

McIntyre House
1017 Isabella Street East



Year Built: 1877

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Description:

The McIntyre House is the oldest remaining historic house in Thunder Bay. It is the only surviving house from the original community “on the river”. The house was built in 1879 and called “Glenarchy”. It served as the retirement home for John McIntyre the last Chief-Factor of the Hudson’s Bay Post at Fort William. The original location of the house was on the Kaministiquia River close to the present site of the Thunder Bay Rowing Club. The house was moved to its present site at 1017 Isabella Street in the winter of 1907-08.

It is a Victorian style frame house placed on a stone foundation which extends 5 1/2 to 7 inches beyond the frame construction. The exterior walls were insulated with sand the probable reason being to make the walls bullet proof, as the house was situated near the fort.