

1860s

Sunville



Mother Maguire and Sisters take up residence at Sunville on Mercer Hill and bring 25 orphan girls with them.

March 1860

Geelong Advertiser

Education.

E DUCATION.—The Sisters of Mercy beg to announce that they will open a school for day pupils, at their Convent, Mercer's Hill, Geelong, on Monday the 19th instant. They are also prepared to receive a limited number of children as boarders.

Sisters announce in the Geelong Advertiser that they have opened a boarding school and a small day school.

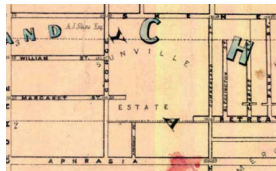
April 1860



Mother Xavier Maguire

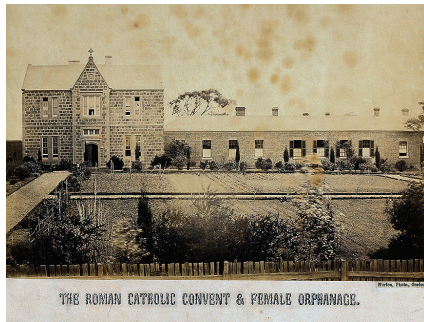
1860 - 1879

Plan showing Sunville Estate



Small wooden building
erected for use as
an orphanage on the
Sunville site.

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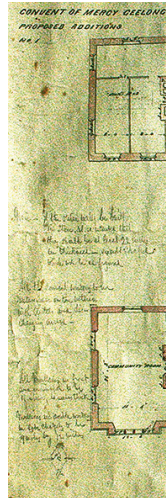
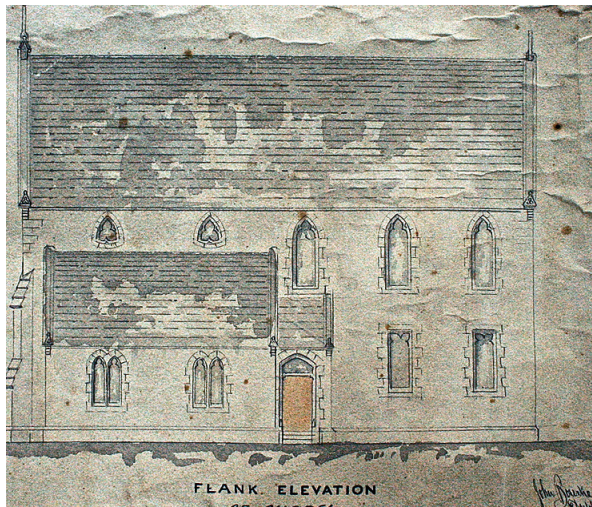
Mother Maguire obtains the
deeds to the convent,
construction of the
east wing begins.

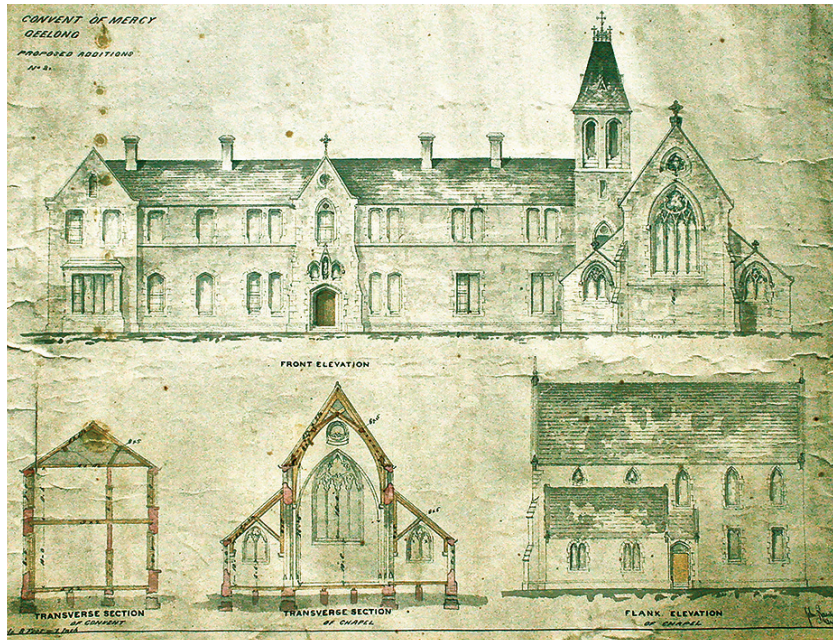
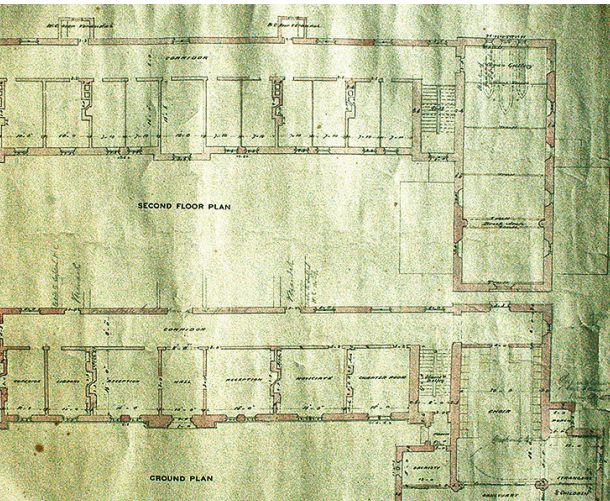
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Mr Joseph Shaw
is the architect
commissioned to
erect the south wing
of the convent.

1869





1870s



CONVENT OF MERCY, GEELONG.

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