

Plummer Homestead, Patetonga



Location: 258 Top Road, Patetonga

Heritage Status

Historic Places Trust Registration Number:

Historic Places Trust Category:

HDC Heritage Category: **B** - Heritage Feature. Regional or Sub-Regional Significance

Other:

Physical Description: Five bedroom return bay gabled villa with pyramid roof. Includes a drawing room, living room and inside toilet. Built for the Scotcher Family (George and Hilda Scotcher), early settlers in the region who ran the local flaxmill. Their daughter Florence married Frank Plummer, and the house was owned by the Plummer family for over 100 years.

Other known names: Scotcher Homestead, Malyon Homestead

Notable features: Original roofing iron brought out from England. Northland kauri and kahikatea timber construction.

Style: Edwardian Return Bay Villa with pyramid roof

Materials: Northland kauri, kahikatea, corrugated iron roof imported from England

District Plan Schedule

Number: **HAU161**

Heritage Category: **B**

Heritage Type:

- Wahi Tapu
- Cultural Landscape
- Building
- Group of Buildings
- Structure
- Monument
- Historic Place
- Archaeological Site
- Other

Date Period:

1881-1910

Significance:

- Archaeological
- Architectural
- Cultural
- Historic
- Scientific
- Technological

Thematic Context

- Maori
- Early Settlement
- Industry
- Extraction
- Forestry
- Agriculture
- Transport
- Communication
- Commerce
- Residential
- Social/Cultural
- Civic
- Health
- Educational
- Church/yard
- Other

Historic Heritage Inventory



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Date of Construction: 1903

History: Built in 1903 for George and Hilda Scotcher. George Scotcher was the manager of seven flaxmills in the North Island. It cost 600 pounds and took one year to build. Kauri timber used in its construction was shipped down from Auckland via the Patetonga wharf.

There were gardens, a tennis court and stables around the house.

Florence Scotcher, daughter of George, married Frank Plummer, a farm worker from Tapu.

Architect:

Designer:

Builder: Mr. Cashen

Engineer:

History of changes: Kitchen remodelled. Scrim walls likely to have been overlain by modern materials.

Condition: Good

Integrity: Substantially intact

Current Uses: Residential

Former Uses:

Registered owner: W & S Shelley

Legal Description: Lot 2 DP 367838

Reference Source: *Plains Profile* (March 2006 p.9); G. Townshend (Pers Comm.)

Associated Pictures: