

S. J. McKee Archives



William Muir General Grocer building

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Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 20-2009.68
Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: post-1888
Physical Description: 4.5" x 7.5" (b/w)
Material Details: on matting
Physical Condition: Matting is bent and has a thumbtack hole.

History /

Biographical:

According to G.F. Barker (Brandon: A City, 1977, 291), William (Billy) Muir worked at Coombs & Stewart's on Pacific Avenue until he opened his own grocery store in 1888. The shop was located at 143-6th Street, Brandon, and was demolished for a parking lot in 1952.

Custodial History:

Donated to Fred McGuinness by Allena Strath (nee Coombs).

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the "Wm. Muir General Grocer" building on 6th Street. Two men pose in the doorway of the store. The man on the left is likely William Muir. Barrels are lined on the boardwalk in front of the store. Apples and mason jars can be seen in the shop's windows.

Notes: Front of photograph reads: Sixth Street between Rosser - Princess. Back of photograph reads: Billy Muir's Store, 143 6th Street Brandon - 57 years in business in this location. An address label affixed to the back of the mat reads: Mrs. James Strath, Box 421, Souris, Man.

Name Access: Coombs & Stewart
Pacific Avenue
6th Street
Wm. Muir General Grocer

Subject Access: Pioneers
general stores
building exteriors
store exteriors
grocery stores
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E18



Wm. Muir General Grocer

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Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1E18

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1888

Physical Description: 3 1/2" x 5"

Material Details: Negative

History /

Biographical:

Muir started as a clerk for Coombs & Stewart in 1882, went into business for himself 1888 and was still operating in 1938. He closed his 6th Street store in June of 1945 (Brandon Sun).

Muir was a good friend of my pioneer grandfather, Sam Gilmour, who lived a block up the street, and as a small boy I spent many nickels in this store (LAS).

Custodial History:

For custodial history see the collection level description of the Lawrence Stuckey collection.

Scope and Content:

Wm. "Billy" Muir & grocery store

Notes: Located on the west side of the 100 block of 6th St.

This photo presented by Wm. Muir to Martin Kavanagh and donated to collection of Assiniboine Historical Society.

Name Access: Wm. Muir General Grocer

Subject Access: businesses
general stores
grocery stores
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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