

HOSKINS STREET

In 1892 John Meagher & Co opened their new brick department store in Hoskins Street with a “silver service” banquet. The economic prosperity of the district, early in the twentieth century, encouraged the firm to extend to adjoin the Royal Hotel.



Small's Royal Hotel



Tucker's Butcher's shop at 228-230 Hoskins Street



Ern Allen's Hairdressing
250 Hoskins Street

Among the many “identities” of early Temora was Thomas Easterbrook Tucker, local butcher and Borough Councillor. Establishing his first butcher shop in the opening days of the goldfield, he was prominent in community affairs until his death in 1900.



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Christopher Gelling established himself as a general produce merchant at Temora in 1880, later trading as "Gelling & Sons".



Hoskins Street in 1915



After arriving in Temora in 1891, James Thom commenced business as a general merchant.

The fine store he built in Hoskins Street was destroyed by fire in 1926, shortly after his death. His widow commissioned the present building which was conducted by their son, also James Thom, until the business was sold to John Meagher & Co.



James Thom sen. was a prominent townsman, an alderman, and Mayor of Temora for a total of seven years.

