**PETERSHAM** 

## Flood of interest in landmark site

## Builders and developers eager to secure old furniture warehouse

## **Brendan Wong**

AN iconic warehouse in Petersham that was home to Sydney's first furniture removal and storage business is up for sale.

Hayward factory warehouse is going to auction at the end of this month with a price guide of \$5 million.

Selling agent Duncan Gordon, from Raine & Horne Newtown, said he had been inundated with inquiries since the campaign was launched last Tuesday.

"They're mostly builders and developers," he said.

The property has DA approval for a residential development that

comprise 18 apartments and two ground floor retail outlets with the Bevnon & Havward signage retained.

The building was originally constructed between 1886 and 1904 by James E. The landmark Beynon & Gould, who was Marrickville's mayor in 1897, 1898 and 1905

> It operated as a grains store and, in 1925, Beynon & Hayward began operating a furniture removalist and storage business on the site.

> A Marrickville Council spokesman said the property had been recommended for heritage listing and a planning proposal would be exhibited for public consultation in the next four to six months.

