

# S. J. McKee Archives



# Brandon Hardware Company Ltd.

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13695

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.5

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [191-]

Physical Description: 8.5" x 6.5" (b/w)

Material Details: Reproduction

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Brandon Hardware Company Ltd. storefront at 641 Rosser Avenue on the corner of 7th Street. A billboard advertisement for Stephen's Pure Paints is on the 7th Street side of the building. A company delivery truck is parked on the street. Two men appear to be window shopping on the avenue side of the store.

Name Access: Brandon Hardware Company

Rosser Avenue

7th Street

Subject Access: storefront

store exteriors

hardware

Trucks

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

#### **Images**



Dominion Day on Rosser Avenue



## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13698

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.8

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1906

Physical Description: 6" x 4" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photographs have been glued to a backing board that has warped over

time

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of north side of Rosser Avenue, primarily the 700 block. Horse and buggies are travelling on the avenue and pedestrians fill the sidewalks. Union Jacks and English flags are mounted from the windows on the Fleming and Beaubier blocks. Flag banners are drapped across Rosser Avenue. Businesses visible in the Fleming Block include: Lowes Brothers Clothing and Spring Park Nurseries. Businesses visible in the Beaubier Block include the Empire Hotel. Businesses east of the Empire Hotel are grocer A.M. Percival and the Brandon Hardware Company. An advertisement for the Northern Bank is affixed to a telephone pole on the southside of the street. The street is lined with litter and a number of dogs can be seen roaming the area.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 313 July 1906. One

photograph (20-2009.8) is glued below and another, 20-2009.6, is glued

on the reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block

Lowes Brothers Clothing

Spring Park Nurseries Limited

**Empire Hotel** 

D.W. Beaubier Block

A.M. Percival

**Brandon Hardware Company** 

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: Street scene

Transportation

grocers storefronts

downtown

**Dominion Day** 

dogs

horses

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

## **Images**





# Horse and buggies travelling on Rosser Avenue

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13699

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.9

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1906]

Physical Description: 6.5" x 4.25" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photographs have been glued to a backing board that has warped over

time

History / Biographical:

Photograph of possible Dakota from Sioux Valley in Brandon for the summer fair.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of north side of Rosser Avenue, primarily the 700 block. Businesses visible in the Fleming Block include: Lowes Brothers Clothing, Robert Hall [Insurance Broker], Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company. Businesses visible in the Beaubier Block include the Empire Hotel. Businesses east of the Empire Hotel are grocer A.M. Percival and the Brandon Hardware Company. A number of Aboriginal peoples are driving horse and buggies west along Rosser Avenue as spectators look on.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 294 July 1906. One

photograph (20-2009.10) is glued below and two others are glued on the

reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block

Lowes Brothers Clothing

Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company

Empire Hotel

D.W. Beaubier Block

A.M. Percival

**Brandon Hardware Company** 

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: Street scene

Transportation

downtown

grocers

storefronts

dogs

Aboriginals

First Nations

horses

buggies

insurance agents

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

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

land agents

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

## **Images**





# Horse and carriages travelling on Rosser Avenue

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13702

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.12Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate Range:[1906]

Physical Description: 6.5" x 4.25" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photographs have been glued to a backing board that has warped over

time

History / Biographical:

Photograph of possible Dakota from Sioux Valley in Brandon for the summer fair.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of north side of Rosser Avenue, primarily the 700 block. Businesses visible in the Fleming Block include: Lowes Brothers Clothing, Robert Hall [Insurance Broker], Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company. Businesses visible in the Beaubier Block include the Empire Hotel. Businesses east of the Empire Hotel are grocer A.M. Percival and the Brandon Hardware Company. A number of Aboriginal peoples are driving horse and carriages west along Rosser Avenue as spectators look on.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 295 July 1906. One

photograph (20-2009.11) is glued above and two others are glued on the

reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block

Lowes Brothers Clothing

Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company

Empire Hotel

D.W. Beaubier Block

A.M. Percival

**Brandon Hardware Company** 

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: Street scene

Transportation

downtown

grocers

storefronts

dogs

Aboriginals First Nations

horses

insurance 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. Thompson

8th Street Bridge

Bank of Hamilton Imperial Hotel

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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:20-2009.14Accession Number:20-2009GMD: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. 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

Bank of Hamilton

Imperial Hotel

Subject Access: Street scene

downtown

storefronts

store exteriors

hotels

boarding houses

barber shops

restaurants

druggists

photographers

bridges

banks

winter

Transportation

sleighs

storms

land agents

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

## **Images**



Street scene Rosser Avenue and 8th Street intersection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13705



Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 20-2009.15
Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic

Physical Description: 6.5" x 4.25" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photographs have been glued to a backing board that has warped over

time

1906

Scope and Content:

Date Range:

Photograph shows street view of north side of Rosser Avenue, primarily the 700 block. The Fleming Block, Beaubier Block and its Empire Hotel, A.M. Percival (a grocer), the Brandon Hardware Company (600 block), and the Arlington Hotel (500 block) are visible along the north side of the avenue. The Bank of Hamilton Building on the southeast corner of 8th Street and Rosser appears to be under construction. A sign in the second storey window above the main entrance reads: law office. The streets are muddy and a horse and buggy is traveling west on Rosser Avenue.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: mud November 12,

1906, 339. The photograph appears to be taken from the interior of a builing on the southwest corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue. Page

appears to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block

**Empire Hotel** 

D.W. Beaubier Block

A.M. Percival

Brandon Hardware Company

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: Street scene

Transportation

downtown

storefronts mud

dogs horses buggies

insurance agents

lawyers

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

## **Images**





# Interior of dentist's office

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13710

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 20-2009.20

Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1906

Physical Description: 4.25" x 3.25" (b/w)

Custodial History:

John Dickson (b. 17 Mar 1854, Scotland; d.15 April 1926, Brandon) was considered one of Brandon's pioneer dentists. Dickson immigrated to Canada in 1857, where he lived in Hamilton, Ontario, for a number of years. Dickson then came to Manitoba and operated a grocery in Chater before he studied dentistry, graduating from the University of Minnesota in 1886. Dickson settled in Brandon where he married Anna Louise Harrison on 28 December 1891.

The couple had four children: Mrs. Irving Cross [Mary Louise, b.20 Dec 1892, Brandon; d. 22 Oct 1981, Saratoga, NY]; Dr. John Harrison Dickson [b. 26 Aug 1894, Brandon; d. 17 June 1956, Killarney]; Dr. Stanley Rodgers Dickson [b. 18 Feb 1896, Brandon; d. 25 July 1963, Brandon]; and Mrs. Emile Baldeschweiler [Isobel Marion Coates, b. 13 Nov 1900, Brandon; d.?] of New York.

Sources: "Pioneer Dentist of Brandon in Dr. John Dickson," Brandon Daily Sun 16 Apr 1926 and Manitoba Vital Statistics database.

#### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the interior of a dentist's office with dentist's chair and sink, as well as shelves and a table lined with medicines. This office is possibly that of Dr. John Dickson who had his practice at 804 Rosser Avenue.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: December 1906.

Name Access: John Dickson

Subject Access: dentists

building interiors

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

## **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**





# Grand View Hotel interior

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13713

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.23Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate Range:1913

Physical Description: 7" x 5" (b/w)
Material Details: on matting

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the possible interior of the Grandview Hotel. A young man is working behind the counter that holds a cash register and tobacco display case. A calendar for March 1913 advertises O.L. Harwood's Insurance, Real Estate, and Loans. Below the hotel's 35-room call box is an advertisement for the Public Stenographers Company. A postcard stand holds cards of Brandon's courthouse and other prominent buildings.

Notes: Date ascertained from calendar above counter.

Name Access: Grand View Hotel

Public Stenographers Company

Subject Access: hotels

building interiors

advertising tobacco cigar dealer

cigai dealei

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

# **Images**





# Grand View Hotel interior

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13714

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.23aAccession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate Range:1913

Physical Description: 7" x 5" (b/w)

Physical Condition: photograph is torn

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the possible interior of the Grandview Hotel. A young man is working behind the counter that holds a cash register and tobacco display case. A calendar for March 1913 advertises O.L. Harwood's Insurance, Real Estate, and Loans. Below the hotel's 35-room call box is an advertisement for the Public Stenographers Company. A postcard stand holds cards of Brandon's courthouse and other prominent buildings.

Notes: Date ascertained from calendar above counter. This photograph is a

duplicate of 20-2009.23 but is in sharper focus. Grand View is written in

pencil on the back of the photograph.

