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Janesville Fire Department

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ASSOCIATION*

JANESVILLE, WIS., JULY 1st, 1902

BISSELL & DOUGHERTY, Compilers
L. A. DOUGLAS, Official Photographer



CITY HALL.

TO THE PUBLIC.



IN presenting this work to the public, the Janesville Fire Department desires to express their appreciation of the very liberal patronage they have received from the citizens in making it such a grand success. The chief object of the work has been to promote the best interests of its patrons and to secure for them a fair representation in this and other districts. And now, that the work is completed and has passed into the hands of the most enterprising people of the City of Janesville and surrounding country, our most sanguine expectations have been realized. Neither time nor space will permit an extended review here. We desire to state, however, and with some force, too, that every page of this souvenir contains matter of importance to the general public, and deserves the most careful scrutiny of one and all.

Very respectfully,

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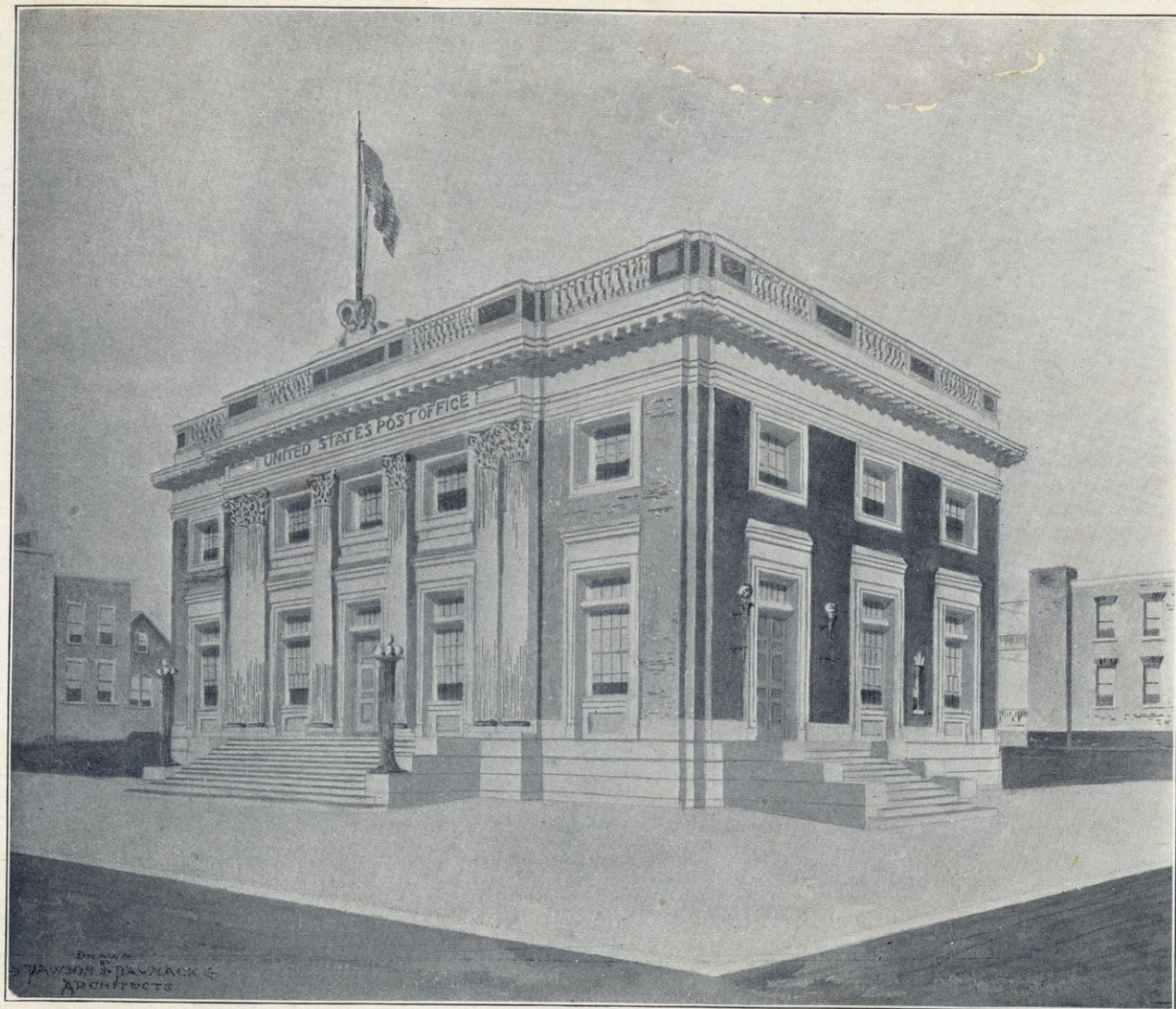


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ROCK COUNTY COURT HOUSE.



MAYOR VICTOR P. RICHARDSON.



THE NEW POSTOFFICE BUILDING.

HISTORICAL SKETCH



It is not the intention of the compilers of this book to write a verbose history of the Fire Department; but a historical sketch, covering a period of over fifty years, must necessarily be brief when confined to the space allotted in this book. It will also be unsatisfactory, when you consider what might be said concerning the many interesting experiences of the men who composed its membership; it would also require the gift of language and enthusiasm of the old time heroes of the Volunteer Fire Department to do justice to these experiences. In 1852 the Janesville Fire Depart-

ment was first organized, and was at that time a "bucket brigade" with Robert Christie at its head, and was composed of willing volunteers who did valiant service with buckets and hand pumps to quench the flames that threatened disaster to the village. Under Mr. Christie's administration a home-made hook and ladder truck was procured, and for the want of a better place it was kept on the bank of the river in the rear of where J. M. Bostwick & Sons' dry goods store now stands. In 1853 the Stevens House was burned, and this prompted the common council to take action in purchasing more suitable fire apparatus. It was not, however, until June 25, 1855, that two engines of the Button pattern were received. They were shipped by way of the Erie canal and the lakes to Milwaukee, thence by rail to Janesville. In the interim two fire companies had been organized—Rock River Engine Company No. 1, Water Witch Engine Company No. 2—Frank S. Lawrence was elected foreman of No. 1 and William Kemp of No. 2; Gilbert Dolson was elected the first chief engineer of the Janesville Fire Department, and under his administration two fire stations for the accommodation of the two hand engines were built on the sites of the present stations. For some years no improvements of importance were made in the department with the exception of the addition of a hook and ladder company, of which J. B. Rothchild was elected foreman; this company was located in a rented building south of the Bennett marble works on North Franklin street. In 1856 Ira Justin, Jr., was elected chief engineer, which office he held with credit to himself and the department until 1861, when he was succeeded by W. B. Britton, who resigned in September, 1861, to become a captain in the Eighth Wisconsin Volunteers. James Hemming was appointed to fill vacancy and was re-

elected in 1862; he was succeeded by Wm. M. Burt; in 1864 Wm. T. Paul was elected, serving one year; in 1865 he was succeeded by Sylvester Foord, Jr., who served until 1867, when Henry Richards was elected chief. In 1868 James Clark was elected and under his administration two steam fire engines were purchased. In 1869 John R. Hodson became chief engineer, but removed from the city and Randall Williams was appointed to fill vacancy and was re-elected in 1870; he was succeeded by R. P. Young in 1871—he being succeeded in 1872 by James Shearer. In 1873 Colonel W. B. Britton, who had served a part of a term in 1861, was re-elected chief engineer and served one term, he was re-elected in 1874, and resigned June 24 of the same year, J. W. St. John being appointed July 8 to fill vacancy and was re-elected in 1875, but resigned to become mayor the following May, and John T. Wilcox was appointed, who was succeeded in 1876 by Peter Gliem, who was followed by H. W. Dewey. R. P. Young, who had served one term in 1871, was re-elected in 1878; he was succeeded by Wm. Cunningham in 1879. In 1880 R. P. Young was again elected serving until April 22, 1882, when he resigned; John Kelly was appointed to fill vacancy. In 1883 Thos. T. Croft was elected chief, but resigned September 3 to become mayor. James Foster was appointed in September, 1883, to fill vacancy, and was re-elected in 1884. In 1885 John C. Spencer was elected chief engineer and was re-elected in 1886. Under his administration many improvements in the Fire Department were made. Up to this time all the fire apparatus was drawn by men "holding the drag ropes" and taking the places of the horses of today; this was quickly changed, the old hose carts were disposed of and four-wheeled carriages, drawn by horses, were procured; horses were hired for service on the engines and drivers were paid to be ready at all times. The membership of the department was reduced to a minimum and a part paid "call system" was adopted; contracts were made for an alarm system, which was not placed in operation, however, until the fall of 1887, and consisted at that time of twenty street boxes, one tower striker, two indicators and gongs and seven miles of wire. In 1887 Henry Blunk took up the work left by Chief Spencer and did good and valiant service until 1892; during his administration the water works was built and many improvements made in the Fire Department, including the purchase of the aerial hook and ladder truck. In 1890 H. C. Klein was appointed city electrician, with detailed supervision over the entire fire alarm system, which position he has held ever since with credit to himself and

