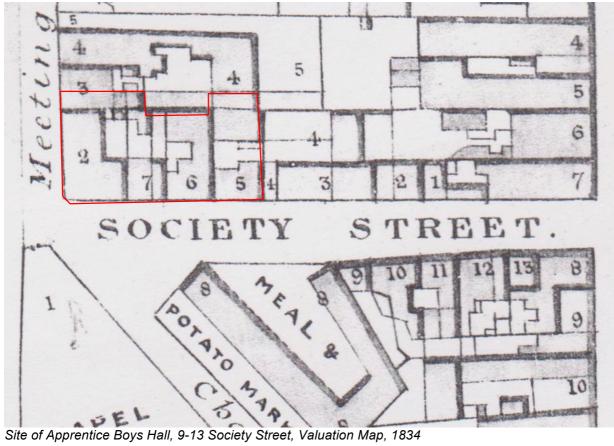
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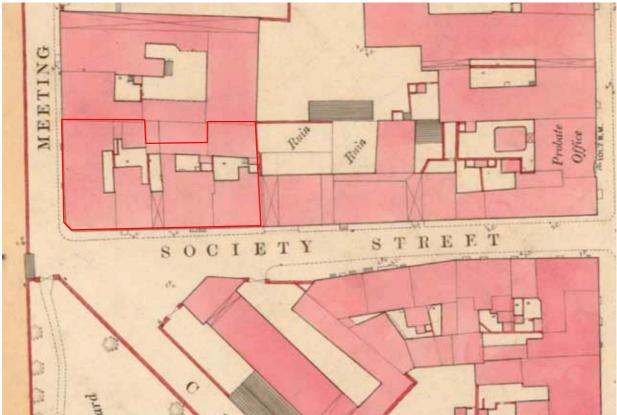
## 13\* Society Street

1873	Apprentice Boys' Hall
1879	Apprentice Boys' Hall
1884	Apprentice Boys' Memo-rial Hall, David Norry
1889	Apprentice Boys Hall, David Norry, caretaker
1895	Apprentice Boys Memorial Hall
1905	Apprentice Boys Memorial Hall
1909	Apprentice Boys Memorial Hall
1918	Apprentice Boys Memorial Hall
1927	Apprentice Boys Memorial Hall
1941	Apprentice Boys Memorial Hall
1949	Apprentice Boys Memorial Hall
1953	Apprentice Boys Memorial Hall, caretaker, R M'Clean

1884-1953 Derry Almanac; 1879 Giveen's Almanac; and others.

## **Archive Maps**





Site of Apprentice Boys Hall, 9-13 Society Street, Ordnance Survey map, 1873

## Archive Images



Apprentice Boys Hall from St Columb's Cathedral, circa 1895



Apprentice Boys Hall, circa 1900 Hall has splayed corner entrance doorway at Upper Magazine Street and double doors to Society Street.



Apprentice Boys Hall and no.13 Society Street, circa 1900



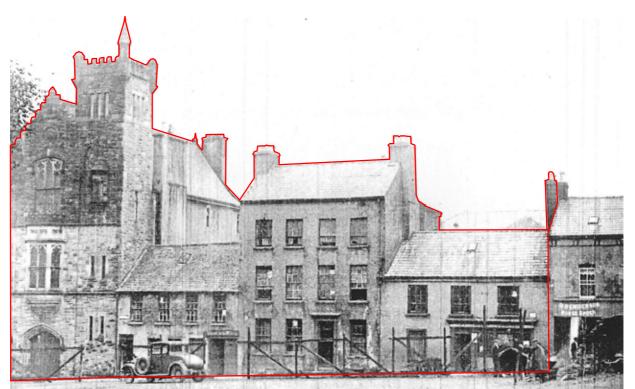
Apprentice Boys Memorial Hall, circa 1910