Name Access: Grand View Hotel

Public Stenographers Company

Subject Access: hotels

building interiors

advertising

tobacco

cigar dealer

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

## **Images**





# Dominion Exhibition Display Building II and midway

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13726

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.36Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate Range:1913

Physical Description: 4.5" x 3.75" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the midway at the 1913 Dominion Fair. Attractions include California Orange Juice stand and Patterson's Animal Trainer Show. The Dominion Exhibition Display Building II can be seen in the background.

Notes: Photograph appears to be a part of a sequence of photographs, see 20-

2009.30 to 20-2009.40

Name Access: Dominion Fair

**Dominion Exhibition** 

Dominion Exhibition Display Building II

Dome Building

Subject Access: fairs

exhibitions

building exteriors

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

## **Images**





# Interior of Cafe Aagaard

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13732

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 20-2009.42

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1903-1923]
Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (b/w)

Material Details: postcard

History / Biographical:

Opened 1903. Closed 1923. Building became the Oak Theatre ca. 1930. Reopened as Towne Cinema ca. 1980 after being closed for many years. The building has since been demolished.

Scope and Content:

Postcard shows the interior of the lunch counter and cashier register at Cafe Aagaard located at 29-8th Street Brandon.

Notes: Writing on the front of the postcard reads: Lunch Counter Cafe Aagaard,

29 Eigth St., Brandon, Man. The back of the postcard reads: Cafe Aagaard, Largest, Oldest and Best in Brandon. The postcard is

addressed to Mrs. K.L. McGregor, 157-4th St.

Name Access: Aagaard's

Cafe Aagaard

8th Street

Subject Access: restaurants

lunch counters building interiors store interiors restaurant interiors

cafes

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E9

#### **Images**





# Sewer pipe installation along 700 block of Rosser Avenue

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13736

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.46

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: ca. 1906

Physical Description: 6.5" x 4.25" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photographs have been glued to a backing board that has warped over

time

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of north side of Rosser Avenue, primarily the 700 block, along which sewer pipe is being laid. Visible buildings and businesses include: The Fleming Block with Lowes Brothers Clothing and Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company, the Beaubier Block and its Empire Hotel, A.M. Percival (a grocer), the Brandon Hardware Company (600 block), and the Arlington Hotel (500 block) are visible along the north side of the avenue. The Bank of Hamilton Building is on the southeast corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 290. Page appears

to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block

Empire Hotel

D.W. Beaubier Block

A.M. Percival

**Brandon Hardware Company** 

Arlington Hotel

Lowes Brothers Clothing

Subject Access: Street scene

downtown grocers storefronts

building exteriors

sewage construction

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

#### **Images**





# Winter logging camp

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13740

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.51

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [19--]

Physical Description: 9.75" x 6.5" (b/w)

Material Details: reproduction

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a group of 38 loggers outside their camp. The men are wearing long-sleeved shirts, sweaters, and coveralls. One man is holding a cat on his lap, another appears to be holding a rifle.

Subject Access: horses

Transportation

logging

lumber manufacturing

forestry lumbering

logging equipment

dogs cats winter

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

## **Images**





# 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 Raily" 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 occured 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 1-2002.3.1l2

#### **Images**





# Billy Muir's car c.1910

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13754

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

graphic

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.65

Accession Number: 20-2009

Date Range: c.1910

Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (b/w)

Material Details: postcard

History / Biographical:

GMD:

William "Billy" Muir came to Brandon in 1881 where he worked at the Coombs & Stewart general store. He became the proprietor of Brandon's first grocery store located on 138-6th Street. The building was demolished in 1952 (see Brandon Daily Sun 04 September 1952). According to correspondence in the McGuinness collection (see McG 1.2 File 22), Dr. Matheson brought the first car to Brandon, which he later sold to Muir. A note in McGuinness' papers (see McG 1.2 File 53) identifies the first motor car as a Hupmobile, which was purported to have arrived in Brandon in 1905. The Hupp Motor Car Company, however, is reported to have manufactured Hupmobiles between 1909 and 1940. Mrs. (Jessie) R.M. Coombs was Allena Strath's (nee Coombs) mother.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Postcard shows a woman, identified as Mrs. (Jessie) Robert M. Coombs, seated behind the wheel of a motor car.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: Mother Mrs. R. [Robert] M. Coombs in Billy

Muir's car, Brandon around 1908

Name Access: Billy Muir

William Muir

Mrs. Robert M. Coombs

Jessie Coombs

Wm. Muir General Grocer

Subject Access: Transportation

cars

automobiles motor cars

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

#### **Images**





# 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

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# William Muir General Grocer building

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13757

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

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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.

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E18

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