the city. Under his supervision many improvements have been made until to-day the fire alarm system stands second to none in cities the size of Janesville. Thirty-five street boxes have been added, making a total of fifty-five in all; one four-circuit repeater, one automatic box transmitter—from which any box in the city can be pulled from the central station, making a much needed device for striking telephone alarms—a complete system of fuses for fire alarm protection, both being invented by Mr. Klein, who is, also, the inventor of several other useful devices in connection with the fire alarm system. Electro-mechanical gongs have been placed in the water works and fire-stations, and ink-writing register in each fire station, large gongs in the chief's and assistant chief's residences, and call bells in the homes of every member of the department and in business houses where members preside. In 1892 John C. Spencer was again appointed chief, which position he now holds; having previously served the city well in other positions in the department, he took up the increased responsibilities with energy and skill and continued the work of improving the department. Sack Company No. 1 was organized March 17, 1855, the company consisting of twenty members. The duties are to take charge of property at fires, to guard buildings and do general police duty at such times, the members are under the control of the chief engineer and constitute a part of the Fire Department of the City of Janesville. All members are sworn in as special police and have the same powers as any police officer. From 1855 to 1889 the company had kept its original number—twenty members—many of the business and professional men of the city having served in its ranks. In 1889 the members saw the need of re-organizing for the purpose of doing more effective duty at fires, and the name of the company was changed to "Janesville Fire Police," a committee was appointed to purchase an outfit to consist of a wagon, horses and all the necessary paraphernalia to be found in a first class fire patrol wagon. Soon after the wagon was put into service the company tendered the same to the city or any person needing it for ambulance duty; a stretcher was made to fit the wagon, and, since that time, the wagon has responded to hundreds of calls for duty, carrying injured persons to their homes or to the hospital. The ambulance equipment consists of two stretchers, six blankets, two air-pillows, and one satchel containing a full supply of bandages, restoratives, etc., necessary for accidents. The Fire Police is an institution that Janesville can well feel proud of. The organization is composed entirely of business and professional men, maintained by them—with the use of the 2 per cent. insurance tax and house room for horses and wagon and forage for horses—and all the paraphernalia is the personal property of the company. The ambulance corps is always at the call of the citizens and all that is needed for a quick response is to notify either of the fire stations. On April 19, 1897, the membership of the Fire Department was placed under the control of the civil service commission working under the state law, when Dr. J. B. Whiting, Jr., was appointed

examining physician. The present board of commissioners consists of George M. McKey, W. S. Jeffris, C. P. McLean, and Thomas S. Nolan. This board is non-partisan and has the same jurisdiction over the police department, this assures the city of good and intelligent members of these two most important departments of our city government. This, in substance, is the history of the Fire Department. Of the many men who have served in its ranks a majority are now sleeping in the "Silent City of the Dead," where the alarm bells fail to awake them, and the officer's trumpet meets with no response, but of those who still remain will be found many who have been prominent and active in their efforts for the welfare of the city and will always have a kindly feeling towards the boys who go to fires, whether they run with "der masheen" or are carried there by fleet-footed horses. Of the present Fire Department, with its splendid equipment of officers, men, horses and apparatus, much might be said, but happily its record speaks for itself as its prompt response to the many calls made upon it and its effective work performed, places it on a par with any paid department in cities the size of Janesville and even with those of much larger cities.

The roster of the Fire Department at the present time is:

Chief—JOHN C. SPENCER.

Assistant Chief—GEO. H. OSGOOD.

Captains—THOMAS F. ABBOTT, GEO. M. McKEY.

City Electrician—H. C. KLEIN.

Engineer of Steamer—A. W. BAUMANN.

Drivers—WILLIAM A. SCOTT, PATRICK H. GALLAGER, PETER D. CHAMPION, BENJAMIN BARRIAGE.

Hose and Laddermen—JAMES C. MCGINLEY, WILLIAM DOHNEY, M. P. BIRMINGHAM, JAMES P. GILLISPIE, HENRY C. CULLEN, JOHN ALDRICH, WILLIAM CONROY, C. J. MURPHY, CHARLES I. YOUNG, FRED B. KENYON, BENJAMIN DUGAN.

The members of the Fire Police Company, together with their occupations, are as follows:

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E. W. LOWELL, 1st WARD.

W. S. RICE, 1st, WARD.

GROUP OF ALDERMEN.

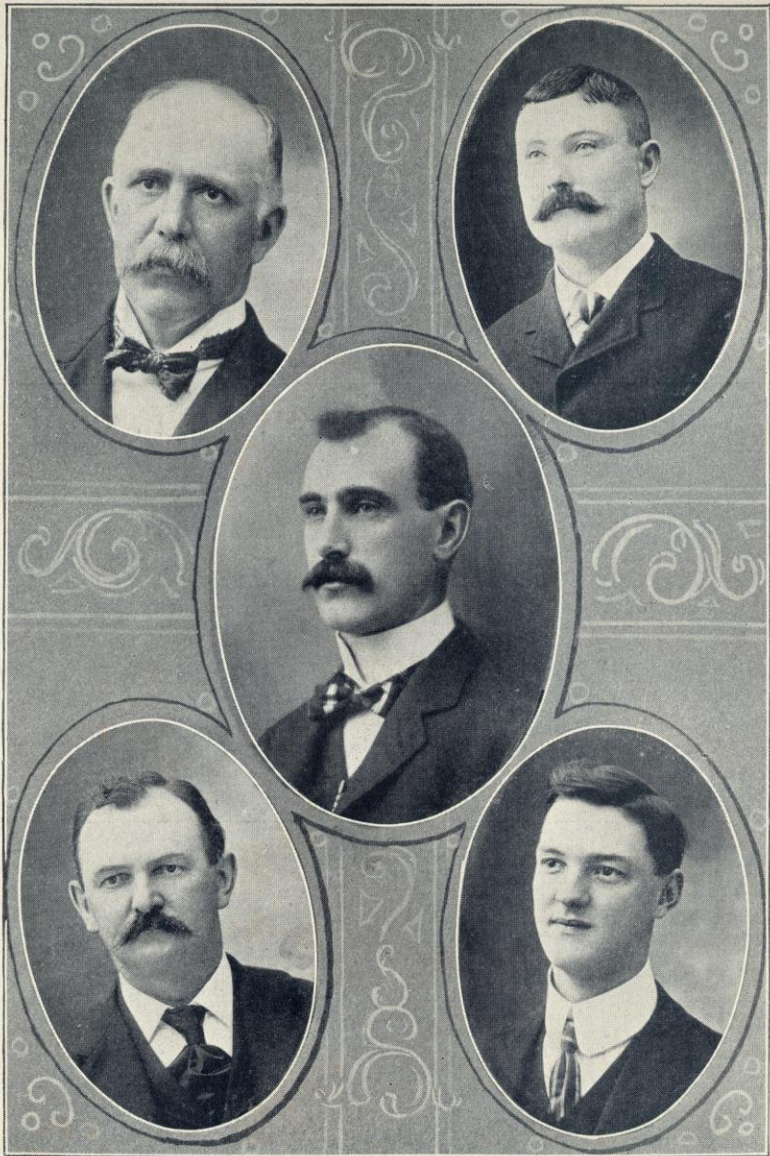
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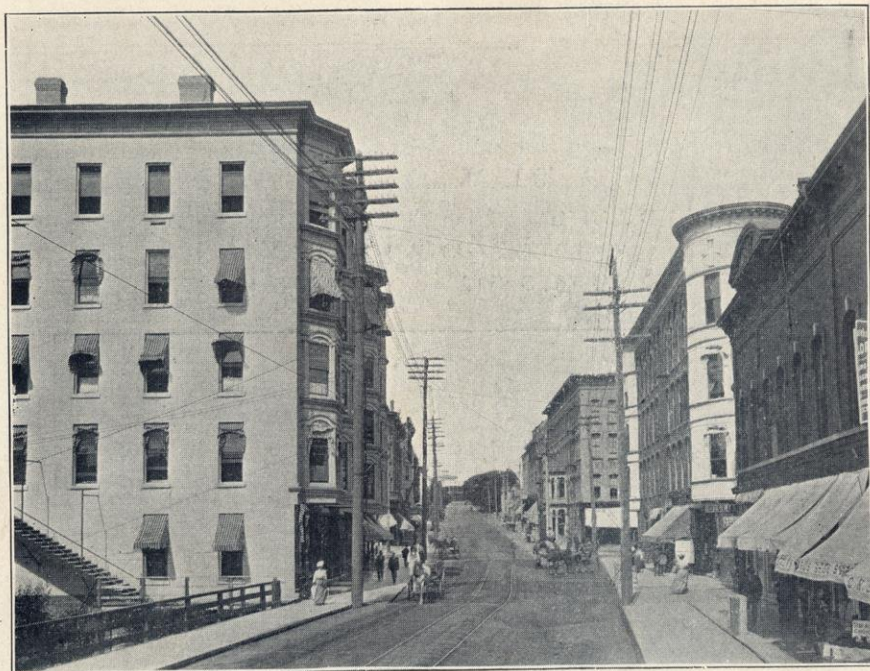
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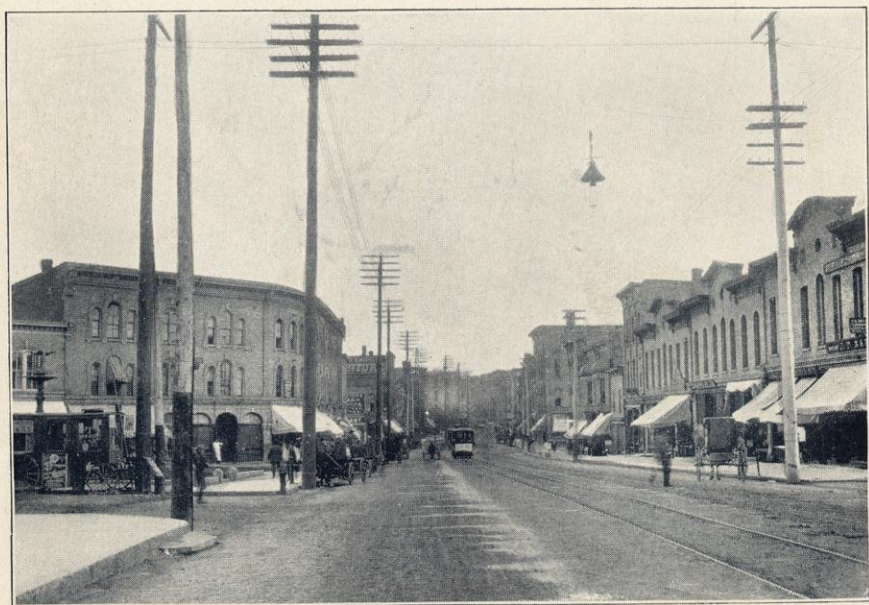
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CITY OFFICERS.

