

**Address:** 55 Daly Avenue



**Legal Description:** Part of Lot 24, Plan 74

**Designation By-law:** 148-92

**By-Law Designation Date:** November 23, 1992

**Date of Construction:** 1874

**Architectural Style:** Gothic revival

**Architectural Description:** One and one half storey ell shaped house with a gable roof; it was a frame house with clapboards that was covered in stucco; first floor; open porch at the left of the house with a nearly flat roof supported by square posts; one two over two paned window with a pediment at the top; the entrance door has shaped glass side lights and wood panels below them and a transom consisting of larger centre glass window with a smaller window on either side; a decorative wooden scroll work is over the door; the projecting gable on the right has two two over two paned windows with a pediment on the top; the second floor has two identical windows under the peak that has a finial on the roof; there is a single window under the peak at the left; with small balcony has a railing around it.

The house was built by Joseph Rankin. From 1878 to 1900, banker William Mowat lived here. Later Mowat became editor of the Beacon, Stratford's first newspaper.