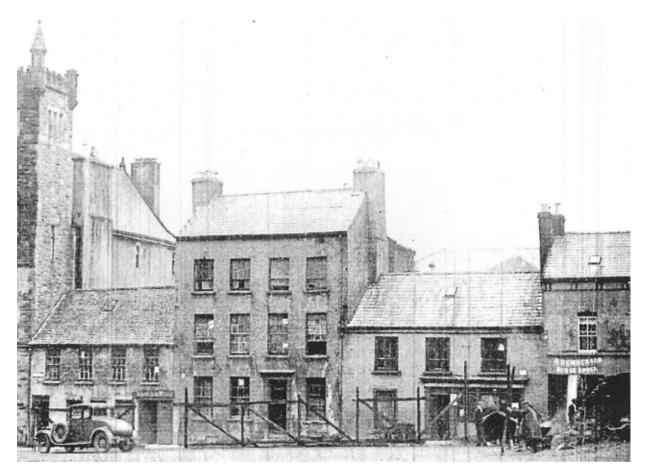
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Apprentice Boys Hall, circa 1910



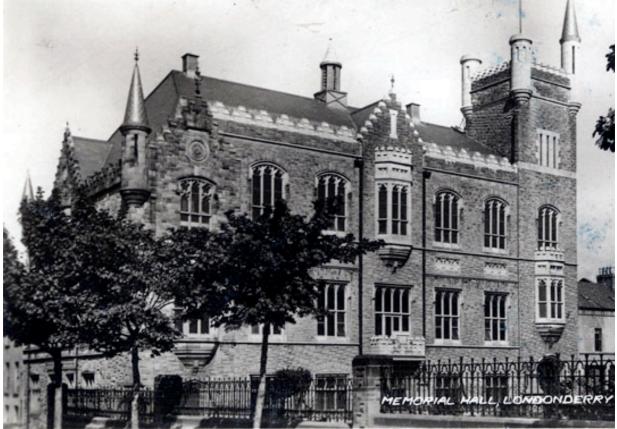
9-13 Society Street, circa 1930s (outlined).



9-13 Society Street, circa 1930s



## Apprentice Boys Hall extension, circa 1936



Apprentice Boys Hall extension completed, circa 1940



9-13 Society Street (on right-hand side) Photograph circa 1973 (photo courtesy of DRD)



9-13 Society Street. Photograph circa 1973 (photo courtesy of DRD)



Address	Public Realm
Name	none
Map Reference	SS5
Plot Number	23
Listed Building Reference Grade	no n/a n/a
Conservation Area Reference	yes historic city
Building at Risk Reference	no n/a
Date of Construction	n/a
Original Use	public space
Present Use	public space

A space that includes seating; tree, and hard, landscaping.

## History

Site of the Free Grammar School. Storey-and-half, detached stone building with school room and 'parlour' on the ground floor and 'sleeping apartments' at first floor. School re-located to new premises outside the city walls in 1814 and renamed Foyle College, merging in 1976 with Londonderry High School, becoming Foyle and Londonderry School. Site occupied by the potato market from 1815. Market buildings partially demolished between 1904 and 1909, the remainder cleared by 1932.

'Now previous to the formation of the Colony in 1600 by Sir Henry Docwra, there was no Free School at Derry...

The Commissioners Messrs Proby and Springham who were sent hither in 1616 by the Irish Society to inquire into the state of the Plantation reported on their return that the Commissioners allotted 300 acres for a Free School when it should be finished which Mr Springham promised to erect at his own expense the next year the school was accordingly erected...That the Corporation of London were bound to make ample provision for the maintenance of the Free School at Derry, can scarcely be doubted, and something tantamount to an acknowledgement of this obligation appears from the Report of their Commissioners. And though the school house was accordingly finished in 1617, yet it does not appear that the 300 acres so allotted, were ever given. Of this, evidence has been already adduced from Downham's Visitation Book, and further proof of the fact will be found in the following extract from a Petition, presented in 1624, to his Majesty's high Commissioners for Irish Causes, by the Mayor Commonalty and Citizens of the City of Londonderry:

It pleased God to stirr up ye mind of a good benefactor of London, Mathew Springham Esq, to build us a schoole house, wth a court of lime and stone as alsoe the Society of the Governr and Assistants of London of ye Plantation during their pleasure, to allow twenty markes, English, yearlie, towards maintenance of a schoolmr, wch wthyc addition of his Maties said guift would be a competent support for a Mr and some help for an usher and so the schoole made free according to his highness most princelie intention in defect whereof ye poor inhabitants not being able to give their children education at schoole doe suffer them to growe up in an idle and vagrant manner wch

hath bin ye bane of this Kingdom wherefore wee humbly pray yor wisdoms to be a meanes that his Maty first intended en dowm be made good unto us and that the Cittie of Lon will be pleased to confirm the said pention of 20 marks 13 6s 8d per annum in perpetuity.

