

S. J. McKee Archives



Coombs & Stewart general store c. 1881

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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



Brandon Fire Station No.2 exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13993>

Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Item
Series Number:	McG 9
Item Number:	1-2015.63
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	graphic
Date Range:	1914
Physical Description:	4.75" x 6.75" (b/w)
Physical Condition:	Photograph was removed from a photo album. Photograph is ripped.
History / Biographical:	

According the 1911 Henderson's Brandon City Directory, the Brandon Fire Department - headquartered at Seventh Street and Princess Avenue - had 16 permanent firemen. For equipment the department had one steamer, two chemicals, two hose wagons, one hose reel, one aerial aldder, one hook and ladder wagon, and 10 horses. The city had 34 electric fire alarm boxes and 114 fire hydrants. The pumping station had a capacity of 3.5 million gallons in 24 hours. By 1914, the Brandon Fire Department had 19 permanent employees on its roster and added 2 more horses as well as an 80 horsepower combination motor truck.

Custodial History:

Photograph was given to Fred McGuinness by Linda Bilkoski (nee Lepard) of Lac du Bonnet, MB.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows two horse-drawn fire wagons in front of the Brandon Fire Station No. 2. One wagon has a hose, the other wagon has an extension ladder.

Notes: Writing on the back of photograph reads: Ed Harden, Driver on the left, 1914, 11th McTavish. This picture is the same as the negative in the Lawrence Stuckey collection. Stuckey obtained a copy of the photo from George Lepard, father of Linda Bilkoski (nee Lepard).

Name Access: Brandon Fire Department Ladder Wagon
Brandon Fire Department
Fire Station No. 2
Brandon Fire Department Personnel
Brandon fire halls

Subject Access: Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940
Brandon Fire Department Stations & Equipment
horses
fire halls
fire engines
building exteriors
firefighters

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1F12

Arrangement:
McG 4.1 File 27

Images

