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In 1996 I was given a tour of the old Stockdale place by the present owner Toni Spiers. She acquired the property in 1967 from a buffalo professor by the name of Kirk, She had her home here and a hairdressing parlor, later in 1977 a ladies Botique selling clothes and under clothing. The home had been owned by a club known as the Orials and gambling was carried on upstairs. It stood empty for a number of years and deteriorated a great deal. Water leaked from the copula down to the plaster ceiling in the living room and also down the side wall to the foundation. The copula was long gone and the stairs to it. The woodwork had been painted a deep shade of red by Mr. Kirk, and he apparently thought little of the historical trappings of the old home. To suit the home to her place of business Toni began many alterations. The home was originally heated by stoves, and the only fireplace was in the kitchen with bake oven. This section made of wood was demolished sometime in the mid thirties. At one time a summer kitchen stood in the back yard. The living room ceiling were almost twelve ft. and decorated with plaster molding. She had these lowered because of their condition and to save on heating. A furnace was put in and the basement floor which was dirt was cement over. The foundation is 2 f.t thick and large beams support the floor.

The pantry that had an entrance from the dining-room was converted to a bathroom, entered from the hall. The wall of the hall was opened somewhat giving a view of the living room. A brick fireplace was added to the west wall. Under the stairs Toni added a storage area. The stairs running along the east wall were very narrow and steep almost at a 45 angle. They are spindle and rail. Upstairs they ran completely around,, however those at the front had deteriorated so badly that section had to be replaced by a wall. The two front bedrooms were opened into one.

The cellar stairs are reached off the dining room by the door leading to the yard on the west side. They are very wide but have no rail. The two windows on the east side had to be replaced because of rotting sills.

these are some of the many changes to the old home. Except for the missing copula, the verandah and the kitchen, the two windows which were unfortunately squared off are the only changes to the outward appearance.

this information was supplied by Toni Spiers owner and verified by the tour she gave me, Feb . 1996.

LOT 4:5: 6: 7; north side of Princess St. Fort Erie:::
as recorded on the Douglas & Wm. Wallace Plan
1857.

building on said property known as the "Earp House": the Rose Home:
and "The Erie Lane" House. Feb 19-1872 Doc. To EARP \$1,500.00

1873 May 28th.	Lots 4:5:6:7: from John Douglas to Charles Edward Herbert Earp. (It was no doubt at this time that the present building known as the Erie Lane House was constructed).
1875 July	Charles E.H.Earp & wife Jennette to JEWETT COMPANY Sherman S. Jewett Pres. Henry Jewett Robert Keating Charles Earp & wife Jennette
1875 April 13.	Sherman S. Jewette pres. Frances H. Robert
1885	Frances H. Robert to Abraham Heaslip
1886	Abraham Heaslip widower to Alice J. Darling
1889	Alice J. darling to Mary E. Clark
1890	Mary E. Clark to Emos Gould
1890	Emos Gould to A.W. Heckman
1891	Arthur W. heckman to Wm. H. davis
1892	Wm. H. davis to Oliver W. Day
1892	Oliver W. Day to W. Caryl Earp & Julia E. chulums
1892	Julia (Chulums)Spencer to Oliver Day
1893	Oliver Day to Wm. H. Davis
1900	Wm. H. davis to Caroline W. Bohrumiss
1901	Caroline Bohrumiss to Walter G. hopkins
1902	Walter G. Hopkins to George Henry
1908	George Henry to Orin E. Foster
1908	Orin E. Foster to R. T. Booth & Company
1912	R.T. Booth & Comp. to Arthur Rose
1928	Arthur C, Rose to Howard Meyer
1936	Howard Meyer to The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie Tax Leen \$19.295.33

Lot No. 4: 5: 6: & 7; north side of Princess ST. Fort Erie

1936::: In this year the four lots went to the Town Of Fort Erie for back taxes; but were split up when A Mrs. Robina White took over 5, 6, & 7 : leaving lot no. 4 with the Town till 1947.

1936; lot 4: Town of Fort Erie;

1947: ANNIE HUNT PURCHASED & RAN ERIE LANE HOTEL

1937: lots 5,6 7;

Jan.

Town of Fort Erie to Robina White

1942: march 5th. lots 5:6:7:

Robina White to Annie Hunt

1945 May: lots 5:6:7;

Annie Hunt to Frank J. Mosich
& Nicholis Mosich

1946

Frank J. Mosich to Wm. Wladyka
& wife & Nicholis & Morris Rozko
Mosich

1948: lot 4; Harry Lewis to Wm. Wladyka & Wife Morris Rozko

1948: By this year all the original lots 4: 5: 6: 7: were then in the hands of William Wladyka & wife and Morris Rozko.

1948 Wm. Wladya wife & to Helen Payne & Kathleen O'Donnell
June: Morris Rozko

1949 Helen Payne & Kathleen to John Armstrong & Theodore A Kieswetter
(O'Donnell) Fedorsyn as joint tenants.

1953 John F. armstrong & wife to Stanley Gasewiz & wife Anna Gasewiz.
Lilian Kieswetter

1957 Stanley Gasewiz & wife to Philip Soroka & wife Mary
Anna as joint tenants.

1961 Philip Soroka & wife to Michael Yakiwchuch & wife Anna
mary

1968 Treasurer of Ontario to Estate of Anna Yakiwchuch

1968 Michael Yakiwchuch to Erie Lane House
widower

1969 Erie Lane House to Walter Stevens & Howard E. Wills
as partnership of property

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