

4110-4112-4114 Sainte-Catherine Street West

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North (Front) Façade



West Façade Facing Gladstone Avenue



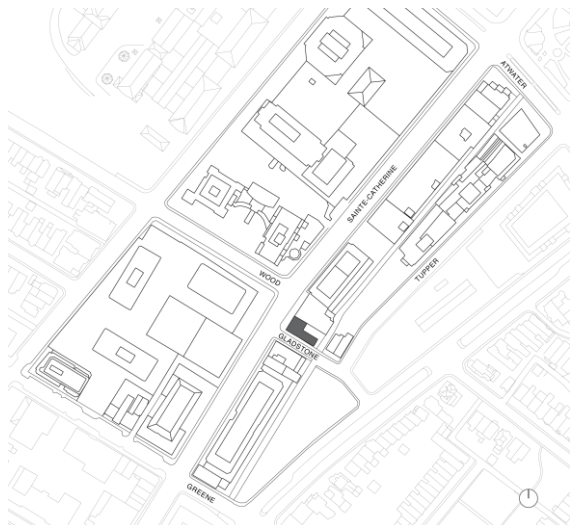
South Façade (partial)



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West Façade Showing Traces of Alterations



Key Plan

<p>Description</p>	<p>This is an ensemble of two laterally joined buildings. Each is a three-storey commercial and residential building, designed in the neoclassical style. Completed around 1900, each buildings was purpose-built to house a store on the ground floor and apartments on the second and third floors. A 1961 insurance map refers to their name as Deronda Apartments.</p> <p>The expansion of the village of Côte Sainte-Antoine began few years after the Confederation in 1867 with the establishment of many immigrants of Scottish and British origin. The growth of its population accelerated drastically at the very end of the 19th century and at the beginning of the 20th century. The village of Côte Sainte-Antoine became the city of Westmount in 1895. New buildings were being built mostly in the southern part along Sainte-Catherine street. The building at 4110/4112/4114 Saint-Catherine Street west was built during this early period of growth and is one of the oldest on the street. In addition, its typology is resolutely urban, which corresponds to the transformation of a village into a city at the turn of the 20th century. The use of stone for the north façade and brick for the west demonstrates the relative importance of the two streets which the building addresses.</p> <p>The building on the east side has a conventional arrangement in plan. One can access the second and third levels by entering a door located on Sainte-Catherine Street , right beside the entrance of the store. The building on the west side is not identically planned. It was ingeniously designed to fit a larger number of apartments. The ground level can be accessed from the door on Sainte-Catherine Street; the apartments are accessible through a door on Gladstone Avenue. In this way it was possible to fit two apartments on each floor instead of only one.</p>
<p>Heritage Values</p>	<p>Historical Values: 4110-4114 Ste-Catherine Street is linked to the first development of Ste-Catherine Street in Westmount at the beginning of the 20th century. It is typical of the first type of construction along this portion of the street: a building with commercial space on the ground floor and apartments on the upper floors.</p> <p>Environmental Values: The siting of 4026-4032 Ste-Catherine Street speaks to its commercial vocation, and contributes to the streetscape.</p>
<p>Heritage Character Defining Elements</p>	<p>The key elements which contribute to the heritage character of this site are as follows:</p> <p><u>Setting:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Buildings face Sainte-Catherine Street with no setbacks, referencing the commercial character of its ground level - Hierarchy of the facades: the front façade facing Sainte-Catherine Street is articulated, the one facing Gladstone Avenue is modestly articulated and the one facing the lane is not. <p><u>Exterior:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Montreal grey limestone with ashlar finish: for the ground floor Doric pilasters and cornice; and for the walls of the two upper storeys of the front façade; - Windows arrangement: large ones at street level and smaller ones on the upper storeys - Symmetry of the front facade

Date of Construction	Unknown (around 1900)
Persons of Significance	Architect: Unknown
Stylistic Influences	Neoclassicism
Building	
<i>Number of stories</i>	3
<i>Plan/Footprint</i>	L-shaped: 13 metres wide (Sainte-Catherine) by 26 metres long (Gladstone) or by 12 metres long (laterally joined sides)
<i>Height</i>	12 metres
Architectural Elements	
<i>Foundations</i>	Montreal grey limestone
<i>Walls</i>	The front north façade is articulated. The south façade is secondary. The east and west facades are party walls. Front façade: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ground floor base: Montreal grey limestone (ashlar finish) pilasters - Upper storeys: Montreal grey limestone ashlar finish Rear façade: Red clay brick, American bond Side façade (facing Gladstone): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lower part: Montreal grey limestone pilasters (not original) - Upper part: Red Clay brick
<i>Roof</i>	Flat roof covered with tar and gravel
<i>Windows</i>	Double hung windows (not original): black painted aluminum frame and sashes Large shop windows at ground level facing Sainte-Catherine street Large shop windows at ground level facing Gladstone street (non-original)
<i>Others (entrance, porch, chimneys...)</i>	Montreal grey limestone cornice
<i>Construction Methods</i>	Load-bearing brick walls
Composition	Symmetrical façade facing Sainte-Catherine Street
Context <i>(setbacks, surroundings, landscape, landmark status)</i>	No setbacks. The building is in line with the sidewalk of Sainte-Catherine Street and with the sidewalk on Gladstone Avenue. The façade is in continuity with the facades of the buildings on the east side. The rear of the buildings faces a lane.
Additions/Alterations	1920: Alterations to the top floor of the building at 4114 Sainte-Catherine Street west for Mr C.H. Goderey by W.G. Wright Architect. 1920: Ground floor alterations for Mr C.H. Goderey by W.G. Wright Architect. 1953: Alterations for E. Lauzon by M.J. Mendelssohn Architect 1982: Exterior façade restoration by Imbleau Skaff and Associates Eng. and Bernard McNamara Architect 1983: Demolition of the east shed behind the 4112 Saint-Catherine west
Integrity	Front Façade: High. The front façade retains most of its original qualities. West Façade: Medium. The façade facing Gladstone Avenue has been modified by the addition of large windows at ground level.

Historical Images



Front façade Facing Sainte-Catherine Street
1985

Source: Westmount City Hall



Portion of the Façade Facing Gladstone Avenue
1983

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