

**11 PIONEER ROW OR 8 UPPER ROW  
OR 23 PENSIONERS COTTAGE ALLOTMENTS; SHAMROCK HOTEL  
NOW 10 PIONEER ROW**

The original house on this site was one of the original *“two roomed kit houses worth £50 each”* that were shipped down on board the *Victory* which arrived in Stanley 13 October 1849. Eighteen cottages were built on Pioneer Row (or *Upper Row as it was originally called and Upper Pensioners Row in the latter part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century*) for the military pensioners who also arrived on the same ship. This house was originally 8 Upper Row and was allotted to **Patrick FLEMING**, a private and military pensioner from Ireland, who had arrived with his family 13 October 1849 on board the *Victory*.

On 1 August 1856 Crown Grant 120 was issued to **Ellen FLEMING** as the widow of **Patrick FLEMING** who had died 29 July 1853, for his services performed, being Pensioners Cottage Allotments 23 containing 24 poles and measuring 60 links x 250 links. [CG 120]

**Ellen FLEMING** was married to **Joseph William Watson HAIGH**, a widower living at Hope Place, Lafonia, 7 October 1857. On 28 February 1861 Ellen, age 44 and a native of Tullamore, Ireland, was murdered by her husband striking her on the head with an iron bar. Joseph was confined to gaol as a criminal lunatic for her murder.



**1863 – Seventh house from the left (behind the mast), top row**

On 1 February 1884 Ellen's eldest child, **Mary Ann BIGGS** of Stanley, granted to **Mary DOOLAN**, publican of Stanley, No 23 Pensioners Cottage Allotments containing 24 poles "Together with the Dwelling House and all other erections thereon" for £100. [BUG-REG-3; 185]

**Mary DOOLAN**, a widow and publican, was married to **Willem JURGENS** 16 June 1884 and on 1 September 1884 Willem signed an agreement relinquishing all claim to any monies or property which belonged to Mary previous to their marriage. [BUG-REG-3; 219]

Mary also owned 7 Upper Row or 24 Pensioners Cottage Allotments and the block of buildings were known as the Shamrock Hotel; which had a pensioners cottage attached to its west end.

On 6 December 1889 **Mrs Mary JERGENS** of Stanley, sole owner and proprietress of the block of buildings known as the Shamrock Hotel, agreed with **Casimira PINAZO** as follows:

**Clause 1** *Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Sixty pounds (£60) sterling paid to the said Mrs Mary Jergens by the said Casimira Pinazo that Mrs Mary Jergens do rent with the goodwill and license also all the furniture and other requisites for carrying on the business for a term of six months the said premises known as the Shamrock Hotel the said term to commence on the Sixth day of December 1889 and end on the Fifth day of May 1890 inclusive.*

**Clause II** *That all liquors and small stores on the premises on the above named date be taken over by the said Casimira Pinazo at the store valuation subject to 5% discount, and at the end of the term if the said Casimira Pinazo wishes to remain in possession for a longer period he shall have the right to do so or retire as the case maybe, and in the case of retirement then the liquors and stores remaining on hand to be taken over by the proprietress in the same manner as aforesaid.*

**Clause III** *In case the said Casimira Pinazo wishes to renew his tenancy at the expiration of the six months then a further agreement for a term of years shall be entered into in consideration of the said Casimira Pinazo paying over as a whole the sum of Three hundred and fifty pounds sterling of which the former mentioned sum of sixty pounds and the total valuation of liquors and stores shall form part, for the goodwill furniture and License of the said property also that the said Casimira Pinazo shall pay a rent of £5 Five pounds monthly to the said proprietress or whoever may be duly appointed to receive the same to commence on the expiration of the Six months tenancy.*

**Clause IV** *All necessary repairs to be at the expense of the proprietress who for her sole use and behalf shall retain the end cottage and garden which shall in no way interfere with the carrying on of the Hotel business in which the said Casimira Pinazo shall have the sole and independent agency thereof.*

**Clause V** *In case of the death of either of the parties signing this agreement it shall in no way effect the spirit of the same so far as the heir or heirs at law are concerned, further more that the said Casimira Pinazo shall pay the License when due which shall also be taken out in his name but he shall not be responsible for the whole term if he vacates the tenancy at the end of the six months." [BUG-REG-3; 159]*

**Mary JERGENS** died 26 October 1899 at Gallegos Chio, Patagonia and on 6 August 1890 her eldest son, **John BEAN** of Punta Arenas, leased the Shamrock Hotel to Casimiro for four years at an annual rental of £60 with a right of renewal and sold the furniture and goodwill to him for £350. [BUG-REG-4; 199]

In 1891, for tax purposes, the Pensioners Cottage was valued at £15 and the Shamrock Hotel was valued at £50.