Notwithstanding, there is a fair schoole house built at Londonderry by Mathias Springham Merchant taylor of London and the City of London hath assigned a yearly stipend of twenty marks to be given to the schoole master...

The Old Free School. This building was situated near the Augustinian Church and was either on or closely adjacent to the 'terra sacerdotalis,' the ground was granted by the Irish Society. The house was 67 feet in length, and 25 feet in breadth, and a story and a half in height. It was like the other original buildings of the City, entirely of stone. The first story consisted of a school room hall and parlour, the second of sleeping apartments &c, in which were four windows, in range. On a stone over the door was the following inscription;

Mathias Springham, a.r. ad honorem dei et bonarum, literarum propogationem, hanc scholam fundavit anno salutis M.DC.XVII.'

[Mathew Springham a.r. For the honour of God and good, [and] the improvement of literature, [this] school was established in the year of our [Lord] 1617] (Google translation 2012)

Immediately after the Siege, the house was almost rebuilt by the succeeding Bishop Dr King, who at the same time erected an apartment for the collection of books, purchased by him from the executors of his predecessor, Dr Hopkins.

The Londonderry Free Grammar School, Derry Diocesan School, Foyle College, alias Lough Foyle College. By the exertions and well known munificence of the late Dr William Knox Lord Bishop of Derry this building was raised in 1812-13 and opened in August 1814 Previous to its erection a private Bill passed the Houses of Parliament enabling his Lordship to dispose of the premises occupied by the old School and to carry the erection of the new one the management of the funds &c into effect.

27<sup>th</sup> [May 1689] A corn mill was constructed by Captain Gregory in the old Free School, built in 1616-7 by Mr Springham, to supply the garrison....

The old Free Grammar School, built by Mr Springham in 1617, was demolished in 1815.'

Annals of Derry, Robert Simpson, 1847

## **Owners/Tenants**

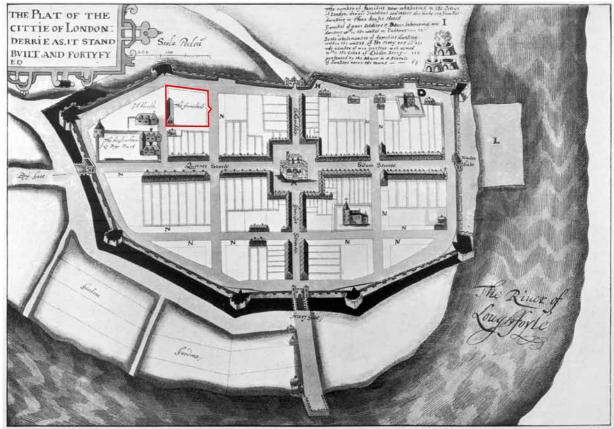
1617	Free Grammar School
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- 1689 Free Grammar School temporarily converted for use as a corn mill
- c1690Free Grammar School re-built and extended1814Free Grammar School re-located to Foyle College1815College
- 1815 Old free Grammar School demolished
- 1815 potato market
- 1834 meal & potato market
- 1857 public markets
- 1876 T W D Humphreys
- 1884 William Mullen
- 1889 Robert Kelly

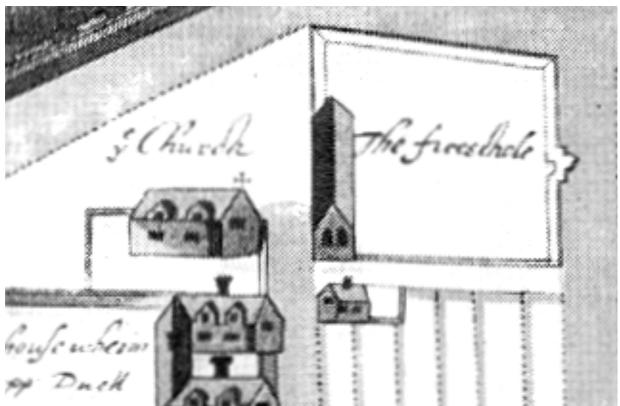
1905?Demolished2012Car park

1876+1889 Derry Almanac; and others.