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MILWAUKEE STREET,
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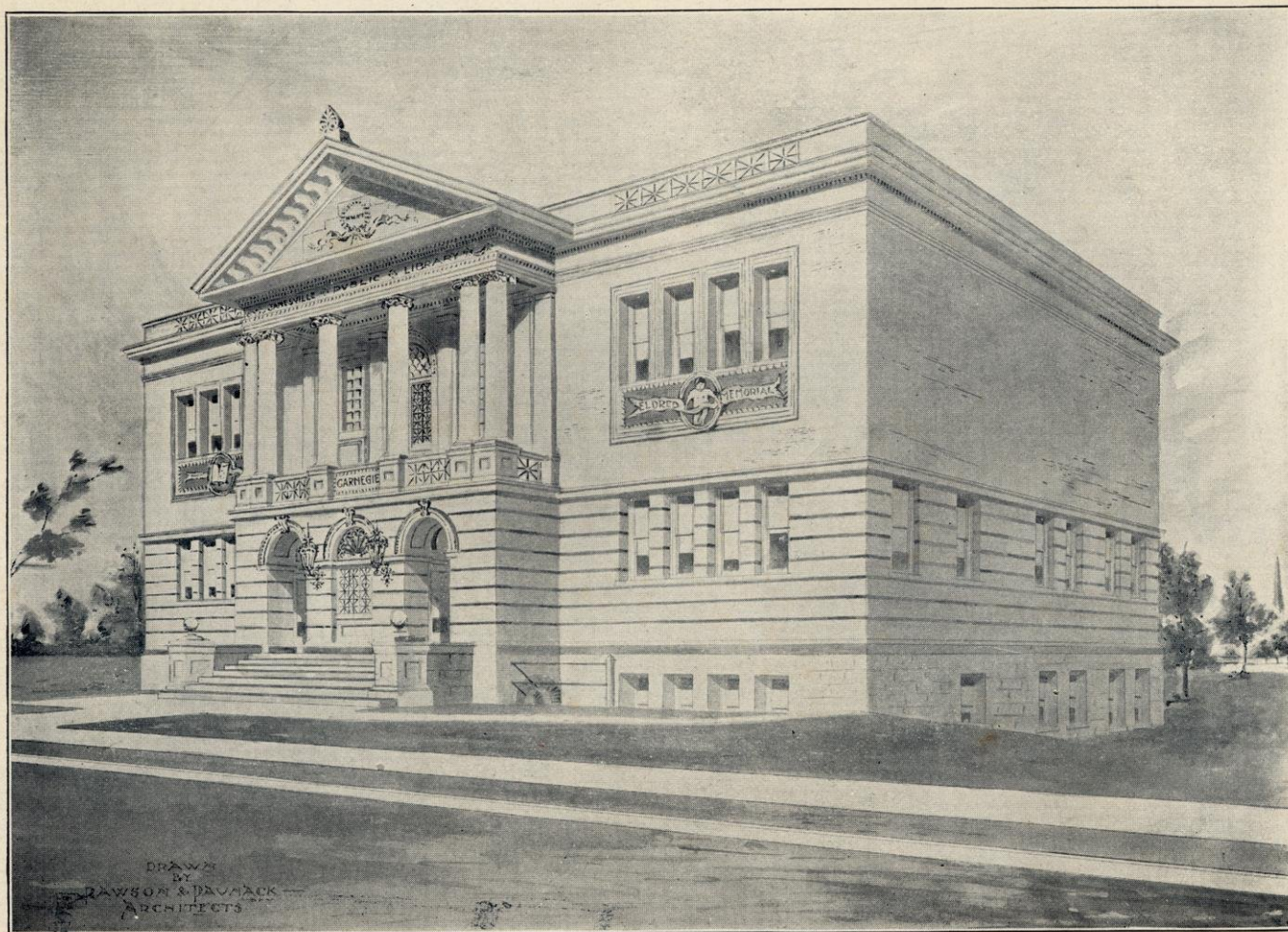
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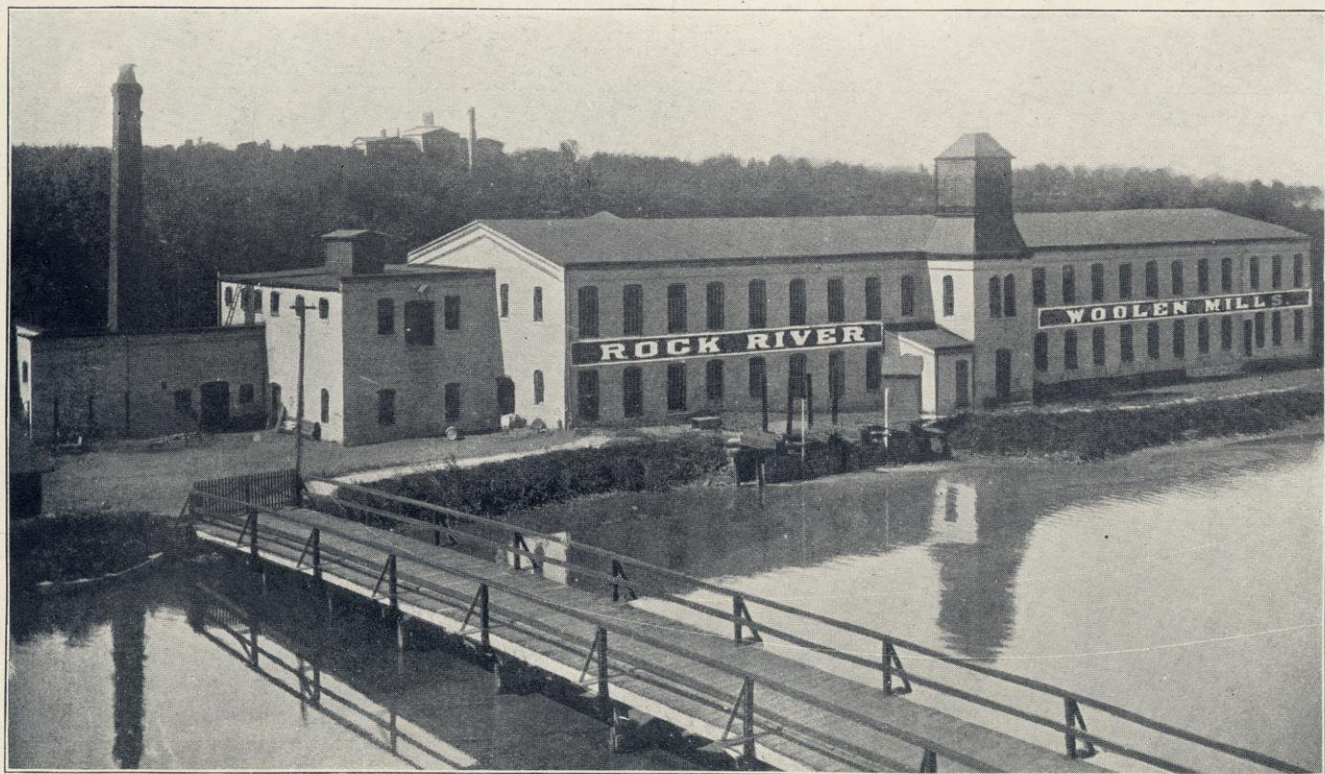