**Casimiro PINAZO**, age 57 & a publican, died 4 October 1893 in a fire when the Shamrock Hotel burnt down. According to the Falkland Islands Magazine of October 1893 “*The most destructive fire which has ever taken place in Stanley broke out in the Shamrock Public House at 12 o'clock on Tuesday night, Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>. Miss Lellman observed as she passed a window in her home what seemed to be a huge lamp burning in the bar, she immediately called her father's attention to it; he ran up to the Shamrock and roused the inmates – Mr & Mrs Pinazo. Casimiro Pinazo remained in the house, saying that he would come out in a minute, but overcome apparently with the smoke he never did so. A small portion of the head, the body and one hand were found – where the bar had been – after the fire had burned out. It is supposed that he had gone back for his money. The latter – gold and silver – were found more or less melted near to where it was known he stored the same. B Wilmer on the first alarm ran down and rang the Dockyard bell, a gun was fired, and the Colonists turned out in large numbers, but the fire had by this time obtained complete mastery over the house, which was burned to the ground with the “Pensioner's Cottage” attached to its West end. The latter had only been occupied a week before by Mr and Mrs Dix. All the furniture in the Shamrock was burned. The fire engine was brought out and willing hands set to work to save the adjoining houses – Mrs Ryan's and Mrs Hockings' to the East and Mr Clethero's to the West. These houses received no damage whatever. It was a great cause of thankfulness that what little wind there was came from the SW and thus blew the heat and sparks across the road and gardens opposite. The burning house was a grand sight and lighted up the whole Settlement. The Shamrock and the furniture were insured. Such was the melancholy end of one who for many years has been resident in the Islands, 40 of them having been spent as a gaucho in the camps.*” Casimiro was buried 6 October 1893 in Grave D 287.

On 31 August 1910 **John BEAN** of Punta Arenas granted to **Albert Ferdinand LELLMAN** of Stanley “*All that parcel of land Referred to on Crown Grants 120 and 72 as numbers twenty three (23) and twenty four (24) Pensioners Cottage Allotments, and bounded on the North 120 links by a public road, on the South 120 links by Crown Lands on the East 250 links by Number twenty five (25) Pensioners Cottage Allotment and on the West 250 by number twenty two (22) Pensioners Cottage Allotment*” for £100. [BUG-REG-6; 386]

