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William Muir General Grocer building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13757>

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



Interior of Cafe Aagaard

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13732>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.42

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1903-1923]

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

Material Details: postcard

History /

Biographical:

Opened 1903. Closed 1923. Building became the Oak Theatre ca. 1930. Reopened as Towne Cinema ca. 1980 after being closed for many years. The building has since been demolished.

Scope and Content:

Postcard shows the interior of the lunch counter and cashier register at Cafe Aagaard located at 29-8th Street Brandon.

Notes: Writing on the front of the postcard reads: Lunch Counter Cafe Aagaard, 29 Eighth St., Brandon, Man. The back of the postcard reads: Cafe Aagaard, Largest, Oldest and Best in Brandon. The postcard is addressed to Mrs. K.L. McGregor, 157-4th St.

Name Access: Aagaard's
Cafe Aagaard
8th Street

Subject Access: restaurants
lunch counters
building interiors
store interiors
restaurant interiors
cafes
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E9

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Coombs & Stewart general store c. 1881

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13756>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.67

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c.1881

Physical Description: 6.5" x 5" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photograph is stained and water damaged. A newspaper clipping about William (Billy) Muir is glued to the top left hand corner of the mat. The image is exfoliated in the right hand corner. The negative has been reverse printed.

History /

Biographical:

Coombs & Stewart opened the first general store in Brandon in 1881, which was located on 6th Street and Pacific Avenue. According to G.F. Barker (Brandon: A City, 1977, 291), William (Billy) Muir worked at the store until he opened his own grocery store in 1888.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Coombs & Stewart general store located on the corner of Pacific Avenue and 6th Street. A group of men pose in front of the wood-framed store.

Notes: Back of photograph reads: One of first stores in Brandon, Coombs...[?]

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

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

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E13

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Royal George Hotel

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13712>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.22

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1912

Physical Description: 9.75" x 7.5" (b/w)

Physical Condition: photograph is torn and has scotch tape residue

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the exterior of the Royal George Hotel located at 142-6th Street, Brandon. Striped awnings cover the second and third storey windows of the hotel. Dogs roam the sidewalk in front of the hotel. Advertisements cover the fence adjacent to the hotel and include: Fort McMurray town site settlement; Mortgage sale for city property; Starland Theatre featuring Miss Amy Lawrence, Soprano; Sherman Theatre; 15th Annual Horticultural Exhibition

Notes: Date ascertained from 15th Annual Horticultural Exhibition advertisement posted on fence adjacent to hotel. Address obtained from Henderson's Brandon City Directory for 1913.

Name Access: Royal George Hotel

Starland Theatre

Sherman Theatre

Horticultural Exhibition

6th Street

Subject Access: hotels

building exteriors

advertising

dogs

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

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Stores near the corner of Rosser Avenue and 6th Street

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13783>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.94

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1881-1882

Physical Description: 9.25" x 6.25" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Corners of photograph mat are bent. Picture is cracked.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows an early view of Brandon's 6th Street in the 1880s. The Winter & O'Neil Groceries & Provisions and James Smart Hardware storefronts have been photographed. A street sign designating 6th Street can be seen below the Winter & O'Neil sign. A horse and cart is parked in front of the grocery store. A number of men wearing hats and jackets are standing along the boardwalk while posing for the picture. Lumber/timber saws are displayed in the windows of the hardware store.

Notes: Front of photograph reads: 6th Street, Brandon, Manitoba, 1881-1882, Entrance [to Winter & O'Neil] corner of Rosser Ave & 6th Street.

Name Access: James Smart Hardware store

Winter & O'Neil Groceries and Provisions

6th Street

Subject Access: downtown

hardware stores

Pioneers

dry goods

street scenes

Brandon Street Scenes Before 1940

grocery stores

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

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Street scene 8th Street in winter

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13703>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.13

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1906

Physical Description: 4.25" x 3.25" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photograph has been glued to a backing board that has warped over time

History /

Biographical:

On 16 November 1906, Manitoba was hit by a severe winter storm that began that Thursday evening and extended through the weekend. The Brandon Daily Sun ("Storm Extends Over a Large Territory," 17 Nov. 1906, 1) reported that rail and telegraph services had been disrupted, country roads were impassable, and business in town was at a stand still. Following the weekend, the daily reported the blizzard was one of the greatest in recent memory. CPR trains had been caught in drifts by Carberry and an express car had caught fire and was destroyed ("Worst Storm in Many Years," Brandon Daily Sun, 19 Nov. 1906, 1).

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of intersection of the 000 block of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue in the winter. Businesses on the east side of 8th Street from Pacific to Rosser Avenues are clearly visible and include: a Lunch Room (likely Aagaard's Lunch Counter), the Hotel Imperial Annex, Liverpool House (a boarding house), R.S. Thompson and Company Real Estate Office (Land Office), a barber shop (likely J. Coulter's), Frank Gowen photography studio. Fleming's Drug Store on the corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue has been replaced by the Bank of Hamilton. The Imperial Hotel is visible on the west side of 8th Street. The 8th Street Bridge is visible in the background.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 338, November 1906. Page appears to be from a photo album. The photograph appears to be taken from the interior of a building on the southwest corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue.