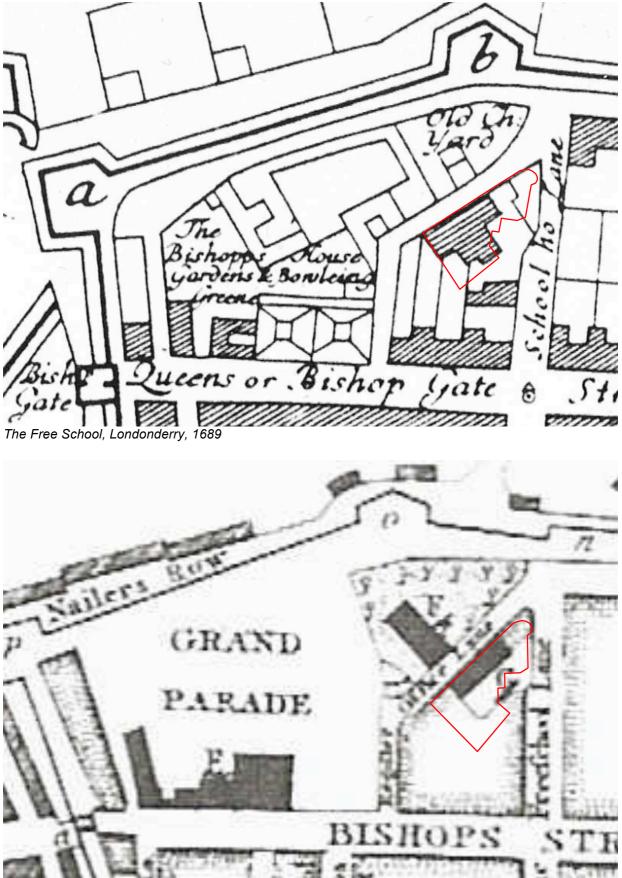
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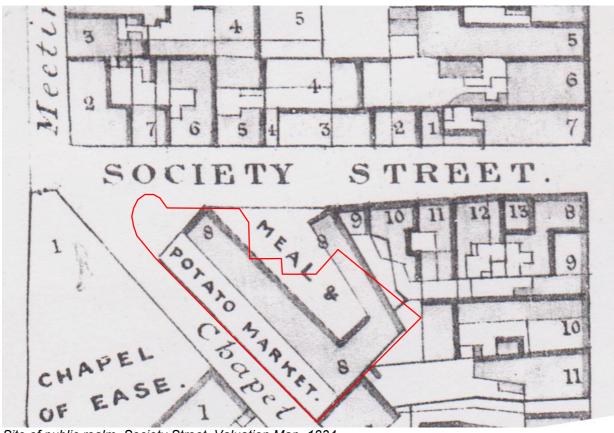
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Free School, Plan of the City and Suburbs of Londonderry, Robert Porter, 1799

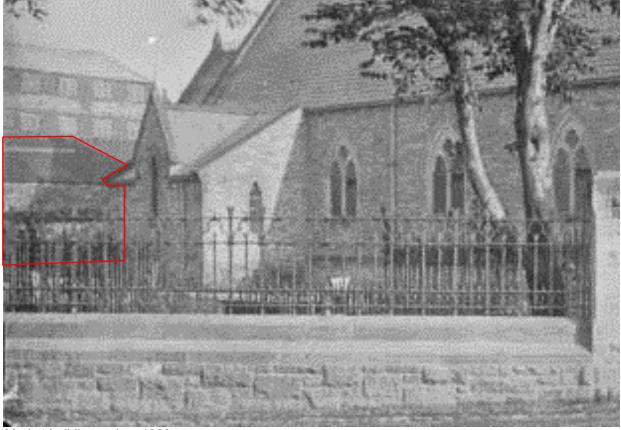


Site of public realm, Society Street, Valuation Map, 1834

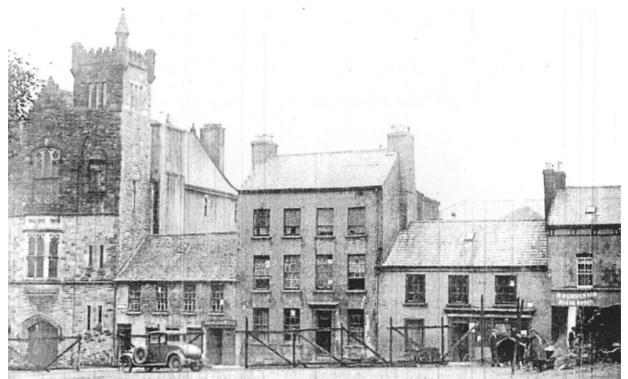


Site of public realm, Society Street,, Ordnance Survey, 1873

## **Archive Images**



Market buildings, circa 1900



Public realm following demolition of Society Street market buildings in circa 1905, photo circa 1930.