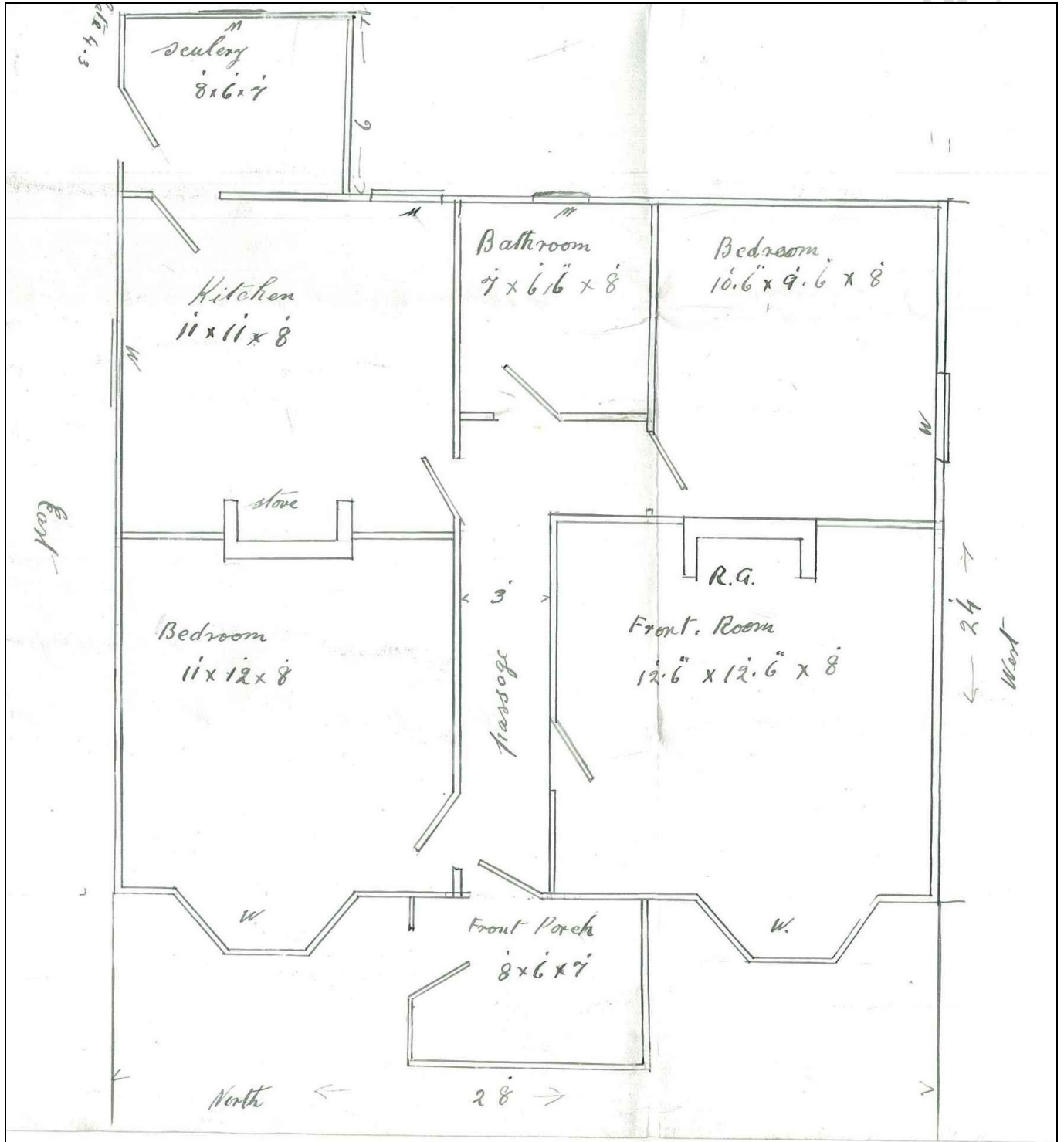
On 13 February 1920 **Albert Ferdinand LELLMAN** of Stanley granted to **Alexander John STEEL** of Stanley “*All that parcel of Land referred to on Crown Grants 120 and 72 and as numbers (23) twenty three and twenty four (24) Pensioners Cottage allotments and bounded on the North 120 links by a Public Road, on the South 120 links by Crown Lands, on the East 250 links by number twenty five (25) Pensioners Cottage allotment, and on the West 250 links by number twenty two (22) Pensioners Cottage allotment*” for £180. [BUG-REG-8; 316]