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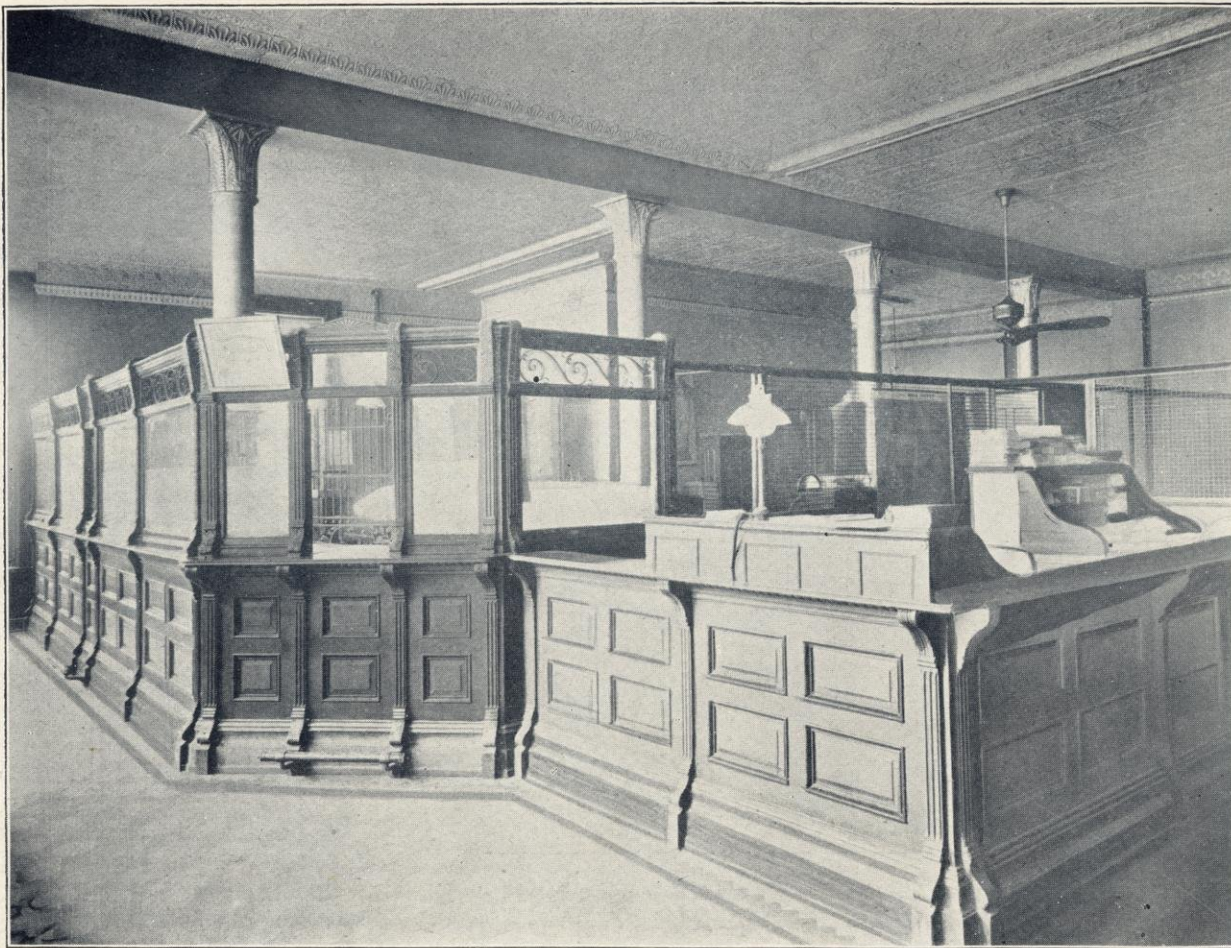


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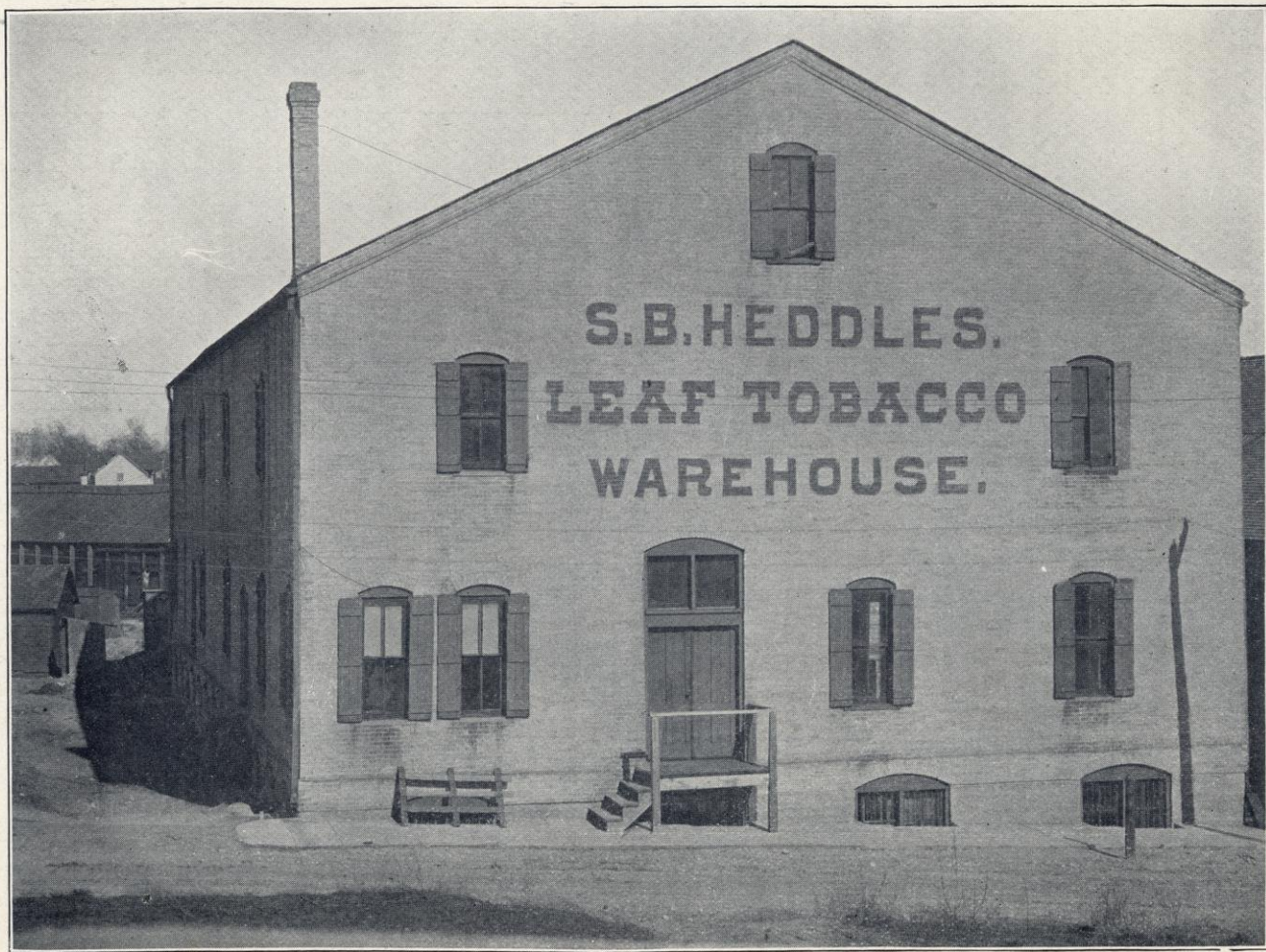


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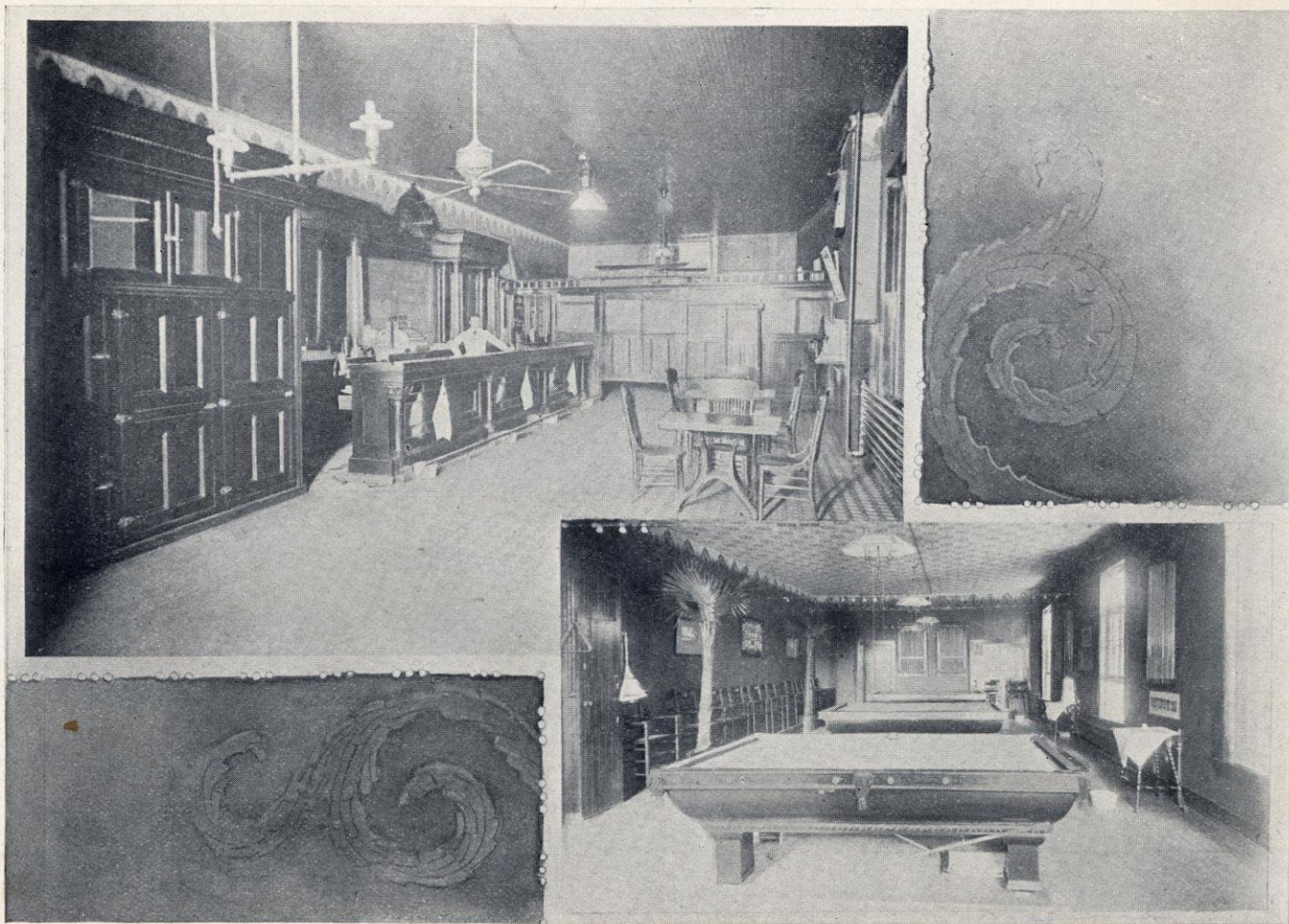


