The Fitzgerald Building was constructed in 1912 and originally housed the departments of chemistry and physics. Its affiliation with the Manitoba Agricultural College was evident in the projecting gabled area on the second floor, which featured the College’s crest. The outline of the crest remains. The building was designed to be completely fireproof and was furnished with the most modern apparatus of the era for the teaching of agricultural chemistry, soils, drainage, mathematics, and general physics, including electricity and magnetism.