

313 Stephen Street



This is an example of a simple modest commercial building from the late 1890's. The covered steps into a vestibule give space for the showcases either side.

J. T. Acheson had this building constructed and established the Retail Company Store in 1896. The business later became Acheson Grocers and encompassed 313 and 317 Stephen Street. Sons Harold and Bill Acheson took over the business in 1920. They operated the grocery out of 317 Stephen, while son-in-law B. L. Martin operated the dry goods section at this location.

In 1946, Ron, Perry and Don George established George Bros. Electric Co. at this address and operated here until at least 1962. For a number of years, a McLeod's Store occupied this location.

The Factory Clearance Centre was opened in 1978 by Marilyn Skubovius, selling clothing from the Gemini Outerwear Co. of Morden. The business was renamed Stephen Street Wear in 1988.