

S. J. McKee Archives



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





Royal George Hotel

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

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.22Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate 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)

Images





Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium in winter

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10138

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 2

Item Number:BAPC 2.26GMD:graphicDate Range:[after 1967]Physical Description:5" x 3.5" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium (WMCA). View is looking

northeast from 20th Street. Victory Tolgesy's "Explorer" in the foreground.

Name Access: Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium

Victor Tolgesy 20th Street

Brandon University

Subject Access: public buildings

performing arts centennial projects

visual arts

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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:

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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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