

Manitoba Brickmakers

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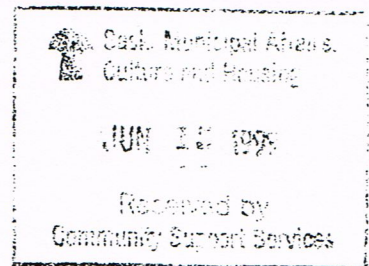
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Hi Frank,

Here is the invaluable Henry report on Manitoba brickmakers. I have added a few page markers/notes in regard to the SH/HS and A.S. Co. brick types.

Talk to you soon,

Larry Buhr

> 158 definite listings
> 9 maybes
> 6 questionables (little info. available)

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fm. H. Henry,
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ALTAMONT

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

Source of information:

c. 1904 - c. 1905
Snowdon and Company

may have been cement clay only
Cream brick from Baldur
Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files. "The High
Mountain: A History of the
Altamont, Manitoba District",
B. Swain, 1973

ASESSIPPI

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

(early 1890's) 1893 - 1902
John A. (Jack) Gill
(storekeeper)
along right bank of Bear Creek,
above confluence with Shell
River
Jim Monroe was the brickworks
foreman. Bill Hall and Cecil
Harvey were helpers. The bricks
were used for chimneys and
basement floors and several
buildings in Russell, including
the Graham Boulton home and the
W.J. Doig store (Russell
Hardware)
"Assissippi Townsite"
Historic Resources Branch,
Government of Manitoba, 1981, p.4
"Ghost Towns of Manitoba"
H. Mulligan and W. Ryder, 1985,
pp.100-102
"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Roblin Planning
District", Karen Nicholson,
Historic Resources Branch, 1985
(unpublished) p.146

- SH/HS : p.23

- A.S.Co. : pp. 11, 24, 25

→ A. Snyder + M. Snyder

BALMORAL

1. Dates of operation: before 1920
Owner/operator: Winnipeg Supply and Fuel Company
Location: NW 1/4 31-14-2-E1, 1 1/2 miles north of Balmoral (possibly Twp 15)

Related information: soft-mud, common brick
Source of information: "Report on Manitoba Clays", Walsh, 1931 (Dept. of Energy and Mines files)
2. Dates of operation: c. 1910 - c. 1919
Owner/operator: Balmoral Brick Company Limited
Location: NW 1/4 1-14-2-W1
Related information: location questionable; letters patent 1910; offices likely in Winnipeg, but no tax record

Source of information: Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files, Henderson Directories 1916-1919, Manitoba Gazette 1910
3. Dates of operation: c. 1910
Owner/operator: J.H. McClure
Location: Fabis farm (1972)
Related information: bricks used in construction of school and Slater's office

Source of information: "Balmoral: 1872-1972", N. Gorman

BEAUSEJOUR

1. Dates of operation: 1906 - c. 1916
Owner/operator: Jim Turner
Location:
Related information: sand-lime brick plant; bought by Dominion Glass; Beausejour Hotel built of this brick

Source of information: Annual Report, Geological Survey of Canada, 1916, p. 178, Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files, "They Stopped at a Good Place: A History of the Beausejour, Brokenhead, Garson and Tyndall Area of Manitoba, 1875-1981, 1982, p. 448

BRANDON

1. Dates of operation: 1882
Owner/operator: Alexander Lang
Location: southern limits of Brandon (1882)
Related information: employed about 15 people
Source of information: "Brandon Manitoba and her Industries"
Steen and Boyce ed. and pub., 1882, p. 44
2. Dates of operation: c. 1882 - 1890's
Owner/operator: McVicar's Brick Yard
Location: (Dougald McVicar)
3 miles west of Brandon
Related information: "Ghost Towns of Manitoba"
Source of information: H. Mulligan and W. Ryder, 1985, p. 76
"Brandon: An Architectural Walking Tour" Manitoba Culture Heritage and Recreation, 1985
3. Dates of operation: c. 1904 - c. 1914
Owner/operator: The Brandon Brick and Lumber Co. Ltd. (H. Sampson et.al.)
Location: likely in town (corner of 29th Ave. and Princess St.? - Walsh)
Related information: received letters patent of incorporation, 1903; see source
Source of information: "The Canadian Architect and Builder", Sept., 1904
4. Dates of operation: c. 1904 - c. 1908
Owner/operator: Brandon Sand-Lime Brick Works
Location: 1 mile west of Brandon
Related information: see source
Source of information: "Preliminary Report on the Limestones and the Lime Industry of Manitoba", J. Walter Wells, Mines Branch, Ottawa, report #7, 1905, p. 68
5. Dates of operation: c. 1909 - c. 1914
Owner/operator: Silicate Brick Company
Location: west of town (possible site of Brandon Sand-Lime Brick Works)
Related information: closed due to lack of sales
Source of information: Preliminary Report on the Clay and Shale Deposits of the Western Provinces", H. Ries and J. Keele, Canada Department of Mines, Geological Survey Branch, 1912, p. 26

6. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

c. 1909 - ?

Robinson Bell

E 1/2 10-10-19-W1 (1 1/2 miles from town)

soft-mud bricks burned in scove kilns, also small down-draft kiln for face bricks

"Preliminary Report on the Clay and Shale Deposits of the Western Provinces", H. Ries and J. Keele, Canada Department of Mines, Geological Survey Branch, 1912, pp. 25-26

7. Dates of operation:

Owner/ operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

c. 1900

Brandon Brick Works

Henderson Northwest Directory, 1900

8. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1926 - ?

Brandon Silicate Brick Co.

(owned by Alsip family, Winnipeg)

Alsip family documents

BROOKDALE

1. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1905 - 1912

R. Hales, W. Hales; Brookdale Brick and Tile Co. Ltd.

NE 1/4 26-12-16-W1, east of Brookdale

moved from Rapid City; letters patent 1908; building tiles and veneer brick produced in 1911 "Report on Manitoba Clays", Walsh, 1931, Department of Energy and Mines files;

Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files, "Rapid City and District: Our Past for the Future, p. 27; "Brookdale Community: 1878-1967", C. Simpson, p.11

CARBERRY

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

Source of information:

c. 1889, c.1891 - 1895
D. McVicar

(moved operations to Sidney,
c.1895)
"Carberrry Plains: Century
One", Carberry History
Committee, 1982; Henderson
Northwest Directory, 1891

CARMAN

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:

Related information:

Source of Information:

1895 - c. 1907
George McCormick and Company
SW 1/4-30-6-4-W1 (northeast of
the old Carman Hospital; today
it is Ross Place)
sold soon after opening to
William Elliott; two or three
kilns operating; red and buff
bricks produced
"Up to Now: A Story of Dufferin
and Carman", p. 173
"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Boyne Planning
District", Karen Nicholson,
Historic Resources Branch, 1984,
pp. 61-64

2. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1895 - c. 1912
William Elliott
SW 1/4-30-6-4-W1 (northeast of
the old Carman Hospital; today
it is Ross Place)
two to three kilns operated on
Boyne River, one firing red
brick, one firing cream-
coloured brick. In 1901, 1
million brick were produced.
May also have been called
Carmen Brick Yard and operated
under P. Allan
Walsh survey
"Up to Now: A Story of Dufferin
and Carman", p. 173; "A Review
of the Heritage Resources of
Boyne Planning District", Karen
Nicholson, Historic Resources
Branch, 1984, pp. 61-64

3. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1914
Canada Tile and Fireproofing Co.
Carman: E 1/2-25-6-5-W1;
northwest side of town, north
of Canadian Northern Railroad
venture promoted by Carman
Board of Trade; limited
production; plant dismantled in
1924
"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Boyne Planning
District", Karen Nicholson,
Historic Resources Branch, 1984,
pp. 61-64

CYPRESS RIVER

1. Dates of Operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:
Source of information:

c. 1905 - c.1915
NE 1/4-1-7-13-W1
Assiniboine delta clay
"The Clays and Shales of
Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne,
Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, 1970, p.92; "Report
on Manitoba Clays", Walsh,
1931, Department of Energy and
Mines files

2. Dates of Operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:
Source of information:

c. 1905 - c. 1915
Thomas A. Foster (starts 1907)
NW 1/4-8-7-12-W1
Assiniboine delta clay, 180,000
bricks in 1907
"The Clays and Shales of
Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne,
Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, 1970, p.92,

DARLINGFORD

1. Dates of Operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:
Source of information:

c. 1898 - c. 1910
Whalen's Brick and Tile
3/4 miles west of village, north
of railroad
"The Darlingford Saga: 1870-
1970", Darlingford Historical
Book Committee, 1972, p. 29

2. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

c. 1910 - c. 1911

Darlingford Brick and Tile Co. Ltd.

3/4 miles west of village, south of railroad

letters patent 1910; capital stock only \$5,000.

Manitoba Gazette, 1910; Geological Survey of Canada Annual Report, 1909-1911; "The Darlingford Saga: 1870-1970", Darlingford Historical Book Committee, 1972, p. 29

DELEAU

1. Dates of Operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

c. 1892

Alex Colleaux, Jos. Nannon, Jos. Gatin

north of Deleau

Bricks were used for construction of local houses, Roman Catholic church, and schools. One other brickworks may have operated shortly after.

"The Story of Deleau", Bob Robson, Manitoba Pageant, Vol. 8, No. 2, (Jan. '63), p. 4

"Hartney and District, 1882 - 1957", 75th anniversary celebration souvenir book, 1957, p. 21

DELORRAINE

1. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1894

W.H. Cameron and W. S. Barker near Whitewater station (lot 2,3 and 4, block 26, town of Deloraine)

sold to W.R. David

"A Review of the Heritage Resources of Del-Win Planning District", Karen Nicholson, Historic Resources Branch, 1989 (unpublished) sec. III, pp.37-40
"Report on Manitoba Clays", Walsh, 1931, Department of Energy and Mines files

2. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

1896 - c. 1906
W.R. David
near Deloraine race track
In 1900 supplied brick to C.P.R.
to build stations further up
the line. 1901-02 supplied
brick to Melita, Killarney,
Crystal City and Morden. 200,000
- 250,000 bricks per kiln
firing; three firings per
season. Operation rented to
A.B. Laird from 1903 - 1906.
Possibly called Deloraine Brick
Yard.

Source of information:

"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Del-Win Planning
District", Karen Nicholson,
Historic Resources Branch, 1989
(unpublished) sec. III, pp.37-40
Henderson Northwest Directory,
1900

~~3. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:~~

~~1908 - 1910
W.H. Atkinson
near Deloraine race track
either rented or bought from
W.R. David~~

~~Source of information:~~

~~"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Del-Win Planning
District", Karen Nicholson,
Historic Resources Branch, 1989
(unpublished) sec. III, pp.37-40
Henderson Northwest Directory,
1900~~

4. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

1899
Bert Laird and T. McGarvey
Deloraine
pressed brick; unsuccessful
venture

Source of information:

"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Del-Win Planning
District", Karen Nicholson,
Historic Resources Branch, 1989
(unpublished) sec III, pp.37-40

DOUGLAS

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:
Source of information:

c. 1905
R. Dennie

Dennie possibly landowner only
Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files

EDEN

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

1889 - c. 1896
William Currie and Company
W 1/2-22-16-15-W1
buff coloured bricks; 16 men
employed during season; Currie
had farm implement dealership
in Neepawa as well
"East of the Mountain", Eden-
Birnie History Book, p. 7
"Neepawa: An Architectural
Walking Tour" Manitoba Culture,
Heritage and Recreation, 1987
The Colonist (magazine),
September 1896, pp. 80.86,98

Source of information:

EDRANS

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator
Location:
Related information:

1901 - 1903
Blackwoods
west of the village
sold to ~~Edrans Brick Co.~~ Dry
Pressed Brick Co. Ltd. in 1903
"Carberry Plains: Century One",
Carberry History Committee, 1982
p. 78

Source of information:

2. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

1927 - 1931
National Clay Products Limited
in village of Edrans
tapestry brick produced, see
source
"Report on Manitoba Clays",
Walsh, 1931, Department of
Energy and Mines files

Source of information:

3. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator
Location:
Related information:

1938 - 1940, 1948 - 1949
Western Clay Products Limited
35-12-13-W1
Under supervision of W.E. Hales,
bricks also produced in 1949.
Stiff-mud, wire-cut bricks.
Two up-draft, two down-draft
kilns.
Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files

Source of information:

4. Dates of operation: c. 1905 - ?
Owner/operator: Edrans-Brandon Pressed Brick Co.
Ltd.
Location: Edrans
Related information: received letters patent of
incorporation, 1905
Source of information: Manitoba Gazette, 1905

EMERSON

1. Dates of operation: c. 1873
Owner/operator
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: "Manitoba and the Great
Northwest", John Macoun, 1882,
p. 475

2. Dates of operation: c. 1878 - c. 1880
Owner/operator: K. McRae and D. Ferguson, later,
D. Ferguson and Co.
Location:
~~Related information:~~
Source of information: "Emerson 1875-1975: A Centennial
History", p. 18, 38, Henderson
Directory, 1880

3. Dates of operation: c. 1880
Owner/operator: P. Phillippe
~~Location:~~
~~Related information:~~
Source of information: Henderson Directory, 1880

GILBERT PLAINS

1. Dates of operation: 1902 - 1907
Owner/operator: James and George Eastment
Location: east of the village
Related information: supplied brick for Brickburn
School, 1902; 315,000 bricks
made in 1907
Source of information: "Gilbert Plains Historical
Highlights", J.L. Parker, 1981
(weekly supplement to Gilbert
Plains Maple Leaf, local
newspaper)

2. Dates of operation: 1905 - ?
Owner/operator: Joseph Rowlett
Location:
Related information: 320,000 brick in first year
Source of information: Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files

3. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1910 - c. 1915

A. Snyder and Company

1 1/2 miles east of village on Canadian Northern Railway soft-mud bricks; scove kilns; 250,000 bricks per kiln; buff-coloured bricks

"Preliminary Report on the Clay and Shale Deposits of the Western Provinces" Canada Department of Mines, Geological Surveys Branch, 1912, pp.30-31

4. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1926, 1929 only

M. Snyder (1926), M. Snyder and Sons (1929)

"Annual Report of the Mineral Production of Canada", Canada Dominion Bureau of Statistics: Mining, Metallurgical and Chemical Branch, 1925-1929

5. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1928 only

Gilbert Plains Brick

from M. Snyder

"Annual Report of the Mineral Production of Canada", Canada Dominion Bureau of Statistics: Mining, Metallurgical and Chemical Branch, 1928, 1929

GLADSTONE

1. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1897 - 1913

Magnus Wilson

in town, adjacent to Whitemud River

shipped bricks to many nearby towns; was blacksmith by trade; produced several styles of decorative brick; property owned by grandson R.D.Wilson (1992)

family documents

4.5 Co. - bricks
↓
Also P. la Prairie

GLOSSOP

1. Dates of operation: c. 1909
Owner/operator: Jack and Harry Sage and Bob and Joe Partridge
Location: SE 1/4-6-16-21-W1
Related information: Mr. Partridge may have owned the land
Mr. Bull was the brickmaker
Source of information: Bruce Delgarno, Newdale, Manitoba, 849-2193 (landowner in 1992)
"Newdale 1870-1970", Newdale Historical Society, 1970, p.57 (land location given in book is inaccurate)

GRAND VALLEY

1. Dates of operation: 1880 - 1882
Owner/operator: Dougald McVicar
Location: Grand Valley townsite, east of Brandon (now part of Brandon)
Related information: Grand Valley was abandoned c. 1882, with most inhabitants moving west to nearby Brandon
Source of information: "Ghost Towns of Manitoba", H. Mulligan and W. Ryder, 1985, pp. 75,76

HARTNEY

1. Dates of operation: 1895 - c. 1900
Owner/operator: H. Payne
Location: west of town, NE 1/4-16-6-23-W1; also northeast of town (1897)
Related information: H. Payne moved from Souris; red brick and white brick produced
Source of information: "The mere living: a biography of the Hartney district", H. Parkinson, 1957, pp. 169-171
Henderson Northwest Directory, 1900; Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files

2. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

c. 1897 - c. 1914

William Kirkland (Hartney Brick Works)

1/2 mile north of town,
NE 1/4-16-6-23-W1

soft-mud bricks; drain tile and hollow blocks may have been produced after 1910; scove kilns; 1,000,000 bricks produced in 1909 with most shipped to Regina for construction of Legislative building; white brick; poplar for fuel brought from Pembina Hills

"Preliminary Report on the Clay and Shale Deposits of the Western Provinces", H. Ries and J. Keele, Canada Department of Mines, Geological Survey Branch, 1912, pp. 24-25,
"A Century of Living: Hartney 1882-1982, Hartney and District Historical Committee, p. 4, 8"

3. Dates of Operation:

Owner/ operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

c. 1900

G. Sackville

source may not be reliable
Henderson Northwest Directory, 1900

HOLLAND

1. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Sources of information:

1895 - 1897

F. H. Dagg and Mawhinney

kiln capacity of 115,000 brick; 13 men employed; brickworks supervised by Mr. Fix of Portage la Prairie

"Holland Manitoba: 1877-1967", Holland History Committee, 1967, p.25

2. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Sources of information:

c. 1900 - c. 1905

F.H. Dagg

Henderson Northwest Directory, 1900; Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files

LAC DU BONNET

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:

1901
Lac du Bonnet Mining,
Development and Manufacturing
Company (A. McIntosh)
(8-15-11-E1)
bank of the Winnipeg River
dry-press common, red brick;
may also have been a brickyard
by W. Tallman
Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files

Location:
Related information:

Source of information:

2. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:

1901 - 1923
J. D. MacArthur Company Ltd.
(Lac du Bonnet Mining
Development and Manufacturing
Company sold to John D.
McArthur in 1901)

Location:
Related information:

NE 1/4-17-15-11-E1
By 1919, fifty men were
employed; common and pressed
brick; Walter Wardrop (Dave M.
Wardrop's father) was a partner
in the company; moved to
Whitemouth in 1923

Source of information:

"Logs and Lines From the
Winnipeg River: A History of
the Lac du Bonnet Area", Lac du
Bonnet Pioneer Club, 1980,
pp. 164-166;

"Report on Manitoba Clays",
Walsh, 1931, Department of
Energy and Mines files, Annual
Report of the Mineral
Production of Canada (Canada
Dominion Bureau of Statistics:
Mining, Metallurgical and
Chemical Branch) 1921-1924

LA RIVIERE

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:
Source of information:

c. 1912
M. McLean
SE 1/4-18-4-9-W1
soft mud brick; only a few made
"Report on Manitoba Clays",
Walsh, 1931, Department of
Energy and Mines files

2. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

c.1911 - c.1921

Canada Brick Tile and Fire
Company

SW 1/4-30-3-9-W1, west bank of
Mary Jane Creek, in town
pressed brick using Pierre,
Cretaceous shale

Mineral Resources of Manitoba,
Wallace, 1925, p.18;

"The Clays and Shales of
Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne,
Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, 1970, p.63;

"Report on Manitoba Clays",
Walsh, 1931, Department of
Energy and Mines files;
Geological Survey of Canada
Annual Report, 1909-11

LAVENHAM

1. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

c. 1912 - 1914

SW 1/4-6-10-10-W1 (2 1/2 miles
N.E. of village)

soft-mud, common, buff-coloured
brick

"Report on Manitoba Clays",
Walsh, 1931, Department of Energy
and Mines files

LEARY

1. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1900 - 1904

Boyne Valley Brick Company
(George Leary)

SW 1/4-13-6-8-W1

common and pressed brick, light
red in colour; scove kiln and
circular, down-draft kiln

"Pembina Country: Land of
Promise", Miami Museum Inc.,
1974, pp.87-89;

The Times (newspaper) Treherne,
Jan. 19, 1987, pp.15-16;

family papers;

"The Clays and Shales of
Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne,
Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, 1970, p.47

2. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1904 - 1910

Dominion Pressed Brick Company Limited

SW 1/4-13-6-8-W1

financial difficulties forced initial investors to sell; Hon. R.P. Roblin was one of new owners; letters patent 1905

"Pembina Country: Land of Promise", Miami Museum Inc., 1974, pp.87-89;

The Times (newspaper) Treherne, Jan. 19, 1987, pp.15-16;

family papers;

"The Clays and Shales of Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne, Department of Mines and Natural Resources, 1970, p.47

3. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1910 - 1917

George Leary (Leary Brick Works)

SW 1/4-13-6-8-W1

poor demand for brick during W.W.I one factor in closing

"Pembina Country: Land of Promise", Miami Museum Inc., 1974, pp.87-89;

The Times (newspaper) Treherne, Jan. 19, 1987, pp.15-16;

family papers;

"The Clays and Shales of Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne, Department of Mines and Natural Resources, 1970, p.47

4. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

1947 - 1952
William Leary
SW 1/4-13-6-8-W1
William was son of George Leary.
Machinery re-conditioned and
buildings re-built. Production
ceased with William's death in
1953. Site purchased by E.
Tallman in 1962 but sold back
to Mrs. Leary after
unsuccessful test firing.
"Pembina Country: Land of
Promise", Miami Museum Inc.,
1974, pp.87-89;
The Times (newspaper) Treherne,
Jan. 19, 1987, pp.15-16;
family papers;
"The Clays and Shales of
Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne,
Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, 1970, p.47

Source of information:

5. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

1962
~~E. Tallman (Tallman Products)~~
SW 1/4-13-6-8-W1
100,000 bricks fired in test;
unsuccessful; property sold
back to Mrs. Leary
Manitoba Department of Energy
Mines files;
Leary family documents

Source of information:

LOCKPORT

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:

1971 - 1990

Red River Brick and Tile Company
(parent company was I-XL
Industries Ltd., Medicine Hat,
Alberta)

Location:

Lockport

Related information:

Quarry at Ste. Rose du Lac
provided most of the clay for
production. Clay and sand also
quarried northeast of
Beausejour and at
l.s.d. 15-4-23-15-W1. Capacity
was 15 million bricks per year.
Operated below capacity.

