



<b>Address</b>	1-6 St Columb's Court
<b>Name</b>	None
<b>Map Reference</b>	SC1
<b>Plot Number</b>	8
<b>Listed Building Reference Grade</b>	yes HB01/19/007A-F B1
<b>Conservation Area Reference</b>	yes historic city
<b>Building at Risk Reference</b>	no n/a
<b>Date of Construction</b>	late-19th century
<b>Original Use</b>	5no. houses
<b>Present Use</b>	5no. houses

## Description

Two-and-a-half-storey, eleven-bay, terrace of five terraced houses. Red brick facades. Street paving runs directly to facades. Natural slate double pitched roof, stepped and with two gables to front. Four large red brick chimneys centrally positioned over the ridge. Paired painted timber brackets at eaves. Square-headed brick arched openings to ground and first floors; painted cream and black sections to the top part of gables that are above the half storey (top floor) windows. Façade window all with painted stone sills and two-over-two vertical sliding painted timber sash windows. At ground floor, six square-headed openings with doors of four-panels painted timber. Transom lights.

'1900. Architect: J Ballentine. A terrace of plain red-brick three-storey houses of reasonable appearance designed as a unit, with symmetrical gables over two [four] of the houses.'

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

## History

Site previously occupied by 4no. terraced buildings. The 1873 Ordnance Survey indicates the Town Clerk's Office immediately next to the Irish Society's Office at No.1 St Columb's Court.

## Owners/Tenants

2 St Columb's Court (No.1 pre-1900)

1879	William Bailey
1884	William Bailey
1889	William Bailey
1895	William Bailey
1909	S H Gransden
1918	S H Gransden
1927	William Walker
1941	William Walker
1949	Mary Elizabeth Walker

*1884-1949 Derry Almanac; 1879 Givven's Almanac; and others.*

### 3 St Columb's Court (No.2 pre 1900)

1876	James W Gregg, office
1879	B H Lane, office
1884	Benjamin H Lane (office)
1889	Benjamin H Lane (office)
1909	Miss Starritt
1918	Miss Starritt
1927	Miss Starritt
1941	James O.Boal
1949	Mary A Walker

*1876+1884-1949 Derry Almanac; 1879 Giveen's Almanac; and others.*

### 4 St Columb's Court (No.3 pre 1900)

1876	Mr P Ellis
1879	Mr P Ellis, railway engineer
1884	Church of Ireland Club
1889	Church of Ireland Club, James Laverty, caretaker
1895	Church of Ireland Club, Wm. McDonald, caretaker
1909	Miss Wood
1918	George N Wylie
1927	Mrs Wylie
1941	Mrs Helen Farmer
1949	Mrs Helen Farmer

*1876+1884-1949 Derry Almanac; 1879 Giveen's Almanac; and others.*

### 5 St Columb's Court (No.4 pre 1900)

1876	Samuel McDermott
1879	Andrew Einery
1884	Church of Ireland Club
1889	Church of Ireland Club, James Laverty, caretaker
1895	Church of Ireland Club, Wm. McDonald, caretaker
1909	Local office, Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children (James Wedlock, Inspector)
1918	Local office, Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children (James Wedlock, Inspector)
1927	Mrs Wedlock
1941	Mrs McGuinness
1949	James O. Boal