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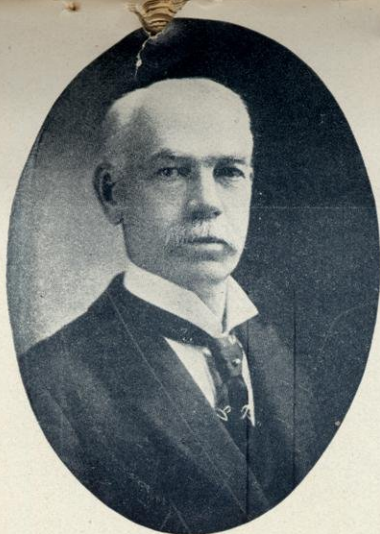
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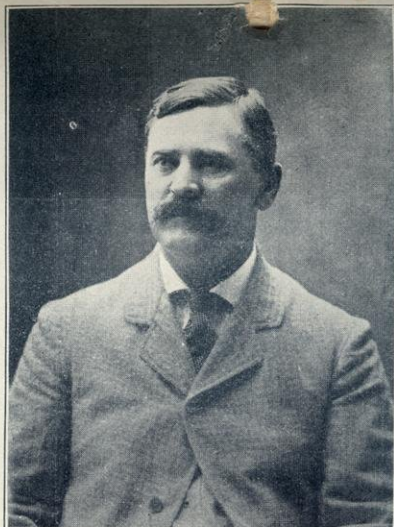
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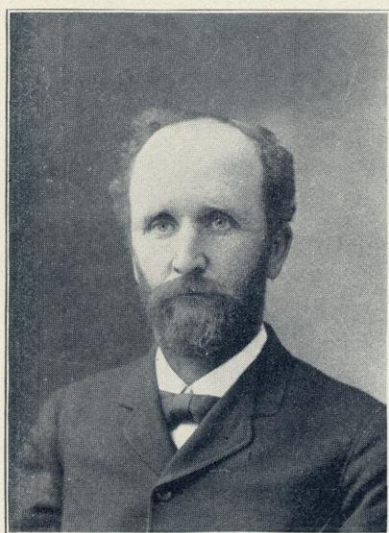
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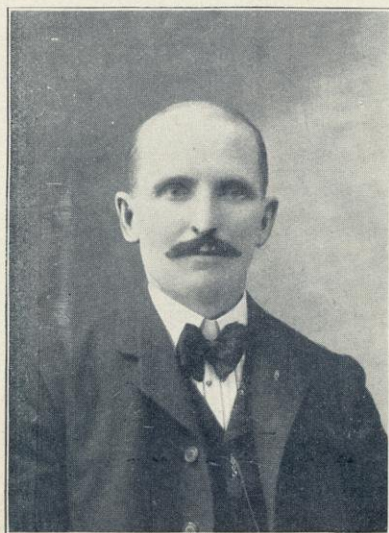
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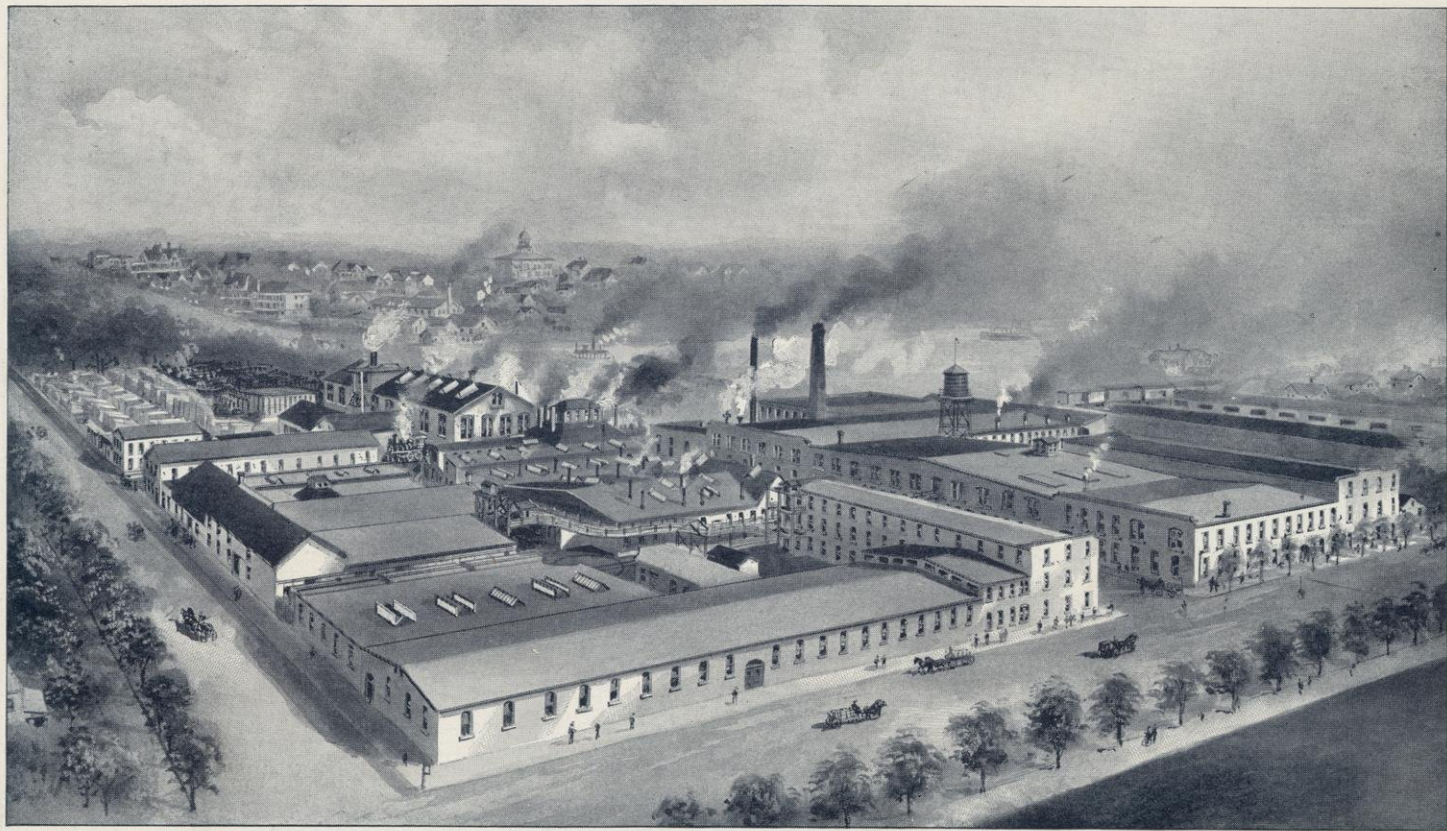
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THE FIRE STEAMER AT WORK AT THE ARMOUR STREET
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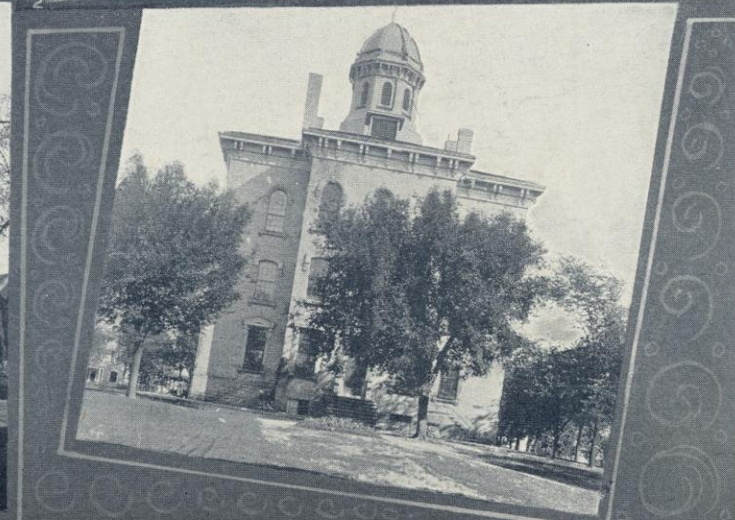
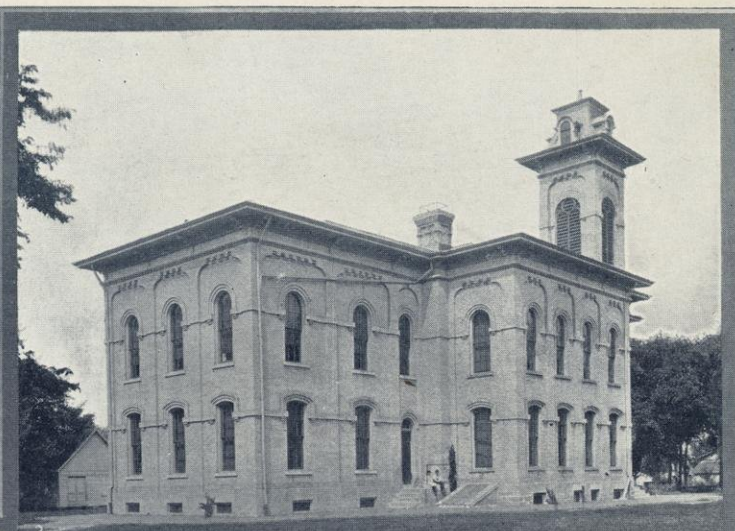
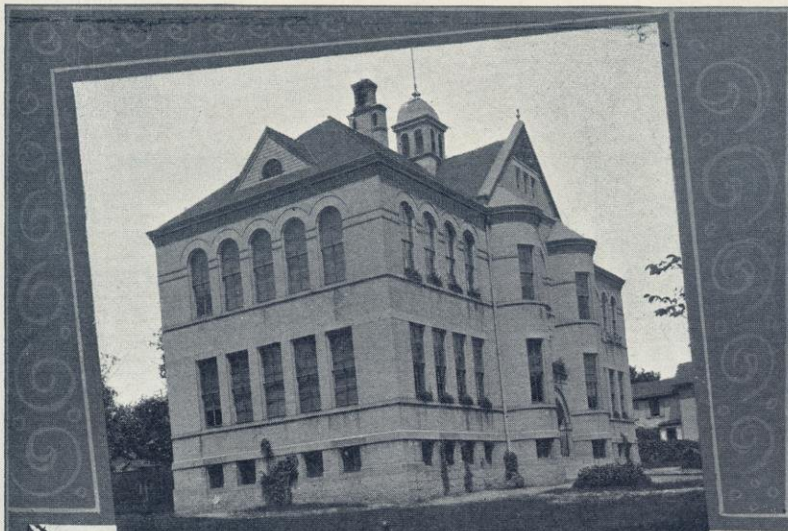
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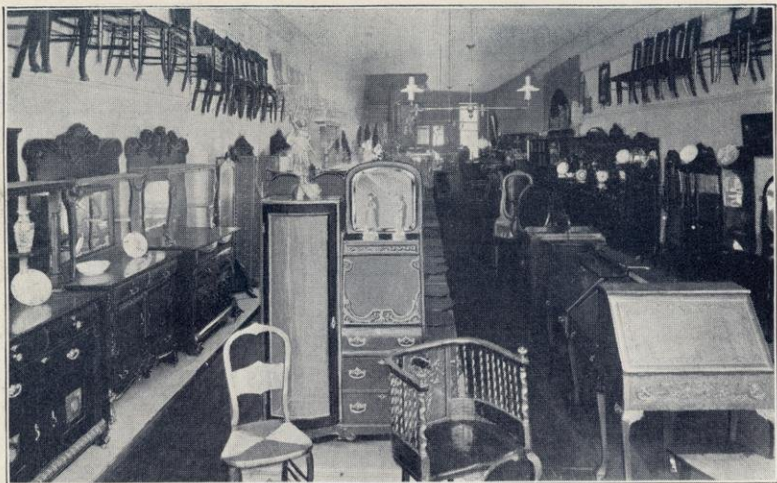