Employed 30 people for nine
months of the year. Produced
building bricks in three sizes
and twelve shades; also two
sizes of paving brick. Manitoba
was primary market, but also
sold in Alberta, Ontario, and
Saskatchewan.

Source of information:

"Industrial Minerals in
Manitoba", Manitoba Energy and
Mines, 1989, p. 20;
company brochures;

"The Clays and Shales of
Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne,
Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, 1970, p.22;
interview with Bob Hurley,
General Production Manager, Red
River Brick and Tile Company,
May 1992

MANIGOTAGAN

Dates of operation:

1909 - 1913

Owner/operator:

Manigotagan River settlement

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

"The Clays and Shales of
Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne,
Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, 1970, p.85

MELITA

Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:

Location:
Related information:

Source of information:

1905 - c. 1910
Melita Brick and Tile Company
(J. Dobbyn et.al.)
NW 1/4-30-3-26-W1
soft-mud, common bricks, red in
colour
most production used locally;
some shipped to Regina
Melita History Book

MILLWOOD

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:

Related information:
Source of information:

1904 - 1906
Robert Myers
1 1/2 miles south of Millwood,
near railway tracks

"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Russell-Binscarth
Planning District", Karen
Nicholson, Historic Resources
Branch, 1987 (unpublished), p.110

2. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:

Related information:
Source of information:

1907
Farrand and Sage
south of Northern elevator,
Millwood

"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Russell-Binscarth
Planning District", Karen
Nicholson, Historic Resources
Branch, 1987 (unpublished), p.110

3. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:

Related information:
Source of information:

1908
W.B. Davis
north of Millwood; also
NW 1/4-14-20-29-W1

two sites
"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Russell-Binscarth
Planning District", Karen
Nicholson, Historic Resources
Branch, 1987 (unpublished), p.110

MINNEDOSA

Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:

c. 1912
S. Fairbairn
in Minnedosa, next to river;
clay also brought in from SE
1/4-1-15-17-W1 (near Franklin)
and Clanwilliam area
serviced local demand only; one
other brickyard may have been
in operation at Minnedosa, but
no information has been
gathered; Fairbairn was
furniture dealer, undertaker,
and building contractor, and
was ordering bricks from
Galdstone in 1909

Related information:

Source of information:

Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files; "Minnedosa
Memories: A History of
Minnedosa and Surrounding
Districts, 1958; interview
with Bob Mummery, Minnedosa;
"Minnedosa Valley Views",
Minnedosa Centennial Committee,
1982, p.181; M. Wilson
(Gladstone brickmaker) account
book

MORDEN

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:
Source of information:

c. 1890 - c. 1915
D. MacGregor
south of town

"Architectural Heritage: The
MSTW Planning District",
Manitoba Culture, Heritage and
Recreation, 1984, p.144;
"Morden, Mort Cheval,
Pinancewaywinning, Lake
Agassiz", Morden Centennial
Committee, 1981, p.8

2. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:
Source of information:

1937 - c. 1938
E.H. Spencer

"Annual Report of the Mineral
Production of Canada", Canada
Dominion Bureau of Statistics:
Mining, Metallurgical and
Chemical Branch, 1937

MORRIS

1. Dates of operation: c. 1876 - 1881
Owner/operator: Mr. Russell, later Russell and Gallie
Location: on river bank, between the two railways
Related information: bricks sold for \$10.00 per 1000
Source of information: Winnipeg Free Press, July 15, 1876
"Furrows in the Valley", R.M. of Morris, Manitoba, 1980, p.14
2. Dates of operation: 1881
Owner/operator: Wright Brothers
Location: possibly bought from Russell
Related information:
Source of information:
3. Dates of operation: 1904 - 1907
Owner/operator: A. Chisolm et al
Location: possibly former Wright brothers operation
Related information:
Source of information:
4. Dates of operation: late 1800's
Owner/operator: Wilton et al
Location: north end of town, west side of C.P.R. tracks
Related information: "Furrows in the Valley", R.M. of Morris, Manitoba, 1980, p.15
Source of information:
5. Dates of operation: 1908 - c. 1914
Owner/operator: A. McCutcheon (Morris Brick Manufacturing Co. Ltd.- letters patent, 1907)
Location: 1/2 mile southwest of town, along the Canadian Northern railway, (NW 1/4-33-4-1-E1)
Related information: McCutcheon formerly owned brickyard in Winnipeg. May have bought out A. Chisholm operation.
Source of information: "Preliminary Report on the Clay and Shale Deposits of the Western Provinces", H. Ries and J. Keele, Canada Department of Mines, (Geological Survey Branch), 1912, p.20

NEEPAWA

Dates of operation: 1905 - 1912
Owner/operator: Neepawa Brick Company
(J.A. Roberts)
Location: 1 mile south of town, beside
Canadian Northern railway,
NW 1/4-21-14-15-W1
Related information: Two down-draft kilns with
capacity of 100,000 bricks
each. Bricks are red in
colour; NBC in frog. Roberts
may have had brickworks as
early as 1900.
Source of information: "Preliminary Report on the Clay
and Shale Deposits of the
Western Provinces", H. Ries,
and J. Keele, Canada Department
of Mines (Geological Survey
Branch), 1913, pp. 27-28.
Neepawa Heritage Book, p.42

NINGA

Dates of operation: c. 1895 - c. 1899
Owner/operator: W. Maloney
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: Henderson Northwest Directory,
1895 - 1899

OAK LAKE

Dates of operation: 1894 - 1897
Owner/operator: Amable and Roger Marion
Location: On eastern shore of Oak Lake, at
level area north of the island
listed in Henderson Northwest
Directories from 1898 - 1900,
but may not be reliable
information
Source of information: "A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Virden - Wallace
Planning District", Karen
Nicholson, Historic Resources
Branch, 1986

SH/HS
bricks

PILOT MOUND

Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:

1881 - c. 1915

1. Carson
2. H. Steadman
3. T. Dearlove

Location:

SW 1/4-21-3-11-W1

Related information:

soft mud bricks

Source of information:

"Memories of Pioneer Days at Pilot Mound", William Reid, 1930; "Report on Manitoba Clays", Walsh, 1931, Department of Energy and Mines files

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE

1. Dates of operation:

1873

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

~~2. Dates of operation:~~

~~1880~~

~~Owner/operator:~~

~~W. Turber~~

~~Location:~~

~~Related information:~~

~~Source of information:~~

Henderson Directory, 1880;
"Manitoba and the Great Northwest", John Macoun, p.479

3. Dates of operation:

c.1888 - 1894

Owner/operator:

Smith Brick Plant (W.P.Smith)

