## BUILDERS

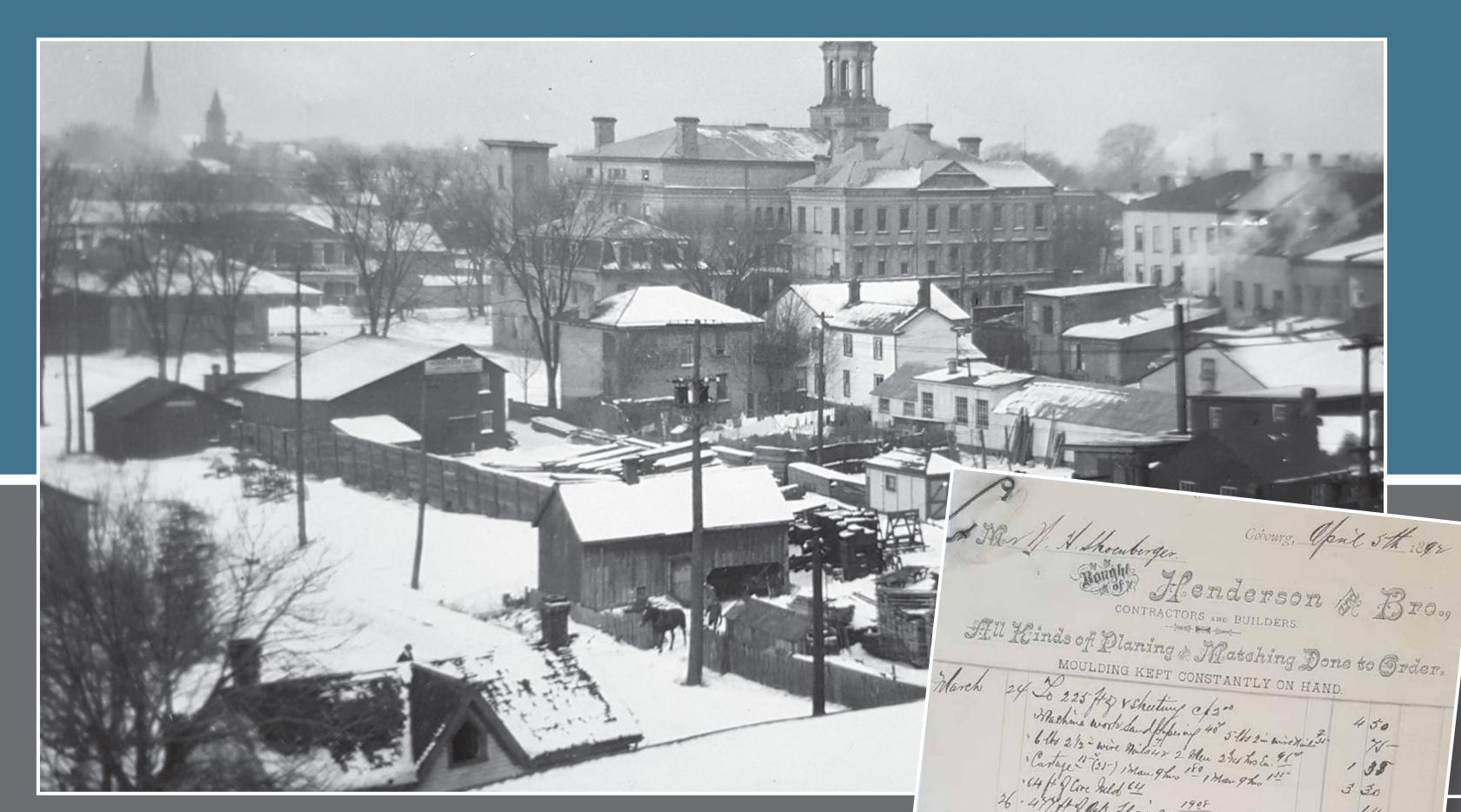
## HENDERSON BROTHERS

Cobourg's built heritage is the work of many builders over its 220 year history.

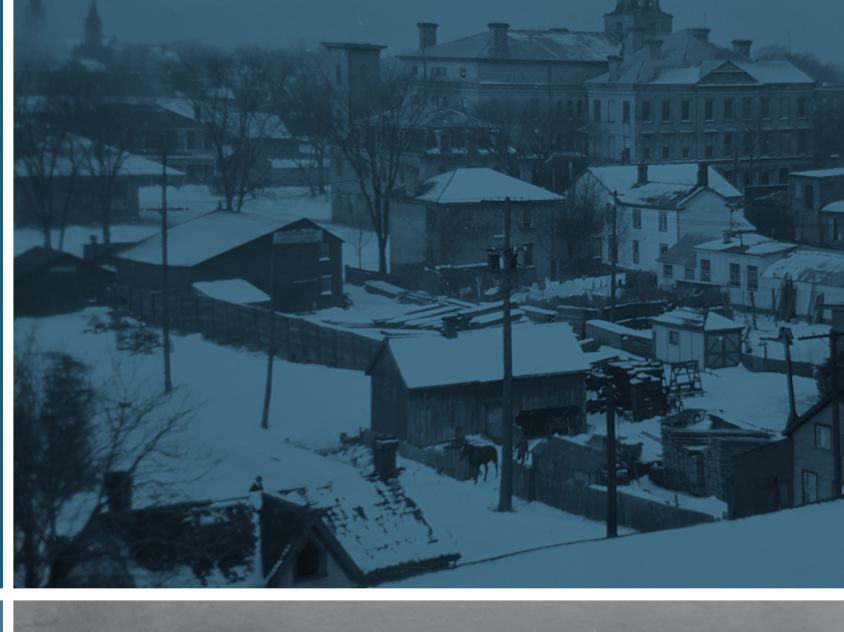
The Burnett Brothers, Samuel Retallick, three generations of the Jex family, the Henderson Brothers, Reuben Jackson and his son Charles, and Richard Lovekin are some of the men whose contribution is all around us.

The Henderson family was central to the building trades during a period of active building, the 1850s-1920s.

Arriving from Ireland in 1848, William Henderson set up shop behind his house at 326 George St. His carpenter's shop grew into a business known as Henderson Brothers Planing Mill in the middle of town. His sons employed thirty-five men to supply mill-work to local builders - doors, windows, mouldings.



Look closely to see lumber piled up in the Henderson Brothers yard, south-east of Victoria Hall (in what is now a parking lot), 1920s.





John Henderson was a Cobourg councillor in 1893-95. His own house at 410 Division St., built in 1902, displays his decorative woodwork. It was built by Jex & Company, a firm that the Hendersons collaborated with.

The bill for floor boards, nails etc, used in an extension built onto the Schoenberger family's summer house in 1892. Balmuto (now replaced by an apartment building of the same name) once stood at 230 King St East.

