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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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Brandon street cars in front of Winter Fair Building on 10th



Street

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13753>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 20-2009.64
Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1913
Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (b/w)
Material Details: postcard
Physical Condition: Postcard is discoloured around the edges

History /

Biographical:

According to the Brandon Daily Sun (07 May 1913), the first three street cars (Nos. 10, 9, and 7) arrived in Brandon on the evening of May 6, 1913. The cars were shipped via Canadian National Rail to Brandon from Winnipeg and stored at the railway siding on McTavish Avenue between 8th and 9th Streets. The daily paper (15 May 1915) reported that a test run for the street cars was scheduled for May 16, 1913. The City Clerk published a public notice in the paper (29 May 1913) announcing the formal opening of the "Brandon Municipal Street Railway" for on Monday, June 2, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at city hall where the cars would be displayed.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Postcard depicts three municipal street cars parked on the 10th Street tracks in front of the Winter Fair Building. In front of the cars are a group of men wearing suits, hats, and top coats. Two automobiles are parked alongside the street cars. According to Archivist Emeritus Tom Mitchell, the group of men are members of the Brandon Municipal Street Railway Committee. The chairman of the committee, Harry Cater, can be seen in the center-left of the group wearing a watch fob. The committee had assembled for a test run of the street car service, which the Brandon Daily Sun reported to have occurred on Sunday, May 16, 1913.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: First Street Car in Brandon in front of Winter Fair building 1910.

Name Access: Brandon Municipal Railway
Winter Fair Building
Harry Cater
10th Street

Subject Access: street cars
Transportation
cars
automobiles

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.112

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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

Images



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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Tenth Street looking towards CPR Station, Brandon, Man.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13780>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.91

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1917-1919]

Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (colour)

Material Details: postcard

History /

Biographical:

According to Russ Gourluck (Silver Screens on the Prairie, Winnipeg: Great Plains Publications, 2012, 26), the Orpheum Theatre was in operation from 1917 to 1920 when it then became the Willis Theatre.

Scope and Content:

Postcard shows the 100 block of 10th Street facing north. The CPR train station can be seen at the end of 10th Street. The sign for the Rex Cafe is visible on the west side of 10th Street. On the east side of 10th Street, billboards for Campbell & Campbell furniture are visible as well as signs for Pianos and the Orpheum Theatre. Motorists and cyclists share the road. Street car tracks run the length of 10th Street.

Notes: Postcard was manufactured by T.B. [Tichnor Brothers, Inc., 1908-1987] Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Name Access: 10th Street
CPR Station
Orpheum Theatre
Rex Cafe
Campbell & Campbell
Brandon Municipal Railway

Subject Access: street scenes
building exteriors
store exteriors
automobiles
Transportation
street cars
bicycles

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: 20-2009.94

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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Brandon Municipal Railway car in winter

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13869>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.179

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [19--]

Physical Description: 3.75" x 2.5" (b/w)

Material Details: reproduction

Custodial History:

Image submitted to Fred McGuinness by T. Horobin of Brandon

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a man, perhaps an engineer standing next to a Brandon Municipal Railway car covered in snow. A Brandon Municipal Railway token/tag is affixed to the image.

Name Access: Brandon Municipal Railway

Subject Access: streetcars

street cars

Transportation

winter

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

Arrangement:

From 20-2009 File 9

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