Location:

east of town

Related information:

Source of information:

"Early Architecture of Portage la Prairie", Manitoba Department of Cultural Affairs and Historic Resources, 1983
Henderson Directory, 1891

4. Dates of operation:

c. 1892 - c. 1908

Owner/operator:

H. S. Stephens

Location:

east of town, most southerly 7 acres of Parish lot 70, north of C.P.R. tracks

Related information:

Source of information:

"Report on Manitoba Clays", Walsh, 1931, (Department of Energy and Mines files)

AS Co. bricks
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(see
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5. Dates of operation: c. 1900 - c. 1905
Owner/operator: J.R. MacDonald
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: Henderson Northwest Directory,
1900
6. Dates of operation: 1903 - 1910
Owner/operator: Snyder Brothers Brick Yard
Location: corner of Lee St. and Pacific
Ave. .
Related information:
Source of information: Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files
7. Dates of operation: 1910 - 1930
Owner/operator: A. Snyder and Company Limited
Location:
Related information: received letters patent of
incorporation, 1910;
most likely a re-organization of
Snyder Brothers Brick Co.
Source of information: "Report on Manitoba Clays",
Walsh, 1931, Manitoba
Department of Energy and Mines
files; "Annual Report of the
Mineral Production of Canada",
Canada Dominion Bureau of
Statistics: Mining,
Metallurgical and Chemical
Branch
8. Dates of operation: c. 1908 - 1915
Owner/operator: Whimster's Brick Plant
(J. Whimster)
Location: 10 acres inlot 120, immediately
south of C.N.R. tracks
Related information:
Source of information: "Report on Manitoba Clays",
Walsh, 1931, (Department of
Energy and Mines files)

AS Co.
bricks here
also

9. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:

1909 - 1922
Stephens Brick Company Limited
old plant on lot 70, north of
Canadian Pacific Railway, 1/4
mile east of the station. New
plant on lot 119, south of
C.N.R. (most northerly 12 acres)
evolved from H. Stephens; two
soft-mud brick machines; ten
down-draft, continuous kilns;
1909 production was 8.5
million; low production since
1914; see source

Related information:

Source of information:

"Preliminary Report on the Clay
and Shale Deposits of the
Western Provinces", H. Ries and
J. Keele, Canada Department of
Mines, Geological Survey
Branch, 1912, pp. 21-23;
"Report on Manitoba Clays",
Walsh 1931, Manitoba Department
of Energy and Mines files

~~10. Dates of operation:~~
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

~~1930 - 1940~~
Snyder Brickyard Limited
A. Snyder and Co. site
Closed as Snyder brothers were
getting old; also, economic
down-turn with World War II;
common, soft-mud brick;
electric power, coal fuel
Annual Report - Mines, 1930

Source of information:

11. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:

1945 - 1960
Alsip Brick, Tile and Lumber
Company Limited

Location:
Related information:

Snyder plant
Purchased from Snyder family
after sitting idle
Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files;

Source of information:

interview with Wayne Alsip,
April 1992

RAPID CITY

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

1873

one other brickyard indicated
at this time

Source of information:

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2. Dates of operation: c. 1880
Owner/operator: McLean
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: Henderson Directory, 1880
3. Dates of operation: 1881 - 1883
Owner/operator: C. Whellams
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: "Rapid City and District: Our Past for the Future", Rapid City Historical Book Society, 1978, p.8,9
4. Dates of operation: c. 1891 - c. 1895
Owner/operator: E. Jackson (E. Gossett-Jackson)
Location:
Related information: may have been building products
Source of information: Henderson Northwest Directory 1891 - 1895; "Rapid City and District: Our Past for the Future", Rapid City Historical Book Society, 1978, p.8,9
5. Dates of operation: c. 1895 - c. 1905
Owner/operator: Hales Brick Yard
Location:
Related information: sold bricks for Mental Hospital and Beaubier Hotel in Brandon, moved to Brookdale in 1906
Source of information: "Rapid City and District: Our Past for the Future", Rapid City Historical Book Society, 1978, p.22-27
6. Dates of operation: 1914
Owner/operator: Cloutier and George
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: "Rapid City and District: Our Past for the Future", Rapid City Historical Book Society, 1978, p.32
7. Dates of operation: c. 1921
Owner/operator: Soldiers' Settlement Board
Location: SE 1/4-18-13-19-W1
Related information: soft mud bricks
Source of information: Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files

8. Dates of operation: c. 1921
Owner/operator:
Location: NW 1/4-20-13-19-W1
Related information:
Source of information: "Report on Manitoba Clays",
Walsh, 1931, Manitoba Department
of Energy and Mines files

RUSSELL

Dates of operation: c. 1900
Owner/operator: J. Edel
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files; Henderson
Northwest Directory, 1900

ST. BONIFACE

1. Dates of operation: c. 1880 - c. 1881
~~Owner/operator:~~
Location: ~~Pion and Chartier~~
Related information: may only have been contractors
Source of information: Henderson Directory, 1880, 1881
2. Dates of operation: c. 1881 - c. 1905, c. 1920
Owner/operator: Thomas Kelly, later
Kelly Brothers, also Thomas
Kelly and Sons Ltd. (1920)
Location: St. Boniface
Related information: Kelly Brothers were also major
building contractors for a
number of years, so their
involvement with brickmaking is
unclear
Source of information: MANCON Report, Winnipeg
Construction Association, 80th
anniversary issue, 1984
Henderson Directory, 1894-1906,
1920
3. Dates of operation: 1905 - 1909
Owner/operator: A. McCutcheon and Company
Location:
Related information: clay deposit ran out, so moved
to Morris to set up operation;
may have been contractor with
McCutcheon and Fischer c. 1899 -
c. 1903
Source of information: Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files

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4. Dates of operation: c. 1903 - c. 1906
Owner/operator: Couture Brothers
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: Henderson Directory, 1903-1906
5. Dates of operation: c. 1905
Owner/operator: Amable Marion
Location: Plinquet Street
Related information:
Source of information: Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files
6. Dates of operation: 1906 - c. 1910
Owner/operator: Coture and Marion (also spelled Couture)
Location: 71 Plinquet St., St. Boniface
Related information: moved to Somerset
Source of information: Henderson Directory, 1906-1909
7. Dates of operation: 1922 - 1938 (1936?)
Owner/operator: Marion Brick Company Limited
Location: Plinquet Street; pit located one mile from plant
Related information:
Source of information: Fire Insurance Maps, The Western Canada Fire Underwriters Association, c. 1917; "Report on Manitoba Clays", Walsh, 1931, Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files; Annual Report of the Mineral Production of Canada (Canada Dominion Bureau of Statistics: Mining, Metallurgical and Chemical Branch) 1922-1937
8. Dates of operation: 1898 - c. 1903
Owner/operator: Callender and Alsip
Location: Nairn and Wolfe
Related information: Main plant in St. Boniface, south of Marion Street; pit located one mile from plant
Source of information: Winnipeg Daily Tribune, Saturday, May 7, 1898; Alsip family documents; (this entry also included under Winnipeg)