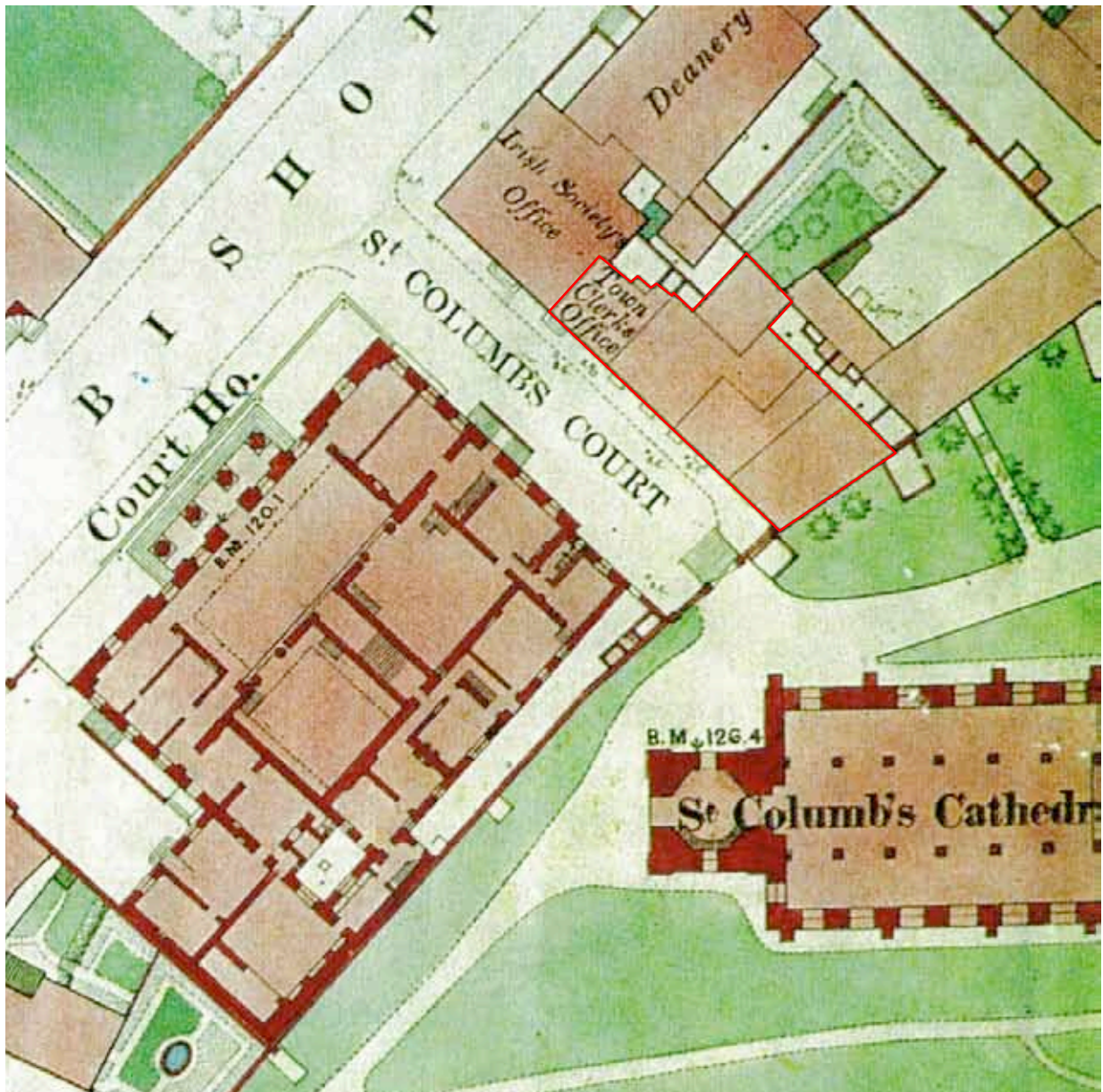
*1876+1884-1949 Derry Almanac; 1879 Giveen's Almanac; and others.*

### 6 St Columb's Court (No.5 pre 1900)

1876	Joseph Inch
1879	Wm. Stutt, French polisher
1884	Church of Ireland Club
1889	Church of Ireland Club, James Laverty, caretaker
1895	Church of Ireland Club, Wm. McDonald, caretaker
1909	Miss Galway
1918	Miss Galway
1927	Gerald Simpson
1941	Matilda Stewart
1949	Matilda Stewart

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**Archive Map**



*St Columb's Court. Ordnance Survey 1873, extract.*



<b>Address</b>	Music Room, St Columb's Court
<b>Name</b>	Cecil Francis Alexander Music room
<b>Map Reference</b>	SC2
<b>Plot Number</b>	7
<b>Listed Building Reference Grade</b>	no N/A N/A
<b>Conservation Area Reference</b>	Yes Historic City
<b>Building at Risk Reference</b>	no n/a
<b>Date of Construction</b>	circa 1833
<b>Original Use</b>	Outbuilding
<b>Present Use</b>	Music Room

### Description

Long and narrow, single storey building with semi-basement, accessed from St Columb's Cathedral Graveyard. Red brick frontage unto graveyard. Unpainted rendered gables with copings. Natural slate shallow double-pitched roof with one painted smooth rendered chimney centrally positioned over the ridge. Square-headed openings with rendered surrounds, also four slot openings. Casement windows and part glazed stained timber door. Approached via concrete steps metal handrail.

### History

Previously an ancillary building within the rear curtilage of the Deanery, built 1833. Now Music Room dedicated to the memory of Cecil Frances Alexander (1818 -1895). Polished granite plaque fixed to wall with inscription, 'The Cecil Frances Alexander Music Room, Inaugurated in her memory, 1981.'

Cecil Frances Alexander (1818 -1895) wife of Bishop Alexander, lived for a time at the Bishop's Palace, and wrote some of the most popular hymns in the English language. In 1848 she published 'Hymns for Little Children' which included the Christmas Carol 'Once in Royal David's City', the Easter verses 'There is a Green Hill Far Away' and 'All Things Bright and Beautiful'.

### Owners/Tenants

Cecil Francis Alexander Music Room

1981            Cecil Francis Alexander Music Room  
2012            Cecil Francis Alexander Music Room

Other sources.

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*Cecil Frances Alexander (1818 -1895)*



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