restoration architect, "as found drawings" were made, exact measured plans of the house with notations of obvious alterations (kitchen, bathroom, etc). Holes were cut into the walls and ceilings to uncover doorways and stove holes which had been blocked off.

In the backyard, an archaeologist investigated the probable location of a two storey wooden barn, a chicken coop, the privy and the fences. The foundations of the barn were uncovered in the north-west corner of the property, but because of the soil, traces of the other structures had disappeared.

From all this evidence, a structural history of the house was compiled. The few major alterations to the structure of the house reflected the changing expectations of society over the last century --- indoor plumbing, electrical lighting and central heating.

On the outside, the fences and outbuildings had been removed. Four of the five chimneys on the roof had been removed when radiators replaced stoves as the source of heat. The roof had been reshingled in asphalt. The large verandah was replaced by a smaller enclosed porch in the 1950's. An exterior chimney for the fireplace in the parlour (installed in the 1920's) ran up the south-west corner of the building. A door leading from the dining room to the outside had been blocked up.

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