ST. JAMES

1. Dates of operation: 1871 -
Owner/operator: Charley Land
Location: along Omand's Creek, St. James
Related information: made chimney bricks
Source of information: "Ten Years in Winnipeg", A. Begg and W. Nursey, Winnipeg, 1879
2. Dates of operation: 1875 - c. 1880
Owner/operator: Ed Hooker
Location: on Sturgeon Creek
Related information: came from brickmaking family at Welland, Ontario; moved to Selkirk c. 1880 to make brick for new Mental Hospital
Source of information: interview with Frank Hooker, Selkirk, 482-4177; May, 1992
3. ~~Dates of operation:~~ 1883
~~Owner/operator:~~ St. James Brickworks
~~Location:~~ C.P.R. crossing, Portage Ave.
~~Related information:~~ W. Coerin, superintendent
~~Source of information:~~ Henderson Directory, 1883

SELKIRK

1. Dates of operation: c. 1891 - c. 1893
Owner/operator: J. Wilson
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: Henderson Northwest Directory, 1891-1893
2. Dates of operation: 1880 - c. 1886
Owner/operator: F.W. Colcough (Colcleugh),
Location: north side of town
Related information: Ed Hooker started brickworks to supply brick for Mental Hospital. Had previously made bricks on Sturgeon Creek (see St. James)
Source of information: Interview with Frank Hooker, Selkirk, 482-4177, May 1992; also, Henderson Directory, 1880

SELKIRK EAST

Dates of operation: c. 1891 - c. 1892
Owner/operator: I. Thomas
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: Henderson Northwest Directory,
1891

SIDNEY

1. Dates of operation: c. 1895 - 1899
Owner/operator: M. McVicar (possibly Dougald McVicar)
Location: 1/2 mile south of town
Related information:
Source of information: Henderson Northwest Directory,
1895-1899
2. Dates of operation: c. 1892 - c. 1900
Owner/operator: Davis Brothers Brick Yard
Location: NE 1/4-6-11-12-W1
Related information: "Carberry Plains: Century One",
Carberry History Committee,
1982, p. 186
Source of information: Henderson Northwest Directory,
1900
3. Dates of operation: 1909 - c. 1920
Owner/operator: Sidney Brick and Tile Company
Limited
Location: west of town
Related information: letters patent of incorporation,
1909; investors from England; 12
beehive kilns, bricks shipped to
Ontario, west, and into U.S.A.;
operation sold to Alsip
Source of information: "Carberry Plains: Century One",
Carberry History Committee,
1982, p.186, 189; also Alsip
papers and documents
4. Dates of operation: c. 1921 - 1927
Owner/operator: Sidney Brick and Clay Works
Limited
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: Annual Report of the Mineral
Production of Canada (Canada
Dominion Bureau of Statistics:
Mining, Metallurgical and
Chemical Branch), 1921-1928

5. Dates of operation: 1927 - c. 1931
 Owner/operator: Alsip Brick, Tile and Lumber Company Limited
 Location: SW 1/4-6-12-12-W1
 Related information: No brick production on site; clay shipped to Winnipeg?
 Source of information: "Report on Manitoba Clays", Walsh, 1931, Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files

SOMERSET

1. Dates of operation: 1903-1905
 Owner/operator: George Longbottom and Company
 Location: N 1/2-20-5-9-W1, 1/2 mile east of town, near the railway
 Related information:
 Source of information: "Memories of Lorne 1880-1980", Municipality of Lorne, 1980, p.156

2. Dates of operation: c. 1905 - 1912
 Owner/operator: Somerset Brick Company Limited
 Location: N 1/2-20-5-9-W1
 Related information: soft mud bricks; letters patent 1904
 Source of information: "Report on Manitoba Clays", Walsh, 1931, Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files

3. Dates of operation: c. 1910 - c. 1917
 Owner/operator: Coture and Marion (also spelled Couture)
 Location: east of village on Canadian Northern Railway
 Related information: moved plant from St. Boniface; soft mud bricks in scove kiln; red or buff in colour; 2 million bricks annual capacity; shipped west
 Source of information: "Preliminary Report on the Clay and Shale Deposits of the Western Provinces", H. Ries and J. Keele, Canada Department of Mines (Geological Survey Branch) 1912, pp. 26,27

SOURIS

Dates of operation:

c. 1894 - c. 1904

Owner/operator:

Squire Sowden, Souris Brick Yard

Location:

W 1/2-35-7-21-W1, 1 mile east of town

Related information:

soft-mud, common bricks

Source of information:

"Preliminary Report on the Clay and Shale Deposits of the Western Provinces", H. Ries and J. Keele, Canada Department of Mines (Geological Survey Branch) 1912, p.27; documents from Hillcrest Museum, Souris

SOURIS CITY

1. Dates of operation:

1881-1890

~~Owner/operator:~~

~~Young's Brick Yard~~

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

Wells Report, Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files

STONEY MOUNTAIN

1. Dates of operation:

1903 - 1906, 1908 - 1913

~~Owner/operator:~~

~~Corrections Canada~~

Location:

Penitentiary

Related information:

Source of information:

Sessional Papers of Canada, Reports of the Inspectors of Penitentiaries, Annual Report of the Warden, Stoney Mountain Penitentiary, 1903-1913

SWAN RIVER

Dates of operation:

1953 - 1955, 1959

~~Owner/operator:~~

~~Swan River Clay Products Limited~~

Location:

quarry at SW 1/4-10-37-26-W1; plant one mile north of town, next to C.N.R. tracks

Related information:

three up-draft kilns; wood for fuel; face brick

Source of information:

"The Clays and Shales of Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne, Department of Mines and Natural Resources, 1970, pp.6 and 31; Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files

THUNDER HILL

Dates of operation:

before 1905

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

Manitoba Department of Energy
Mines filesVIRDEN

1. Dates of operation:

1890

Owner/operator:

Sherif and Neden

Location:

one mile east of Virden (Gopher
Creek settlement)

SW 1/4-14-10-26-W1

Related information:

no marks in frog; coarse, red-
orange bricks; sold to Saul
and Irish

Source of information:

"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Virden - Wallace
Planning District", Karen
Nicholson, Historic Resources
Branch, 1986, pp. 118-119;
"The Virden Story", I. Clingan,
Virden, 1957, p. 57

2. Dates of operation:

1893 - 1902

Owner/operator:

Saul and Irish, later Saul only
(1899)

Location:

one mile east of Virden (Gopher
Creek settlement)

Related information:

from Sherif and Neden

Source of information:

"A Review of the Heritage
Resources of Virden - Wallace
Planning District", Karen
Nicholson, Historic Resources
Branch, 1986, pp. 118-119

3. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1905 - 1915

Viriden Brick and Tile Company Ltd. (Wainwright was manager for some years)

SW 1/4-14-10-26-W1

cream-coloured brick, used locally and shipped west; annual production capacity of 3 million brick; letters patent 1909; scove kilns, poplar from Riding Mountain

"A Review of the Heritage Resources of Viriden - Wallace Planning District", Karen Nicholson, Historic Resources Branch, 1986, pp. 118-119;

"The Viriden Story", I. Clingan, Viriden, 1957, p. 57;

"Anecdotes and Updates", Empire Publishing Company Ltd.,

Viriden, 1982, pp. 29, 30;

"Preliminary Report on the Clay and Shale Deposits of the Western Provinces", H. Ries and J. Keele, Canada Department of Mines, Geological Survey Branch, 1912 pp. 23, 24

4. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1923 -

Manitoba Clays and Building Supplies

acquired property in 1920, production began in 1923;

limited production, no sales

"A Review of the Heritage Resources of Viriden-Wallace Planning District", Karen Nicholson, Historic Resources Branch, 1986, pp. 118-119

WAWANESSA

1. Dates of operation:

Owner/operator:

Location:

Related information:

Source of information:

1897 - c. 1900

Chas Town, later, Naismith & Town (1899)

Henderson Northwest Directory, 1900

2. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:
Source of information:

c. 1890 - 1900
Britton's Brickyard
NE 1/4-14-7-17-W1, south of town
soft mud bricks
"Sipiweske: Light Through the
Trees:, Wawanesa and District
History Book Committee, 1988,
p.23; Manitoba Department of
Energy and Mines files

WHITEMOUTH

1. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:

Related information:
Source of information:

1923 -1925
D. Wardrop and Sons
1/2 mile south of town, along
railway
moved from Lac du Bonnet
Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files

2. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:

Source of information:

1926
McCutcheon
~~Remains idle until 1929, then~~
sold to Reliance Brick Co.
Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files

3. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:
Related information:
Source of information:

1929 only
Reliance Brick Company

sold to Wardrop in 1930
Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files

4. Dates of operation:
Owner/operator:
Location:

Related information:
Source of information:

1930 - 1945
D.M. Wardrop
N 1/2-35-11-11-E1, beside
C.P.R. tracks

"Report on Manitoba Clays",
Wardrop, 1931, Manitoba
Department of Energy and Mines
files

5. Dates of operation: 1945 - 1957
 Owner/operator: Alsip Brick, Tile and Lumber Company
 Location:
 Related information: 1 1/4 - 1 1/2 million brick made each summer with a high of 52 men working; bricks have ALSIP name in frog; buildings and machinery moved to Winnipeg, 1958
 Source of information: "Trails to Rails to Highways: A History of the Rural Municipality of Whitemouth", p.100

WINNIPEG

1. Dates of operation: 1871
 Owner/operator: Mr. Spice
 Location: close to Main Street, north of City Hall
 Related information:
 Source of information: "Ten Years In Winnipeg", A. Begg and W. Nursey, Winnipeg, 1879, p.35

2. Dates of operation: 1871
 Owner/operator: Manitoba Brick and Pottery Company
 Location:
 Related information:
 Source of information: "Ten Years in Winnipeg", A. Begg and W. Nursey, Winnipeg, 1879, p.32

3. Dates of operation: 1872
 Owner/operator: Dr. John Schultz
 Location:
 Related information:
 Source of information: "Ten Years in Winnipeg", A. Begg and W. Nursey, Winnipeg, 1879, p.32

4. Dates of operation: 1872
 Owner/operator: A.M. Brown
 Location: Point Douglas
 Related information:
 Source of information: "Ten Years in Winnipeg", A. Begg and W. Nursey, Winnipeg, 1879, p.66

5. Dates of operation: c. 1880 - c. 1881
Owner/operator: Brouse and Humberton
Location:
Related information: source may not be reliable
Source of information: Henderson Directory, 1880, 1881
6. Dates of operation: c. 1883
Owner/operator: Mould and Company
Location:
Related information: source may not be reliable
Source of information: Henderson Directory, 1880, 1881
7. Dates of operation: c. 1883
Owner/operator: Foley and Williams
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: City of Winnipeg, tax assessment roll
8. Dates of operation: c. 1883
Owner/operator: Winnipeg Brick Company
Location: Hargrave Block, Main Street
Related information: likely only brick retailer
Source of information: Henderson Directory, 1883
9. Dates of operation: c. 1891 - c. 1899
Owner/operator: W. Halpenny
Location: 266 McDermot Street at King
Related information: listed as coal, brick and wood dealer in 1890 Henderson Directory so may only have had retail business, (421 Main St.)
Source of information: Henderson Directories 1891-1899
10. Dates of operation: 1898 - c. 1903
Owner/operator: Callender and Alsip
Location: originally at Nairn and Wolfe, Main plant in St. Boniface, south of Marion Street; pit located one mile from plant
Related information: Winnipeg Daily Tribune, Saturday, May 7, 1898; Alsip family documents
Source of information:
11. Dates of operation: c. 1902 - 1905
Owner/operator: Pressed Brick and Tile Company Limited
Location: 170 Pacific (offices)
Related information: incorporated in 1902
Source of information: Henderson Directory, 1903-1906

12. Dates of operation: c. 1904 - 1907
Owner/operator: Manitoba Pressed Brick Company Limited
Location:
Related information:
Source of information: Manitoba Gazette 1904
13. Dates of operation: 1905 - 1907
Owner/operator: Standard Brick and Tile Company Limited
Location: lot 13, Kildonan (parish lot or D.G.S. No. 6 & 7W, plan 524, lot 1/4)
Related information:
Source of information: Henderson Directory, 1906-1910
Business Tax Assessment Roll, City of Winnipeg, 1907
14. Dates of operation: c. 1905 - c. 1915 - c. 1930
Owner/operator: Winnipeg Brick Company
Location: Osborne Street
Related information: sand-lime, common bricks; sand from Marchand, lime from Moose Horn (name of company used in 1883 also, no information available)
Source of information: "Report on Manitoba Clays", Walsh, 1931, Manitoba Department of Energy and Mines files; City of Winnipeg tax assessment roll, 1915, Henderson Directory, 1906-1909
15. Dates of operation: c. 1910 - 1914
Owner/operator: Gate City Brick Company Limited
Location:
Related information: letters patent 1910
Source of information: "Preliminary Report on the Clay and Shale Deposits of the Western Provinces", H. Ries and J. Keele, Canada Department of Mines, Geological Survey Branch, 1912, p.20; Henderson Directory, 1914

16. Dates of operation: 1913 - 1930
Owner/operator: D.D. Woods and Sons
Location: corner of Ross Avenue and
Arlington Street
Related information: sand-lime bricks; sand from
Smith Siding, lime from Moose
Horn; sideline to coal and
lumber business
Source of information: "Report on Manitoba Clays",
Walsh, 1931, Manitoba
Department of Energy and Mines
files; Annual Report -
Winnipeg Industrial Bureau,
1914, p. 133
17. Dates of operation: 1911 - 1914
Owner/operator: Winnipeg Sandstone Brick Co.
Location: Pembina Street, parish lot 31/5,
plan 208, block 11, lot 1 & 2
Related information: incorporated in 1910
Source of information: Henderson Directories
1911-1914; Business Tax
Assessment Roll, City of
Winnipeg, 1912
18. Dates of operation: c. 1914 - c. 1927
Owner/operator: Birds Hill Sandstone Brick
Company
Location: 1038 Arlington St. at Ross Ave.
Related information: sand from Smith's Siding, lime
from Spearhill; operated as sand
supply company since c. 1907
Source of information: Henderson Directory 1914-1919
19. Dates of operation: c. 1914 - c. 1927
Owner/operator: Winnipeg Brick and Fuel Company
Location: corner of Pembina and Mulvey
Streets
Related information: sand from Marchand, lime from
Spearhill
Source of information: Annual Reports - Winnipeg
Industrial Bureau, 1914, p.133
Henderson Directory, 1919
Fire Insurance Maps, The Western
Canada Fire Underwriters
Association, c. 1917;
"Mineral Resources of
Manitoba", 1925, p. 18

