

# S. J. McKee Archives



## A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited, Seedmen

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10146>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: 2  
Item Number: BAPC 2.34  
Accession Number: 17-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: c. April 8, 1912  
Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: Postcard

### Custodial History:

Postcard was sent to Chuck Wilson's aunt, Mrs. W.M. Wilson in Creelman, SK by the McKenzie Seed Company in 1912. Chuck Wilson found the postcard in some of his aunt's papers in 2009 and mailed it to the McKee Archives.

### Scope and Content:

Item consists of a colour postcard of the McKenzie Seed Company building located on the west side of the 100 block of 9th Street. The card was sent to Mrs. W.M. Wilson of Creelman, SK to acknowledge her order.

Writing on the front of the card reads: A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited, Seedsmen, Brandon, Man

Name Access: A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited  
A.E. McKenzie Seed Company  
9th Street  
Subject Access: commercial buildings  
businesses  
Agriculture  
downtown  
Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer  
Related Material: RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Seed Co., Ltd. fonds

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## Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary - exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10133>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.21

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1925

Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary was established in 1923 by Arthur Thompson (b. 1881 - d. May14, 1957) at 764 13th Street. From approximately 1925-1927, the store was operated by Alexander Thompson at 762 13th Street. The fate of the store from 1929-1935 is unclear. In 1929, Alexander Thompson was a grocer at 748 7th Street and in 1931 a Mrs. A Thompson was a grocer at 802 14th Street. There were two Thompson grocery and confectionary businesses in Brandon in 1933: Thompson's Confectionary at 745 13th Street and Thompson & Co. at 702 12th Street. In 1935, Arthur Thompson appears to have either taken over one of the earlier businesses or reopened his own grocery in its original location at 762 13th Street. He operated his store at this location into the mid-1950s. At some point following Thompson's death the building was bought by Frank Fitzpatrick and used for his upholstery store.

Custodial History:

Donated by Frank Fitzpatrick.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking northwest at the exterior of Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from Henderson's Directories (1917-1955) for Brandon, MB.

Name Access: Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary  
13th Street  
College Avenue

Subject Access: grocery stores  
cityscapes  
businesses  
stores

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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### Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary - interior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10134>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.22

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1925

Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

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Custodial History:

Donated by Frank Fitzpatrick.

#### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the interior of Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from Henderson's Directories (1917-1955) for Brandon, MB.

Name Access: Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary  
13th Street  
College Avenue

Subject Access: grocery stores  
businesses  
stores  
foods  
dry goods  
produce  
canned foods

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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#### A.E. McKenzie Seeds

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12405>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.35

Accession Number: 3-2012

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [between 1911 and 1913]

Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (b/w)

Material Details: Postcard

Physical Condition: Some water damage and staining.

#### Custodial History:

Postcard was donated to the McKee Archives by Allen Drysdale, archivist at Beautiful Plains Archives in October 2011. Drysdale received the postcard as part of a larger donation to his archives.

Scope and Content:

Item is a colour postcard of the A.E. McKenzie Seed Company in Brandon, MB. The postcard was sent to John Dorset, Elphinstone, MB from his brother Sid (?).

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                          A.E. McKenzie Seed Company  
                          9th Street

Subject Access:     commercial buildings  
                          businesses  
                          downtown

Storage Location:   BAPC photograph drawer

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## Brandon Hardware interior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14308>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.38

Accession Number: 7-2017

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [193-]

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.5" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting (14" x 12")

History /

Biographical:

Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd. founded in 1882, making it one of Brandon's earliest mercantiles. It was incorporated in 1902, and their location on Rosser Avenue at the corner of 7th Street was constructed in 1903. For a number of years, J.B. Curran was the managing director. The building was destroyed by fire in 1983.

Custodial History:

Katy Singleton was given this photo in her role as Heritage Coordinator for the City of Brandon. She transferred it to the McKee Archives in 2013.

Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the interior of the Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd. looking towards the front of the store from the back.

Name Access: Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd.

Subject Access: commercial buildings

businesses

downtown

Storage Location: BAPC oversize photograph drawer

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## Brandon Hardware interior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14309>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.39

Accession Number: 7-2017

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [193-]

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.5" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting (14" x 12")

History /

Biographical:

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Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the interior of the Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd. looking towards the back of the store from the front.

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Subject Access: commercial buildings

businesses

downtown

Storage Location: BAPC oversize photograph drawer

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## Hanbury Manufacturing Company

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14310>





Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: 2  
Item Number: BAPC 2.36  
Accession Number: 4-2017  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: c. 1900  
Physical Description: 8.25" x 6.25" (b/w)  
Material Details: On matting (12" x 10")

#### History /

#### Biographical:

John Hanbury came to Brandon in January 1882. For the next decade he operated a contracting business, constructing several Brandon buildings including the post office, the Merchants Block, and the General Hospital. In 1892, Hanbury founded the Hanbury Manufacturing Company. The most important industry in Brandon from 1900-1914, Hanbury's employed over 150 men in logging, lumbering and the manufacturing of doors, windows, furniture and other house fixtures.

With offices, a warehouse and lumber mill on either side of Assiniboine Avenue at 6th Street North, Hanbury's relied on timber from northern forests that was moved, raft-like, down river by drivers. Cabinets, furniture and other millwork was sold out of the Hanbury Hardware Co. building on 7th Street and Pacific Avenue. John Hanbury left Brandon in 1910, although his son continued to operate the business until World War I.

Residential buildings were constructed on the company lands on Assiniboine Avenue west of 6th Street North in the late 1920s; the building east of 6th Street was used first as the Christie's School Supplies warehouse (1929-1939) and then by successive woollen mills (1941-1991). A portion of what appears to be the original building currently stands vacant on the site. The hardware building on Pacific Avenue has been primarily used by the Government Liquor Control Commission (1929-1971) and Christie's School Supplies, now Christie's Office Plus (early 1940s – present).

#### Custodial History:

Photos belonged to Jim Lanigan's family. He donated them to the McKee Archives in January 2017.

#### Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the Hanbury Mfg Co. buildings on Assiniboine Avenue - photo is looking northeast

#### Notes:

Jim Lanigan and his siblings believed that Hanbury Manufacturing Company is where their paternal grandfather James Joseph Lanigan worked and learned the glazing trade. James Joseph's father James and brother Albert Daniel may have also worked there. Both Joe and Bert went to work for the CPR in Brandon in 1898. Jim Lanigan could not identify any family members in the group portrait.

Name Access: Hanbury Manufacturing Company

Subject Access: manufacturing  
businesses  
downtown

Storage Location: BAPC oversize photograph drawer

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## Hanbury Manufacturing Company employees

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14311>

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Series Number: 2

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Accession Number: 4-2017

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1900

Physical Description: 8.25" x 6.25" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting (12" x 10")

History /

Biographical:

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#### Scope and Content:

Item is a group portrait of Hanbury Manufacturing Company employees.

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Subject Access: manufacturing  
businesses  
downtown

Storage Location: BAPC oversize photograph drawer

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