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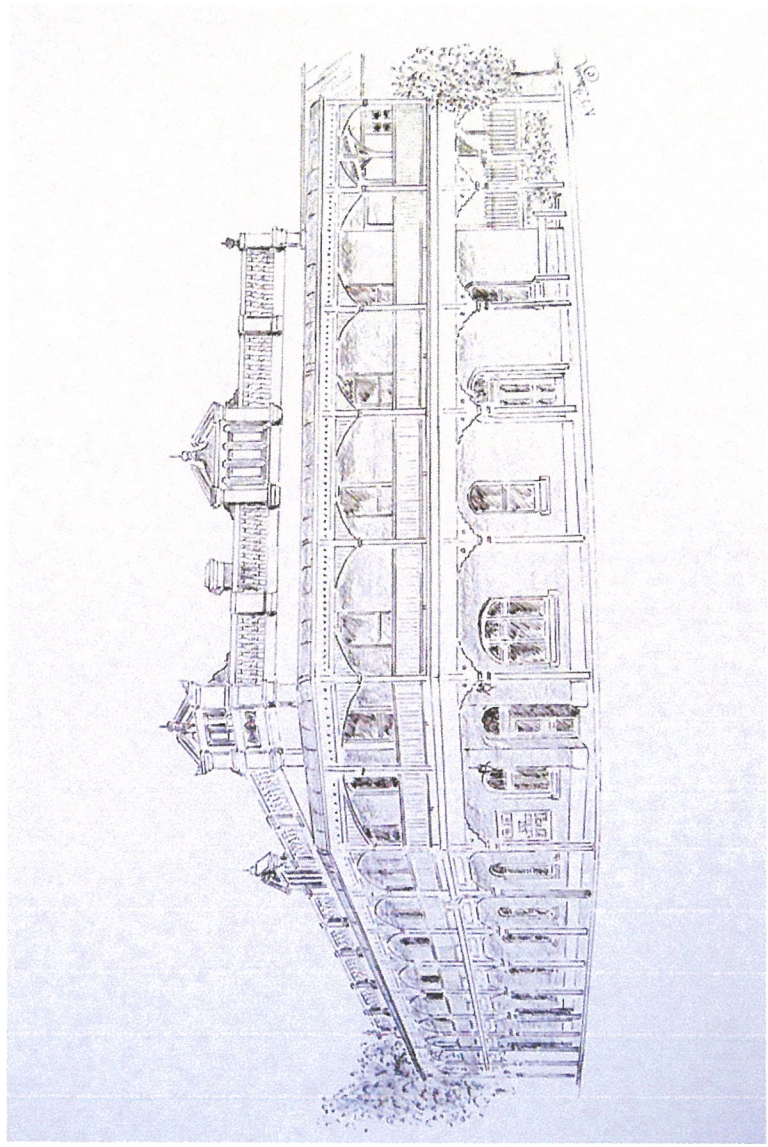
Originally the “Monger’s Hotel” stood on this site until it was sold to

Mr Samuel Smale Craig who in 1853 emigrated from Scotland.

In that same year Craig demolished the building and used “ticket of leave men” (Convicts)
To build an elegant Georgian two-storey style building, naming it “ The Castle”

Later in 1862 the Avon Terrace frontage was extended and again in 1905 the Federation
Style wing on South Street was built; in 1929 yet another extension down South Street
was completed.

This Establishment was in the Craig Family until 1990



~ Davies Building ~

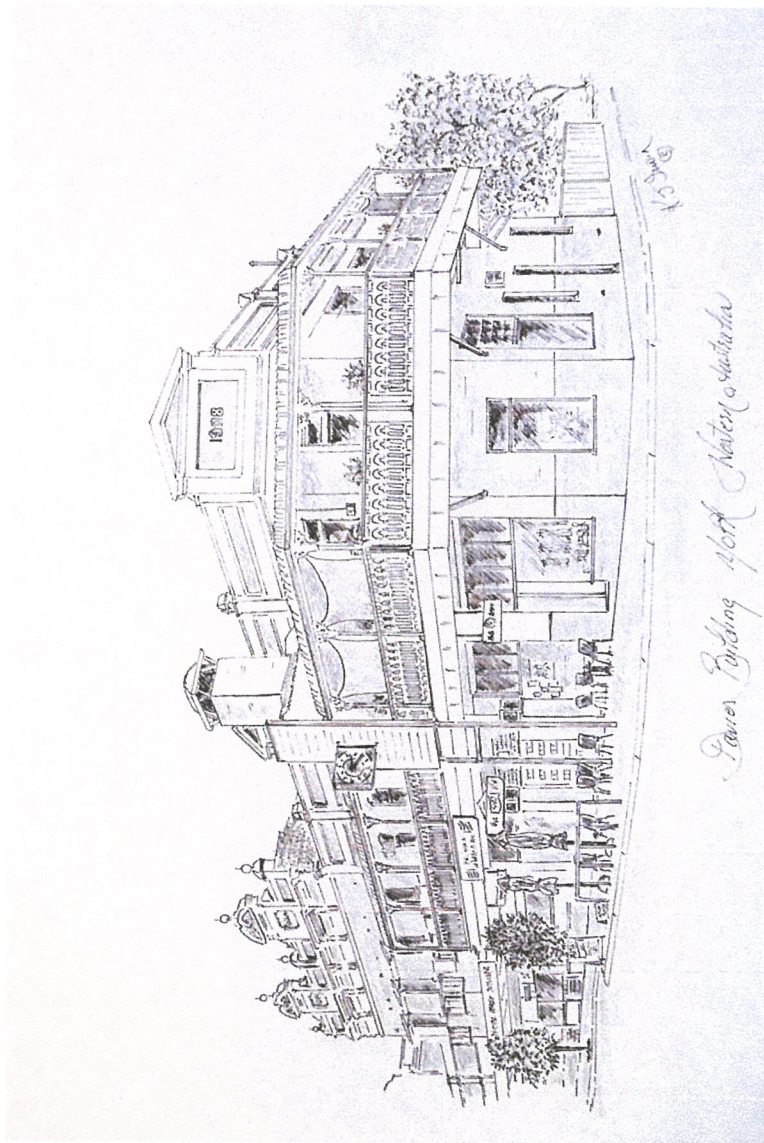
Built in 1908 for Mr. William Thomas Davies of York; originally for the purpose of selling their home grown produce. It was named "Garden Valley Fruit Palace" and contained tearooms; confectionary shop; and cake shop.

Behind the Davies building, a Mr. Kenworthy ran a Black-smithing shop and much later alongside the Davies Building, a Military Drill Hall.

Over the years there have been many and varied tenants.

In 1950, a two faced Westminster Chiming Clock was installed by Reg Mills and Bullock and Company at the cost of 1500 pounds.

Mrs Craig's borders of the Castle Hotel complained of the Chimes of the Clock so Mr Davies silenced the Chimes between 8pm and 8am each night.



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