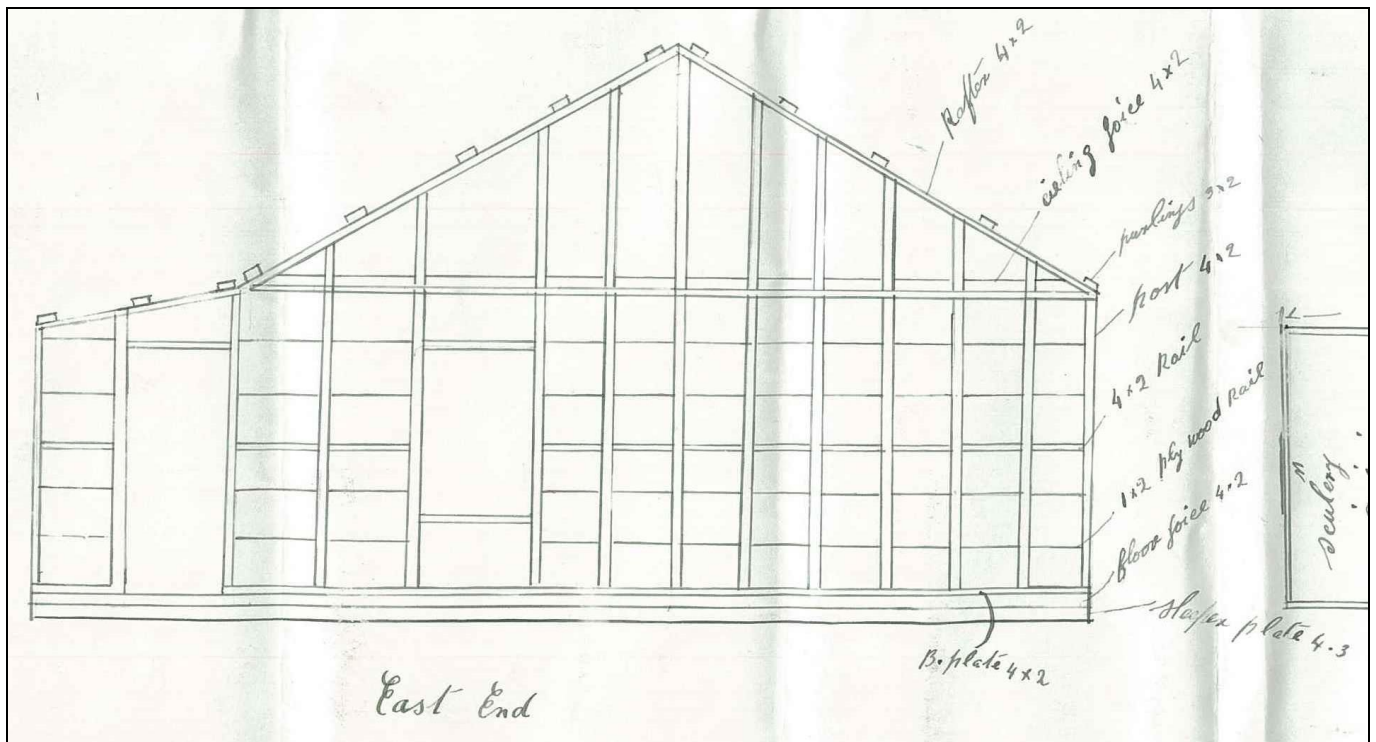
On 25 March 1920 **Alexander John STEEL** of Stanley granted to **Robert GREENSHIELDS** and **Andres PITALUGA** “*All that parcel of Land referred to on Crown Grants 120 and 72 and as number (23) twenty three and twenty four (24) Pensioners Cottage allotments and bounded on the North 120 links by a public road, on the South 120 links by Crown Lands, on the East 250 links by number twenty five (25) Pensioners Cottage allotment, and on the West 250 links by number twenty two (22) Pensioners Cottage allotment*” for £220. [BUG-REG-8; 323]

On 24 April 1929 **Robert GREENSHIELDS** and **Andres PITALUGA** granted to **Bertie FLEURET** “*All that parcel of land referred to in Crown Grants 120 and 72 and as numbers twenty three (23) and twenty four (24) Pensioners Cottage Allotments and bounded on the north 120 links by a Public Road, on the South 120 links by Crown land, on the East 250 links by number twenty five (25) Pensioners Cottage Allotments and on the West also 250 links by number twenty two (22) Pensioners Cottage Allotments*” for £210. [BUG-REG-10; 74]

On 11 October 1930 **Bertie FLEURET** granted to his brother, **Douglas FLEURET** "All that parcel of land situated in the Town of Stanley Lot 23, Crown Grants 120 being 60 links by 250 links, and bounded on the North by a Public road 60 links, on the South 60 links by Crown Land, on the East 250 links by Land owned by Mr Bertie Fleuret, on the West by No 22 (twenty two) Pensioners Cottage Allotment 250 links" for £110. [BUG-REG-10; 152]

In 1934 **Douglas FLEURET** built a six room bungalow to the east of his brother with a felt & iron roof, felt & weatherboard walls, two chimney stacks, scullery & front porch, hot & cold water and an outside water closet, washhouse, peat shed & store at rear of land on Crown Grant 120 with T Dettleff completing the interior for him. [148/34]





Doug Fleuret's house plans



Late 1940s – Second house from right, top row



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