List of Owners of the Heatley Block Property from Crown to Present

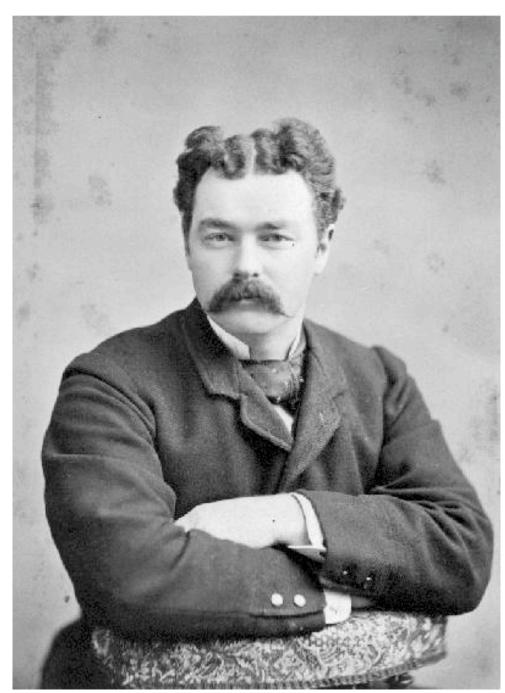
Legal Description

Lots 14-15

Block 68, District Lot 196

Lot 16

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Dennis Reginald Harris was the first owner of the land the Heatley Block would be built on. Harris, after whom Harris (now East Georgia) Street was named, was the son in law of Sir James Douglas and one of the members of the Vancouver Improvement Company.

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1889	To May 1889 the land was owned by Dennis Reginald Harris ¹ , when it was bough by Charles C. Park ²			
1890	In September 1890, the property was bought by Andrew Thomas ³			
1898	Note: It is assumed that Andrew Thomas continued to own Lots 14 and 15 before it was bought by grocer Christopher W. Ford. Andrew Thomas did not live in Vancouver.	William Cameron McCord buys Lot 1 and builds a house there		
1903		Rose Alice Rogerson buys Lot 16		
1906		On January 3, 1906 Rose Alice Rogerson sells Lot 16 to Christophe W. Ford and Henry Bernice Ford ⁴		

¹ Dennis Reginald Harris (1851-1932) was a shareholder in the Vancouver Improvement Company, one of the early major landholders in the East End. Harris' name appears in the first Vancouver Voters List of 1886. He was born at Winchester, Hampshire, England, the fourth son of Captain William Charles Harris, Assistant Commissioner of Police in London, England. Dennis was educated in England and came to Canada as a young man in 1868, and worked for the CPR as Civil Engineer, surveying prior to construction. He also surveyed the Alaska border. On March 30, 1878 Harris married Martha Douglas, the daughter of Sir James Douglas and Lady Douglas in Victoria. Harris later became a city engineer for Victoria, 1884-6, and was involved in real estate. In 1896 he was elected President of the BC Stock Exchange. East Georgia was named Harris Street after him up until 1915 when the Georgia Viaduct linked Georgia Street in the West End with Harris Street.

² In 1889, the year that Charles C. Park bought Lots 14, 15 and 16 of Block 68 of District Lot 196, he lived at 721 Westminster Avenue (now the west side of the 700-block of Main Street). In 1889 he is listed as a carpenter. Charles C. Park disappears from the Vancouver directories from 1890 to 1892 but reappears in 1893, this time at 659 Harris (now East Georgia) Street) working as a commission Agent. By 1894, he and his family had moved to 326 Princess (now East Pender) Street but was still listed as a commission agent. By 1895, Charles Park and his family were living at 232 Keefer Street where they stayed until 1899-1900. The 1895 directory lists C. C. Park as a dealer in patents. From 1896 onward, though, he is listed as a police Constable, and in 1899 specifically as a police patrolman. There is an 1899 picture of Charles C. Park in uniform with his bicycle on patrol in Stanley Park at the City of Vancouver Archives. The photo code is **CVA 480-74**. By 1900, Charles C. Park and his family had moved to 306 East 6th Avenue. According to the 1901 census, Charles C. Park was born in rural Ontario on May 25, 1858. He was a policeman and professed no religion. His wife, Elizabeth "Lizzie" I. Park, was born in January 16, 1861 and came to Canada in 1888. She was Baptist. They had two children. Their daughter, Ina Belle Park, was born in the US on October 22, 1882. Their son, Charles G. Park, was born in BC Jan 11, 1900. Nothing much more is known about Charles C. Park and his family. They are not listed in any of the other BC Archives Vital Events listings so they must have left BC.

³ Since Andrew Thomas does not appear in the city directory listings for the time that he is supposed to have owned the three lots where the Heatley Block now stands, it is almost impossible to know if he is any of the Andrew Thomases listed in the BC Archives Vital Event Listings. There is no Andrew Thomas listed as living in Victoria or New Westminster at the time either. He may have lived elsewhere in Bc or may even have been an out of province owner.

⁴ When Rose Alice Rogerson sold Lot 16 to Christopher W. Ford and Henry Bernice Ford, Christopher was living in Vancouver at 668 East Hastings and Henry was living near Bouck Hill in what is now South Dundas Township in Ontario.

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1910		March 4, 1910 Henry B. Ford sells his ½ interest Lot 16 to Christopher W. Ford f \$7500.00 making him the sole own
1914	September 8, 1914 Grant Vernon Smyth Ford	Christopher W. Ford
	June 5 th 1919, Richard Marpole ⁵ buys all three lots	
1919	Richard Marpole ³ buys all three lots	

⁵ Richard Marpole was the general superintendent and executive assistant of the Pacific Division of the CPR. Marpole was manager of the CPR when the first passenger trains crossed Canada and was responsible for the CPR being the first in North America to prepare time tables using the 24 hour system. Marpole and Marpole Avenue in Vancouver are named after him. Richard Marpole died in Vancouver on June 8, 1920 leaving the three lots which would become the Heatley Block to his son, Richard Frederick Marpole.

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1920

December 3, 1920 The Royal Trust Company and Richard Frederick Marpole⁶ (in trust 10443)



City of Vancouver Archives Photo Port P1187 showing Richard Frederick Marpole (seated fourth from left) and Richard Marpole at a "banquet for leading citizens at the Vancouver Club"

⁶ Richard Frederick Marpole was born in Kamloops on September 27, 1887, the son of Richard Marpole and Emmeline Roach. Richard Frederick Marpole had one of the last steam powered ships built in British Columbia, a tugboat called the R.F.M., named after him. Richard Frederick Marpole died in Vancouver on March 30, 1947 at the age of 49.

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1930	September 13, 1930 Samuel Plastino buys the property			
1938	July 7, 1938 Albert Cerles and Adrienne Cerles \$19,000			
1943	July 18, 1943 Doris Berg (wife of Samuel Berg of 1546 West 12 th Avenue) buys the Heatley Block Property			
1948	June 10, 1948 Pietro Lazzarotto and Angelina Lazzarotto Buy the property			
1948	On October 6, 1948 the London Life Insurance Company became owners of the house for \$12,000.			
1957	April 4, 1957 Bought by Paul Chubocha and Annie Chubocha of 575 East Pender			
1958	July 30, 1959 ½ Interest bought by Honnam Holdings Ltd. 1012 Royal Bank bilding 675 West Hastings			
1960	Februar Bought by Hon 1012 Royal	y 24, 1960 nam Holdings Ltd. Bank Building st Hastings		
2007	June of 2007 Bought by City of Vancouver (577069 B.C. Ltd.)			