## THE OLD POST OFFICE

Staying in touch with family and friends was very important to the pioneer families. The first Post Office in Plum Creek was opened on March 1, 1882, in a store owned and operated by John Dolmage. It stood where "The Specialty Shop" was. Carter Brindle brought the mail from Brandon 6 days a week by stagecoach. In 1890, mail delivery from Brandon was by train, as the tracks had reached Plum Creek. Plum Creek was the name of the community that was created where the Plum Creek met the Souris River. However, according to postal records, this place was always known to them as Souris.

In 1910 a new Post Office building was built on the Crescent. It remained in operation until January 1975, when a newer Post Office was built on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street South. In September of 1975 the Souris Fellowship Club was formed and met in the former Oddfellows Hall. In October 1977 the Club acquired the former Post Office building and after renovating the upstairs suites and the basement they were in business. The building became known as the Drop-In Centre and declared a Heritage Building in 1990. As the Post Office was, the Drop-In Centre is a place to meet and visit with friends.



First Store and Post Office in Souris
owned by John Dolmage. Carter Brindle and his post express in front of the Post Office.
Mr. Brindle drove both mail and passengers in to Brandon and back.