20. Dates of operation: c. 1915
Owner/operator: Winnipeg Clay Products Company
Location: corner of McPhillips Ave. and
Hern St.
Related information: clay shipped in from LaRiviere
and Morden; stock promotion
Source of information: Manitoba Department of Energy
and Mines files
21. Dates of operation: 1902 - 1957
Owner/operator: Alsip Brick, Tile and Lumber
Company Limited
Location: St. Boniface and Elmwood
district of Winnipeg; south
side of Nairn Street; quarry at
D.G.S. 69, St. Boniface
Related information: Was the major producer in the
province for most of the years
it operated. Alsip bought
Snyder operation in Portage La
Prairie and Whitemouth plant in
1945. They also had a quarry
at Sidney and Firdale. May
buildings in Winnipeg were
built with Alsip brick and the
company also exported to other
provinces and the U.S.A.
See sources for more
information.
Source of information: "The Clays and Shales of
Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne,
Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, 1970, pp.4,5; Fire
Insurance Maps, The Western
Canada Fire Underwriters
Associaton, c. 1918; Company
and family documents; "Report
on Manitoba Clays", R. Walsh,
1931, Manitoba Department of
Energy and Mines files
22. Dates of operation: 1947 - 1948
Owner/operator: Marion Brick, Tile and Clay
Products Limited
Location: Old Kildonan, Winnipeg
Related information: This was a new plant but was
destroyed by fire in 1948 and
not rebuilt
Source of information: "The Clays and Shales of
Manitoba", Barry Bannatyne,
Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, 1970, p.5

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Other Companies which may have been involved in brick production:

Manitoba Composite Brick Manufacturing Company Limited
letters patent 1903
Red River Valley Brick Company
letters patent 1905
Acme Brick Company Limited
(sand-lime) letters patent 1907
Pinto Coal and Brick Company
letters patent 1909
Modern Pressed Brick and Stone Company Limited
letters patent 1910
Western Fire Clay Products Limited
letters patent 1906
Lennadosa Brick Works (corner of Alfred and Sinclair)
c. 1906 Henderson Directory
Reliance Clay Products Company
c. 1919 Henderson Directory
Winnipeg Clay Products Limited
c. 1925 "Mineral Resources of Manitoba", 1925, p.18

QUESTIONABLE BRICK WORKS

Rat Portage Brick Co. Ltd. - Rat Portage
(Henderson Northwest Directory, 1900)

M. Lamontagne - St. Boniface
(Henderson Northwest Directory, 1900)

Tyndall - "The Mineral Resources of Manitoba" R.C.
Wallace, Industrial Development Board of
Manitoba, 1925, p. 17

Gunton - "The Mineral Resources of Manitoba" R.C.
Wallace, Industrial Development Board of
Manitoba, 1925, p. 17

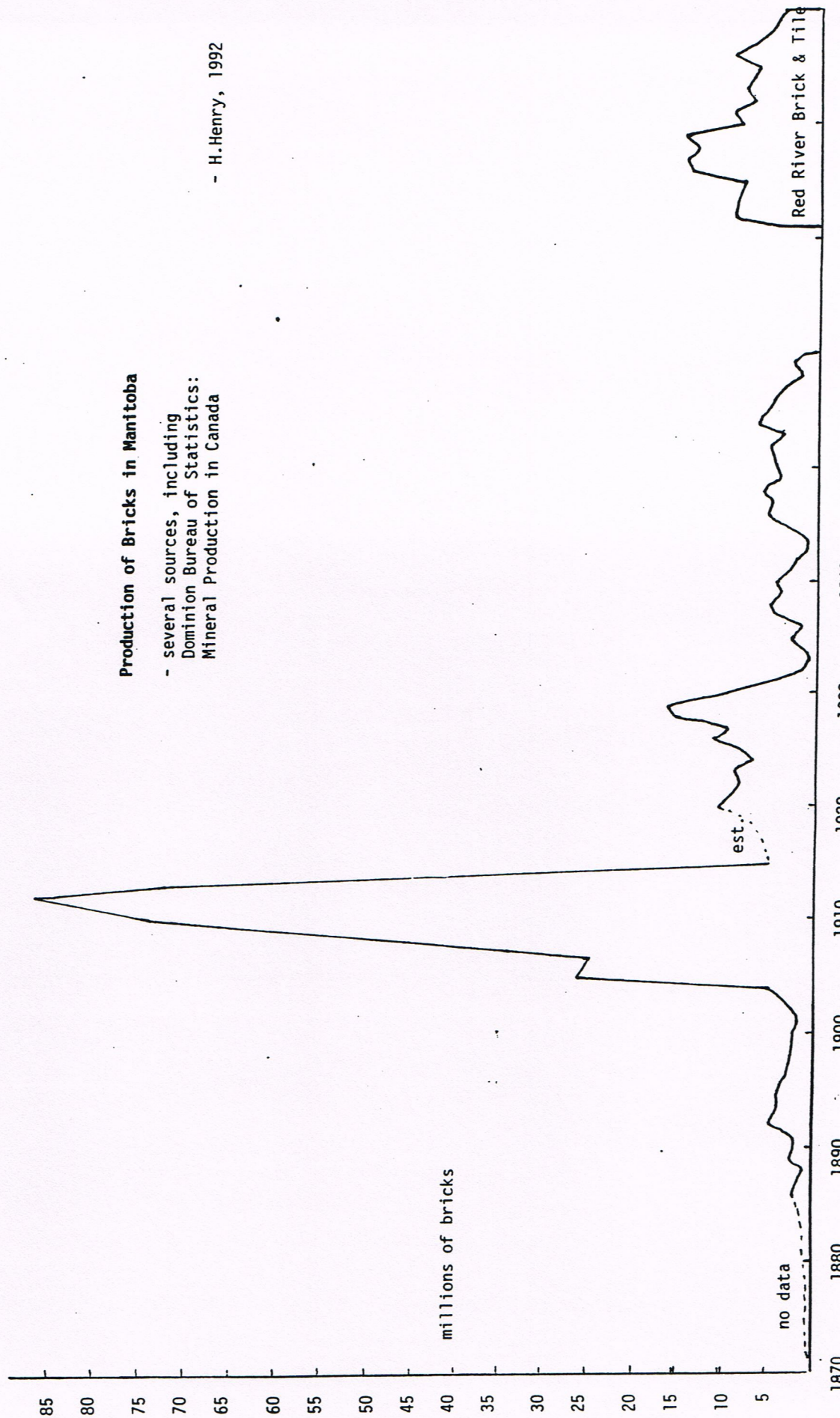
Morris Brick Manufacturing Company Limited
letters patent 1907

Killarney - "The Clays and Shales of Manitoba", B.
Bannatyne, Department of Mines and Natural
Resources, 1970

Production of Bricks in Manitoba

- several sources, including
Dominion Bureau of Statistics:
Mineral Production in Canada

- H. Henry, 1992



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NOTE: (1) Names in quotes indicate multiple names of owners/operators, and may possible have been the name for the company. However, this is purely speculative.

NOTE: (2) (Brickmaker) refers to plant owner or operator.

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