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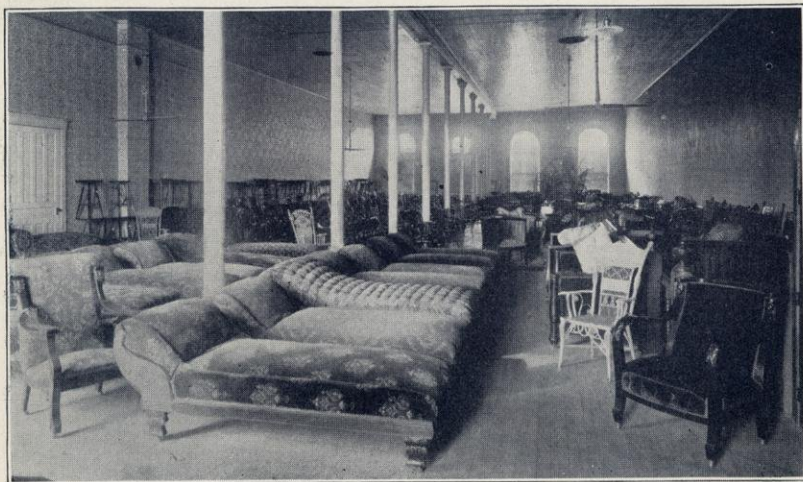
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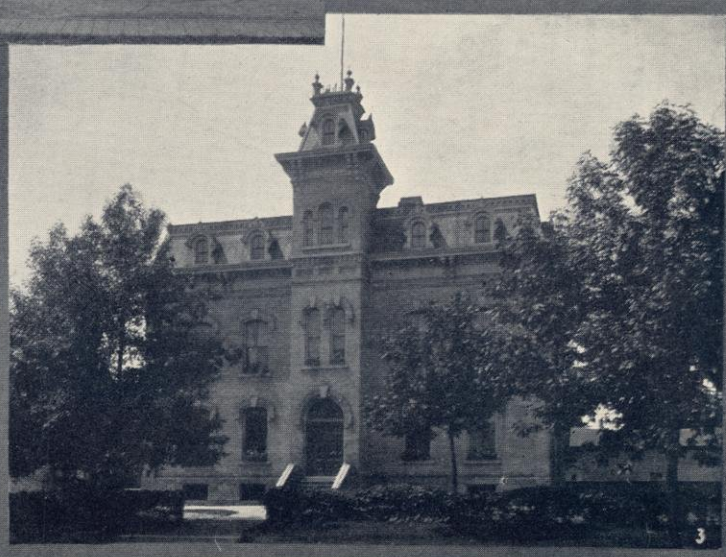
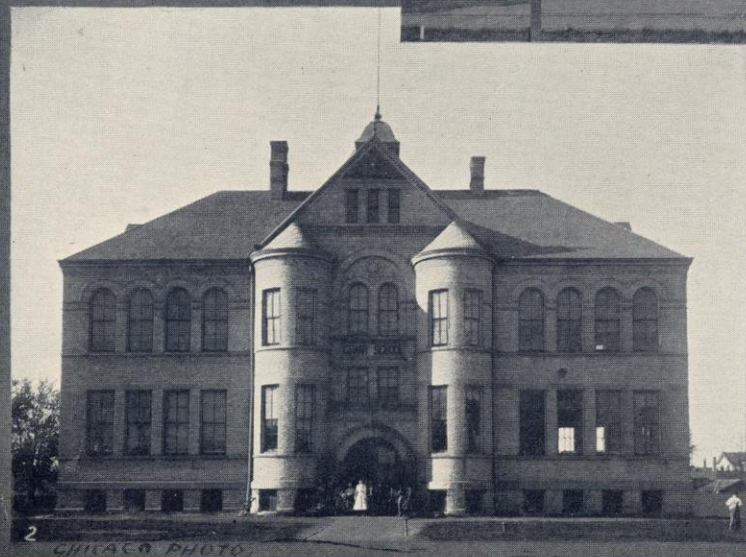