Name Access: Fleming Block

Frank Gowen Photographer

Liverpool House

Hotel Imperial Annex

8th Street

Rosser Avenue

Aagaard's

R.S. Thompson

8th Street Bridge

Bank of Hamilton

Imperial Hotel

Subject Access: Street scene
 downtown
 storefronts
 store exteriors
 hotels
 boarding houses
 barber shops
 restaurants
 druggists
 photographers
 bridge
 banks
 winter
 land agents

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

Images



8th Street and Rosser Avenue intersection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13768>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.79

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1906]

Physical Description: 4.25" x 3.25" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photograph is scratched and has been glued to a backing board that has warped over time

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of the northeast intersection of the 000 block of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue. Horse and buggies are parked along the east side of 8th Street. Businesses on the east side of 8th Street from Pacific to Rosser Avenues are clearly visible and include: a Lunch Room (likely Aagaard's Lunch Counter), the Hotel Imperial Annex, Liverpool House (a boarding house), R.S. Thompson and Company Real Estate Office (Land Office), a barber shop (likely J. Coulter's), Frank Gowen photography studio, and Fleming's Drug Store. A possible street fair is in progress on Rosser Avenue. One man is standing on a soap box and is surrounded by a crowd in the middle of 8th Street. Another man can be seen standing behind a booth on the northwest street corner. Building construction appears to be happening on the west corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 297. One photograph (20-2009.80) is glued below the photograph. Another photograph is glued on the reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block
Fleming's Drug Store
Frank Gowen Photographer
Liverpool House
Hotel Imperial Annex
8th Street
Rosser Avenue
Aagaard's
R.S. Thompson
8th Street Bridge

Subject Access: Street scene
Transportation
downtown
storefronts
store exteriors
hotels
boarding houses
barber shops
restaurants
druggists
photographers
bridge
horses
dogs
buggies

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

Images



8th Street and Rosser Avenue intersection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13701>

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| Part Of: | Fred McGuinness collection |
| Description Level: | Item |
| Series Number: | McG 9 |
| Item Number: | 20-2009.11 |
| Accession Number: | 20-2009 |
| GMD: | graphic |
| Date Range: | [1906] |
| Physical Description: | 6.5" x 4.25" (b/w) |
| Material Details: | on matting |
| Physical Condition: | Photograph is scratched and has been glued to a backing board that has warped over time |

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of intersection of the 000 block of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue. Horse and buggies are travelling on both roads. Businesses on the east side of 8th Street from Pacific to Rosser Avenues are clearly visible and include: a Lunch Room (likely Aagaard's Lunch Counter), the Hotel Imperial Annex, Liverpool House (a boarding house), R.S. Thompson and Company Real Estate Office (Land Office), a barber shop (likely J. Coulter's), Frank Gowen photography studio, and Fleming's Drug Store. A possible street fair is in progress on Rosser Avenue. One man is surrounded by a crowd adjacent to the Fleming Block, another man stands on a soap box in the middle of the intersection, while a third man is standing behind a booth. Building construction appears to be happening on the west corner of 7th Street and Rosser Avenue.

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| Notes: | Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 296. One photograph (20-2009.12) is glued above and two others are glued on the reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo album. |
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Name Access: Fleming Block
Fleming's Drug Store
Frank Gowen Photographer
Liverpool House
Hotel Imperial Annex
8th Street
Rosser Avenue
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R.S. Thompson
8th Street Bridge

Subject Access: Street scene
Transportation
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druggists
photographers
bridge
horses
dogs
land agents

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

Images



Street scene 8th Street in winter

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13704>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.14
Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1906
Physical Description: 4.25" x 3.25" (b/w)
Material Details: on matting
Physical Condition: Photograph has been glued to a backing board that has warped over time

History /

Biographical:

On 16 November 1906, Manitoba was hit by a severe winter storm that began that Thursday evening and extended through the weekend. The Brandon Daily Sun ("Storm Extends Over a Large Territory," 17 Nov. 1906, 1) reported that rail and telegraph services had been disrupted, country roads were impassable, and business in town was at a stand still. Following the weekend, the daily reported the blizzard was one of the greatest in recent memory. CPR trains had been caught in drifts by Carberry and an express car had caught fire and was destroyed ("Worst Storm in Many Years," Brandon Daily Sun, 19 Nov. 1906, 1).

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of intersection of the 000 block of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue in the winter. Businesses on the east side of 8th Street from Pacific to Rosser Avenues are clearly visible and include: a Lunch Room (likely Aagaard's Lunch Counter), the Hotel Imperial Annex, Liverpool House (a boarding house), R.S. Thompson and Company Real Estate Office (Land Office), a barber shop (likely J. Coulter's), Frank Gowen photography studio. Fleming's Drug Store on the corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue has been replaced by the Bank of Hamilton. The Imperial Hotel is visible on the west side of 8th Street. The 8th Street Bridge is visible in the background. Men in winter coats and hats are crossing the street at the intersection. A horse-drawn sleigh is parked on 8th Street.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 340, after the storm November 1906. Page appears to be from a photo album. The photograph appears to be taken from the interior of a building on the southwest corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue.

Name Access: Fleming Block
Frank Gowen Photographer
Liverpool House
Hotel Imperial Annex
8th Street
Rosser Avenue
Aagaard's
R.S. Thompson
8th Street Bridge
Bank of Hamilton
Imperial Hotel

Subject Access: Street scene
 downtown
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 winter
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 sleighs
 storms
 land agents

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

Images