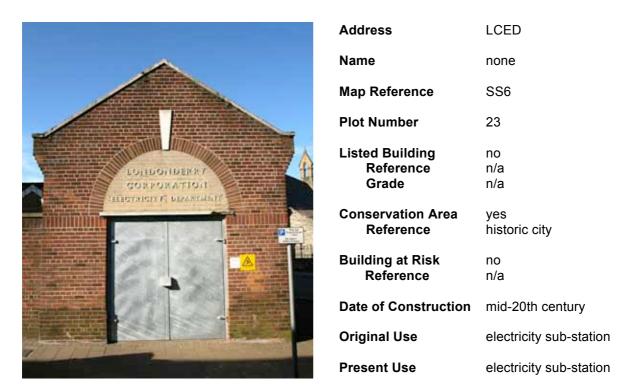
**Archive Articles** 

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OLD-ESTABLISHED HORSE REPOSITORY in SOCIETY STREET, formerly in the occupation of the late Mr. JAMES CUNNINGHAM, where he purposes continuing the LIVERY STABLES, and has opened a VETERINARY ESTABLISHMENT, but only for the Treatment of Non-Contagious Diseases.

MEDICINES supplied, and ADVICE GIVEN GRATIS where no visit is necessary.

The Yard and Stables are complete, and in Good Repair, and every attention will be paid to animals in the Livery and Veterinary Departments. Derry Almanac, 1889 (market buildings?)



Single-storey, one-bay, detached electricity sub-station building set at the back edge of the pavement with brick façade, and natural slate roof. Corbelled parapet, and gable with coping. Centrally positioned, semi-circular arch in brick soldier form, on brick soldier band course. Elongated keystone. Flat-headed door opening. Double, metal doors.

## History

Late 19th century, site occupied by livery stables, later veterinary stables and horse bazaar, corporation yard, then electricity sub-station.

## **Owners/Tenants**

**Electricity Sub-station** 

1876	J Cunningham, stable
1879	J Cunningham, stable
1884	J Cunningham, stable
1889	J B Moore, VS, veterinary establishment and stables
1895	J B Moore, VS, stables
1918	Millar & Beatty, yard
1927	Corporation Yard
1941	Electric Light Sub-stn
1949	Electric Light Sub-stn
1953	Electric Light Sub-stn
2011	Northern Ireland Electricity
2012	Power NI

1876+1884-1953 Derry Almanac; 1879 Giveen's Almanac; and others.

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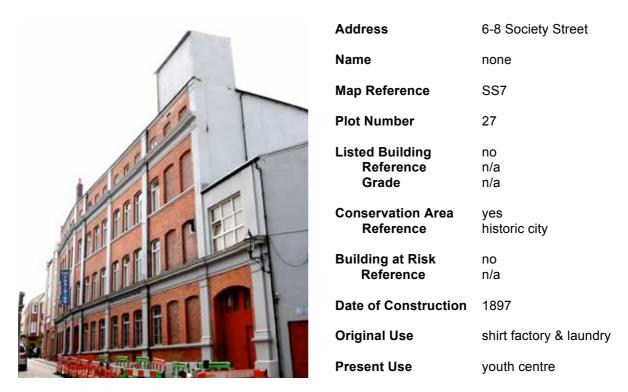
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Derry Almanac, 1889



Four-storey, fifteen-bay former shirt factory and laundry building, and two-storey, with one-bay adjoining building. Set at the back edge of the pavement, with red brick façade and natural slate hipped roof with rooflights. Full-height painted render pilasters generally positioned at three; but also two and single bay intervals. Cornice and frieze at first and third floor window sill level, sill courses at ground and second floor levels. Segmental brick arched openings, with diminished scale on third floor. Painted timber casement windows; eight bricked up openings. Three large carriage arch openings. The last bay on right-hand side has shallow pitch roof, painted render to gable and first floor and square, large, nine pane window. Photograph of building, looking towards Bishop Street.