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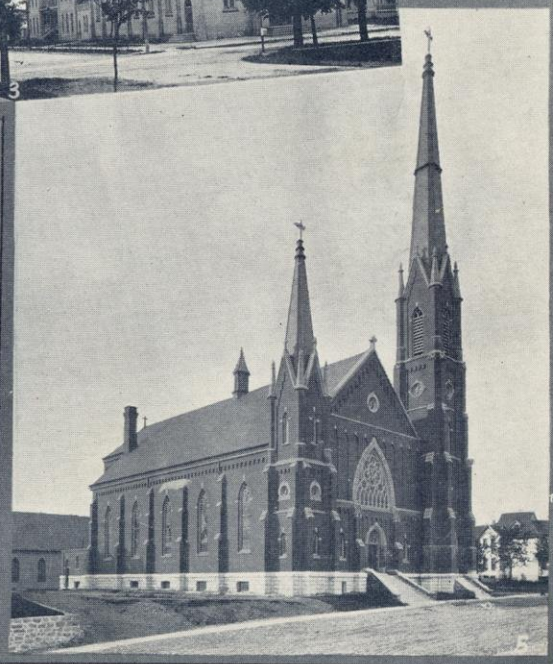
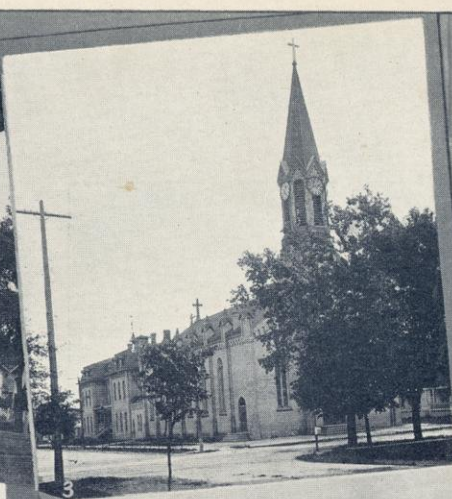
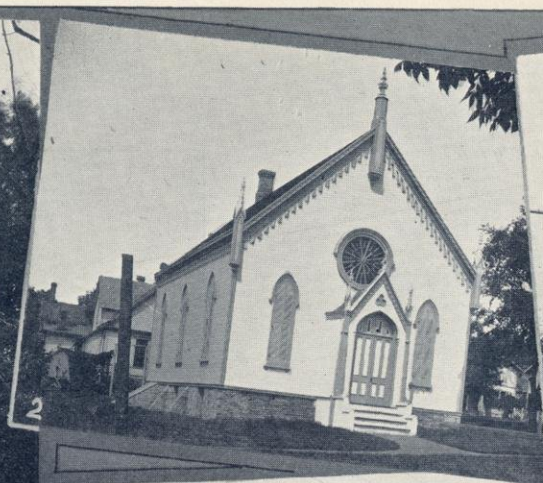
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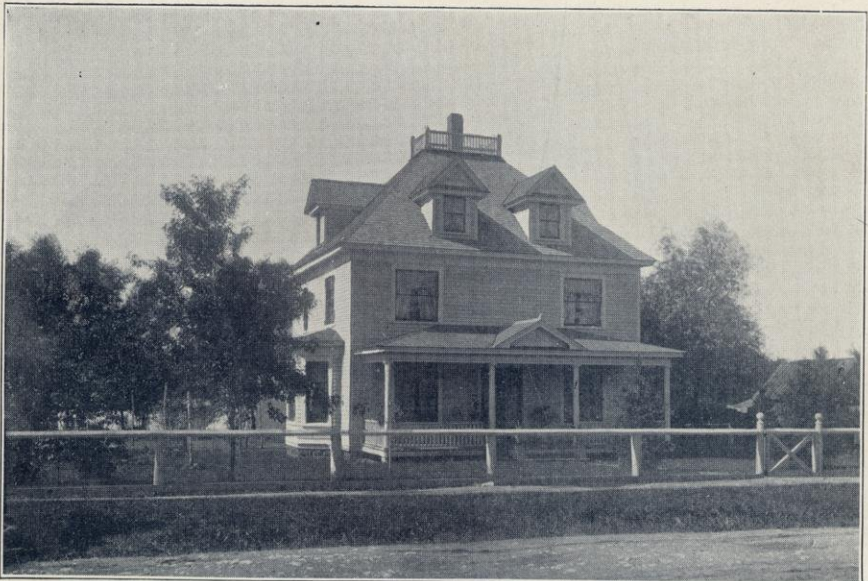
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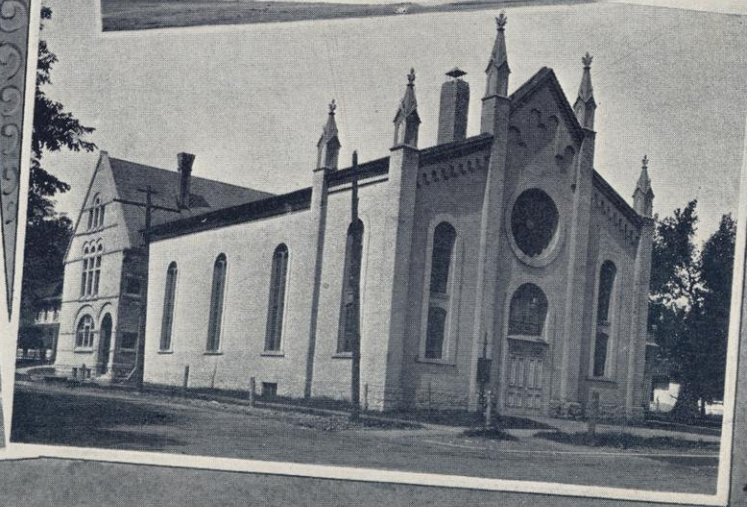
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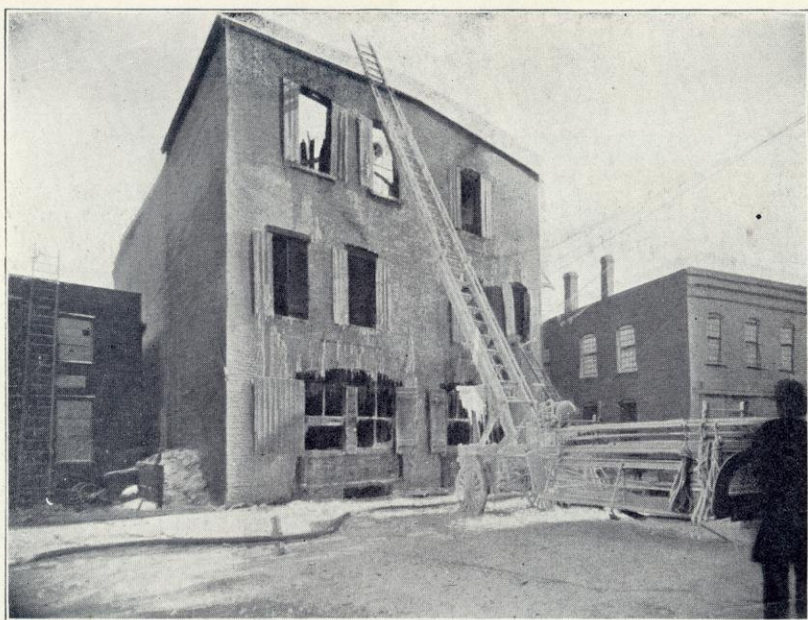
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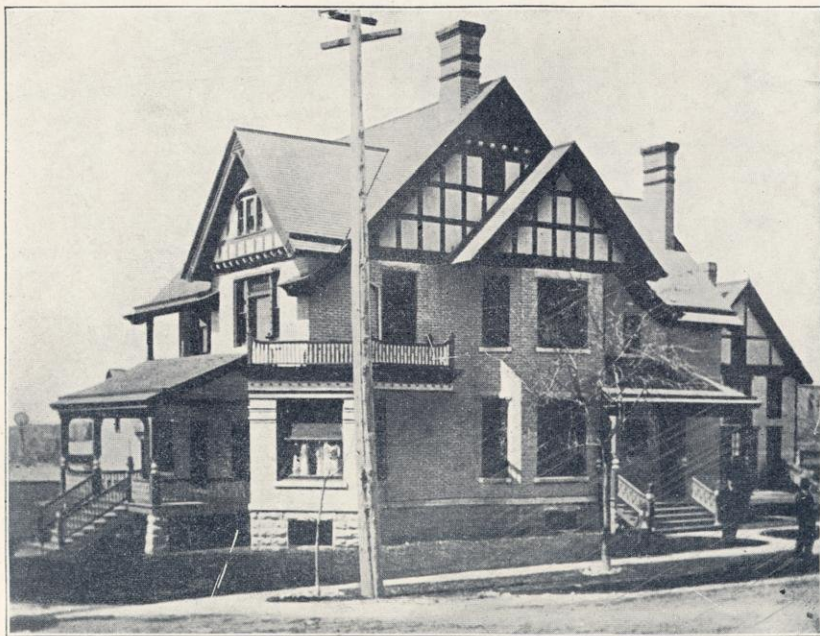


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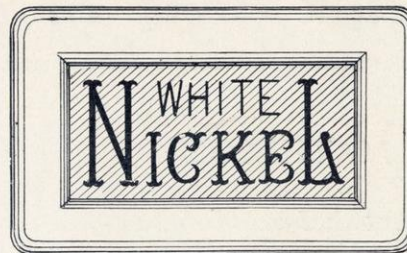


