

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Wm Gray & Sons Co. Ltd.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6450>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection

Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number: 6-1999.25

Accession Number: 6-1999

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1912

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

### History /

#### Biographical:

In the period leading up to World War I, Brandon, due to its excellent railway connections, was also home to branch offices of a number of large manufacturing companies during this period. Among those manufacturing outfits were William Gray & Sons Co. Ltd., and Mason Campbell Company. Based in Chatham, ON, these companies were leading manufacturers of carriages, sleighs and light wagons and fanning mills respectively. Constructed in 1907, by Giddings and Wyman for approximately \$15,000, the four-storey structure was located at 801 Pacific Avenue and was shared by the two companies.

In response to the new technology of the gasoline engine, Wm. Gray & Sons entered into a partnership with the Dort Motor Company, of Flint, MI in 1915, and began designing and producing the Gray-Dort automobile; Mason Campbell's Chatham plant became the assembly plant for the Gray-Dort. Production of the car spanned nearly ten years with over 20,000 Gray Dorts made. The company had over 300 dealers across the country, including one in Brandon.

In 1924, the Dort Motor Company decided to cease production, sending the Gray Company into significant debt. They were forced to close their doors in 1925, when Gray was unable to find a suitable partner to manufacture the car.

Following the closure of Gray-Campbell Ltd., portions of the warehouse were used by a number of businesses between 1925 - 1948, including farm and agricultural implement concerns Canadian Stover Co., Cameron & Rathwell, and Case (J.I.) Co. Ltd., the McKay Fruit Co. Ltd., Brazzell Motors, AC Bateman (electrician), Samuel Coxe (veterinarian) and Burns & Co. Ltd (packing house and egg grading station).

In 1949, the warehouse was taken over by Canada Grocers Ltd., who remained until 1973, when the building became Kullberg's Big Warehouse. When Kullberg's moved their warehouse to the old International Harvester building in 2004, the Wm. Gray & Sons Co. Ltd. building was torn down.

#### Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

#### Scope and Content:

Photo shows the front of William Gray & Sons Co. Ltd. Wording and signs on the bulding include: "High Grade Carriages, Chatham, Ont."; "Scales"; "Incubators"; "The Manson Campbell Co. Ltd."; "Kitchen Cabinets"; "Chatham Fanning Mills"; "Emerson (New Standard) Mowers"; "Tudhope Carriages"; "Agency for Sylvester Drills"; "Stover Coy Gasoline Engines"; "Gray-Campbell, High Grade Carriages"; and "Phone 771."

Storage Range: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript collection - photograph storage drawer

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## The Rat Portage Lumber Co. Ltd.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6453>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection

Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number: 6-1999.28

Accession Number: 6-1999

GMD: graphic

Date Range: ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.25" x 7.25" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

The Rat Portage Lumber Company Ltd. was located on 10th Street at the corner of Princess Avenue.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows premises of The Rat Portage Lumber Co. Ltd. - lumber, sashes, doors, mouldings, hardwood & interior finish, brick, glass, builders supplies. The view is south along 11th Street.

Storage Range: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript collection - photograph storage drawer

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## Brandon Implement & Manufacturing Co. Ltd.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6456>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 6-1999.31  
Accession Number: 6-1999  
Physical Description: 9.25" x 7.25" (b/w)  
Storage Range: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript collection - photograph storage drawer

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## The Brandon Creamery & Supply Co., Ltd.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6461>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 6-1999.36  
Accession Number: 6-1999  
Physical Description: 9.25" x 7.25" (b/w)  
Storage Range: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript collection - photograph storage drawer

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## The George White & Sons Co., Ltd

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6465>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection

Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number: 6-1999.40

Accession Number: 6-1999

GMD: graphic

Date Range: ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows the premises of The George White & Sons Co., Ltd. Additional wording on the building reads: "The first quality line threshing-machinery."

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## Manitoba Engines Ltd.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6470>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection

Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number: 6-1999.45

Accession Number: 6-1999

GMD: graphic

Date Range: ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.25" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

Manitoba Engines Ltd. was located at 803 Assiniboine Avenue.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows the inside of Manitoba Engines Ltd.

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## The Brandon Brewing Co.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6451>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 6-1999.26  
Accession Number: 6-1999  
Physical Description: 9" x 7" (b/w)  
Storage Range: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript collection - photograph storage drawer

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## Northwest Thresher Co.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6452>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 6-1999.27  
Accession Number: 6-1999  
Physical Description: 9.25" x 7.25" (b/w)  
Storage Range: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript collection - photograph storage drawer

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## Somerville & Co. Marble Works

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6454>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection

Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number: 6-1999.29

Accession Number: 6-1999

GMD: graphic

Date Range: ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9" x 7" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

The Somerville Steam Marble & Granite Works was located at 1417 Rosser Avenue.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows the premises of Somerville & Co. Marble works.

Notes: Negatives located with photograph

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## Brandon Sandstone Brick Co.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6455>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection

Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number: 6-1999.30

Accession Number: 6-1999

GMD: graphic

Date Range: ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon Sandstone Brick Co. Ltd. was located on Princess Avenue between 29th and 30th Streets.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows the premises of the Brandon Sandstone Brick Co.

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## Hanbury Hardware Co., Limited

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6464>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection

Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number: 6-1999.39

Accession Number: 6-1999

GMD: graphic

Date Range: ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.25" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

The Hanbury Hardware Company Limited was located at 703 Pacific Avenue.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows the premises of the Hanbury Hardware Co. Additional signs on the building read: "Walter M. Borbride, Harness Trunks Val??"; "Agents for Hugh Car?n Limited, manufacturer of harne?? saddlery, trunks & bags. O???wa, Ont."; and "Canadian Coal & Com? Co."

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## Aerial view: Brandon College campus

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8272>

Part Of: Aerial views and campus photographs

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.1

Item Number: 2.1.1

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1964

Physical Description: 4" x 5" (b/w)

### Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking northwest from approximately the southeast corner of 18th Street and Louise Avenue.

Name Access: Flora Cowan Residence

Subject Access: Aerial views Brandon College

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