

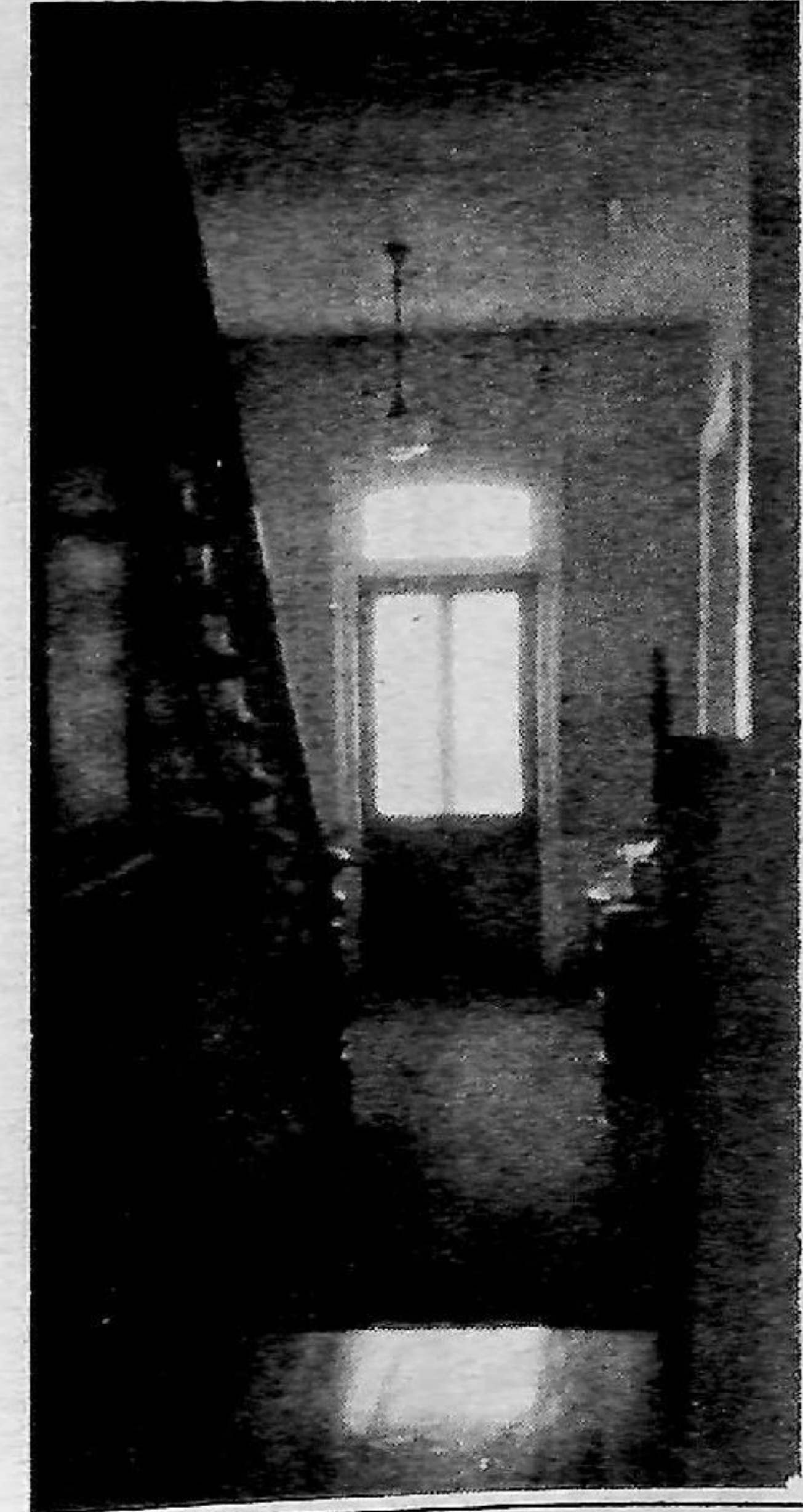


In the late 1800s, the Oriental Hotel (left) was a local hot spot. The building has undergone some modification but retains much of the old atmosphere. The hallway (bottom left) has changed little since it greeted weary travelers. The kitchen stove (below) is one of many original features.

# Former hotel is a little piece of local history

(MC) A Castleton property offers a unique business opportunity.

The former Oriental Hotel is for sale in the heart of the hamlet. This century old building still maintains much of the rustic look and feel of hotels in that era. Although much of the building has either been well maintained or restored, there are still rooms in need of some further work.



The parlor room where guests were entertained at special functions is still largely intact. There is also the provisions for a bar and entertainment room on the first floor.

Many of the items contained in this building are original. There are some furniture pieces which were original. Some walls are covered by paper which was bought new at the turn of the century.

Upstairs, there are 10 rooms. Some are separate while others join onto larger rooms. There are functioning bedrooms and studies. There is also an open entertainment room where ladies of the bygone era entertained themselves while their husbands were downstairs at the bar, playing cards.

There are many opportunities that this symbol of our past can present, today. It is well suited to become a family home – though large for a small family. It is ideal for a bed and breakfast establishment or perhaps an antique dealership. There are many possibilities.

Architecturally, the building has changed little since it was first built. Although modern siding has been added, the original clapboard siding still exists underneath. The original flat roof has been replaced with a hip roof and a small walk-out on the second floor has been converted to an enclosed porch.

It is open for immediate possession through Barry Simpson Real Estate. For further information, or to view the historic old structure, contact Barry Simpson at 475-3333.