## History

The 1873 Ordnance Survey map indicates the site at that time to be occupied by four terraced properties. Site redeveloped between 1895 and 1899. Building occupied by the Model Laundry, and the Bayview Shirt & Collar Co., amongst other businesses.

## **Owners/Tenants**

6 Society	y Street
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1876	Jane Storey

- 1879 Thomas Lecky
- 1884 Wm Wilson
- 1889 Wm Wilson
- 1897 site redeveloped
- 1899 W M Leplastrier, shirt factory
- 1905 J & F Hyland, box factory?
- 1909 M'Glashan, Shields & Le Plastrier, factory
- 1918 Shield's factory
- 1927 Sackville Manufacturing Co., shirt factory
- 1941 Bayview Shirt & Collar Co.
- 1949 Bayview Shirt & Collar Co.
- 1953 Bayview Shirt & Collar Co.
- 2012 Derry Youth & Community Workshop
- 1876+1884-1953 Derry Almanac; Giveen's Almanac; and others.

## 8\* Society Street

1876 1879 1884 1889 1895 1897 1899 1905 1909 1918 1927 1941 1949	Elizabeth Rolestone Elizabeth Rolestone John Hunter John Hunter John Hunter site redeveloped laundry Wm Shannon, laundry Model Laundry Model Laundry Sackville Manufacturing Co., shirt factory Bayview Shirt & Collar Co. Bayview Shirt & Collar Co.
1953	Bayview Shirt & Collar Co.
2012	Derry Youth & Community Workshop

1876+1884-1953 Derry Almanac; Giveen's Almanac; and others.

8\* Society Street

1876	Catherine Coyle
1879	Mrs Coyle, hotel
1889	Robert Neely
1895	Robert Neely
1897	site redeveloped
1899	laundry
1905	Wm Shannon, laundry
1909	Model Laundry
1918	Model Laundry
1927	Sackville Manufacturing Co., shirt factory
1941	Bayview Shirt & Collar Co.
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2012	Derry Youth & Community Workshop

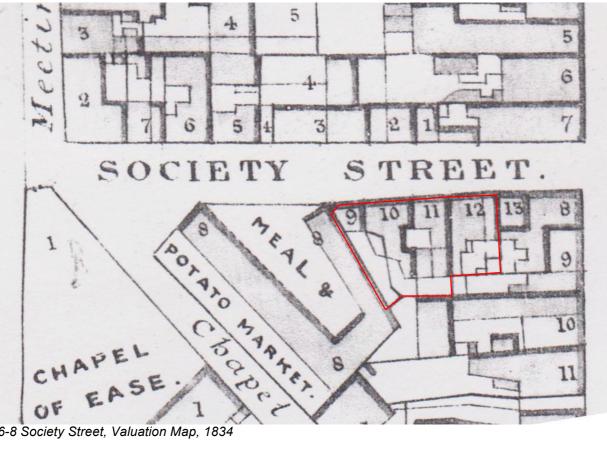
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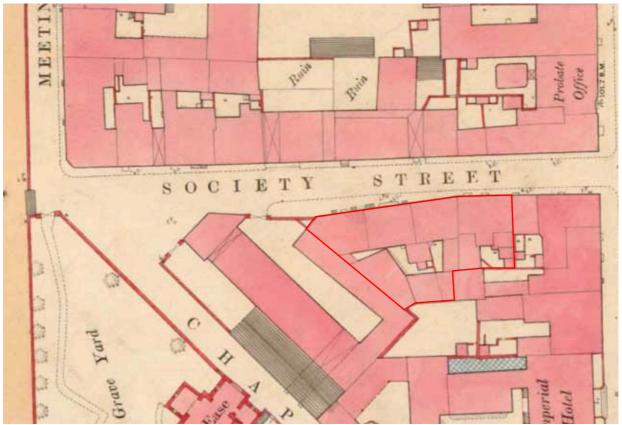
Wm Friel
Thomas Friel, cabinet maker
Thomas Friel
Thomas Friel
site redeveloped
laundry
Wm Shannon, laundry
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Sackville Manufacturing Co., shirt factory
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## **Archive Maps**



6-8 Society Street, Valuation Map, 1834



6-8 Society Street, Ordnance Survey, 1873



6-8 Society Street, circa 1973 (photo courtesy of DRD)

