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Logan House

The house pictured is said to be on King Street, and from town insurance maps, a building of matching shape is shown to be located on a lot, set back from King Street, between Phoenix and Dufferin Streets, on each of the 1906, 1924/1944, and 1955 insurance maps. Referred to as the Logan house, this was presumably the home of Robert A. Logan, a well known King Street merchant at the turn of the 20th century. What is known to be his business is shown at right, conveniently located.

The house itself was a masterpiece architecturally and quite well located to give an intimidating impression. The two large projections appear to be slightly incorrect copies of Lunenburg bumps, however the massing of two, two-storey bay windows on either side which continue up to the cornice makes the home look castle like, almost as with the Chateau style. The huge Scottish dormers – with huge windows - crown the house and give it an iconic look. The front door, with sidelights and a transom light, is crowned by a wide cornice, though the entrance is slightly recessed given the protrusion of the bay windows. The vertical is stressed in the home, adding to its tall height and its location on a hill, through the prominent cornice and the divisions between each storey on the bay window constructions. The triple window sandwiched between the two towers gives a vague impression of the type of architecture in England that was popular in the 16th century; the Tudor Revival style was just becoming

popular around when this house would have been built, so it may have been an attempt at a deliberate stylistic impression.

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