

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





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

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8th Street and Rosser Avenue intersection

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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





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:20-2009.94Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate 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'Neail Groceries & Provisions and James Smart Hardware storefronts have been photographed. A street sign designating 6th Street can be seen below the Winter & O'Neail 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 teh windows of the hardware store.

Notes: Front of photograph reads: 6th Street, Brandon, Manitoba, 1881-1882,

Entrance [to Winter & O'Neail] corner of Rosser Ave & 6th Street.

Name Access: James Smart Hardware store

Winter & O'Neail 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)

Images





8th Street and Rosser Avenue intersection

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

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.

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.

Name Access: Fleming Block

Fleming's Drug Store

Frank Gowen Photographer

Liverpool House
Hotel Imperial Annex

8th Street

Aagaard's

Rosser Avenue

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

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/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 builing 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. Thompson8th 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





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

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

1906

History / Biographical:

Date Range:

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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 builing 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

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Subject Access: Street scene

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

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