



Ottawa House

602 Water Street
1882, False Front



During the mid- to late-1800s, numerous saloons and rooming houses on Water Street catered to lumber mill workers and steamboat passengers. The Ottawa House was a combination saloon and residence constructed after the 1882 fire which destroyed many of the structures in the commercial Water Street District. Among its recorded owners are Napoleon Lalonde (1885) and Leon Perrier (1898), suggesting a connection with the French-Canadian population that worked in the large mills nearby.