

Canadian Pacific Railway Train Station

132 Miguel Street

Lots 1 to Lot 5, Plan 98

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This C.P.R. Station was constructed in 1921-22 to the designs of the C.P.R Chief Engineer's office in Montreal. The contractor was Sullivan & Son of Arnprior. It served both freight and passenger traffic between Montreal, Ottawa, and points west. Passenger service was interrupted in the early 1970s and discontinued in 1989. The station became redundant when tracks between Ottawa and Carleton Place were removed in 1990.

The building of an improved C.P.R. facility in Carleton Place was delayed by the war but the appointment of Carleton Place native D' Alton Coleman as C.P.R. Vice-President, the C.P.R. built this station. It is the only remaining of seven stone C.P.R. stations in the Upper Ottawa Valley. The nearby roundhouse and railway shops on the main line, and the adjacent homes fashioned from earlier hotels, boarding houses, and tenement terraces, maintain the fabric of the station's historical setting.

The exterior of the building is defined by the long, low stone walls and deep-set openings beneath a distinctive broad hip roof with broadly flared eaves. This exterior has survived relatively intact. The roof retains its form with a dominant central hip, offset brick chimney, smaller west extension and the detailing of the deep eaves, with their tongue-and-groove soffits and elegant shallow brackets. The masonry is a dressed and coursed limestone with contrasting darker stone for the base courses and the window quins. The horizontal effect is reinforced by projecting drip courses defining the base, and by the deepness of the window and door recesses with their continuous lintel heights.