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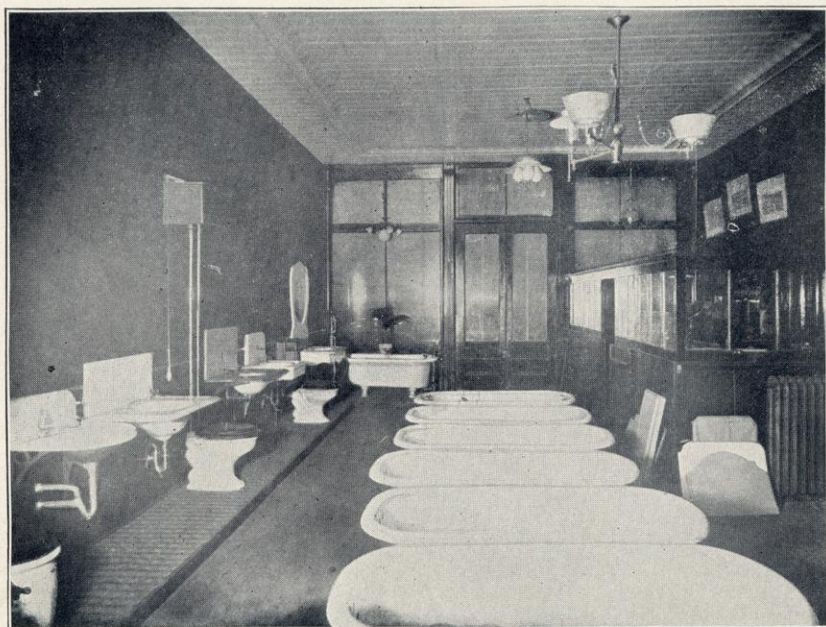
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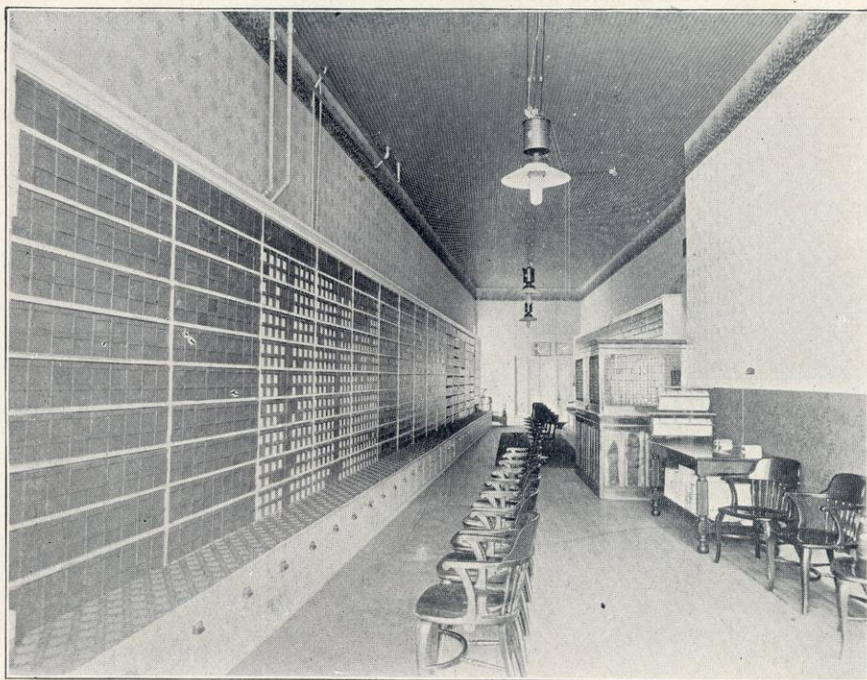
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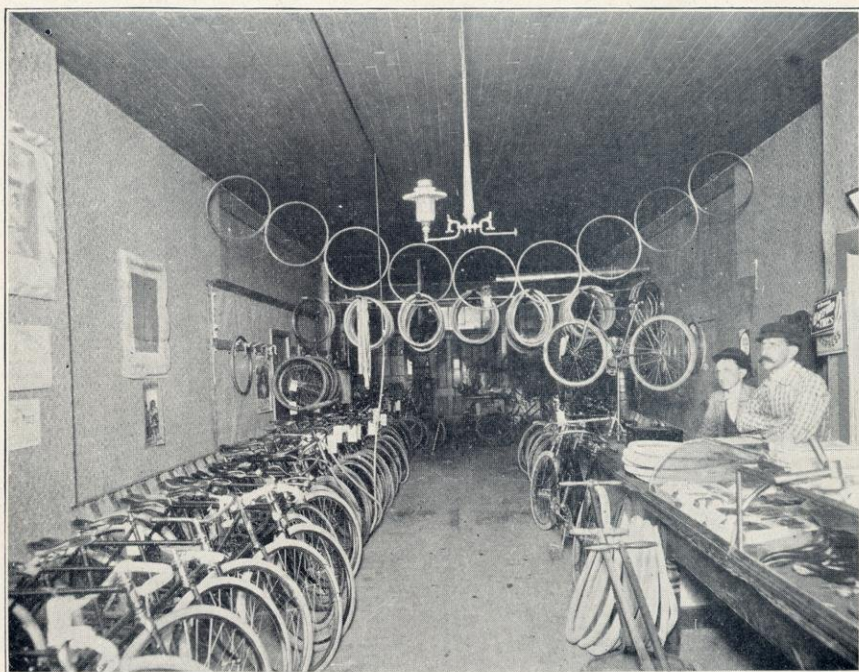
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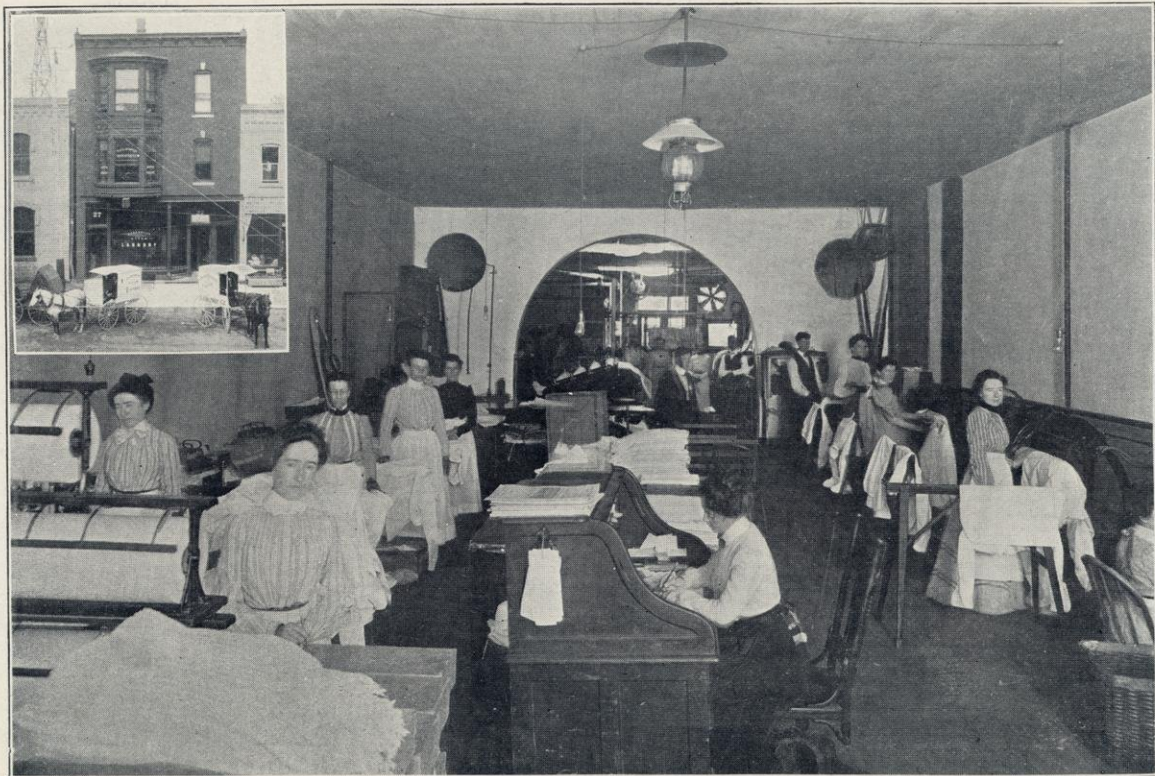


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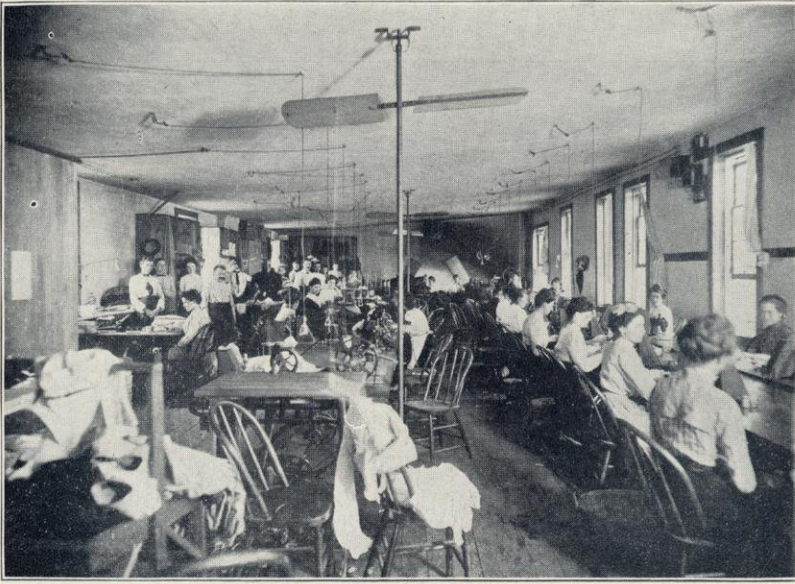


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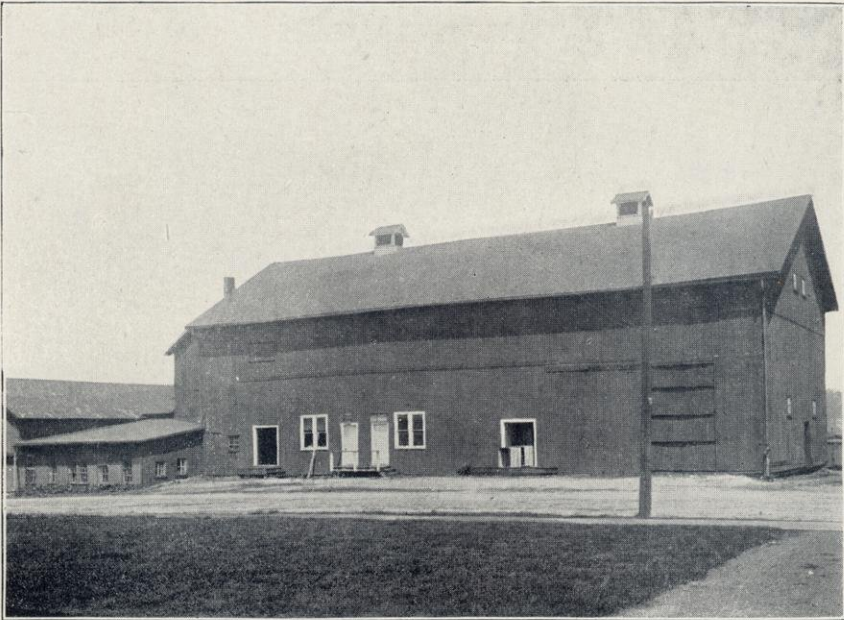
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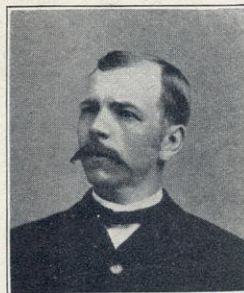
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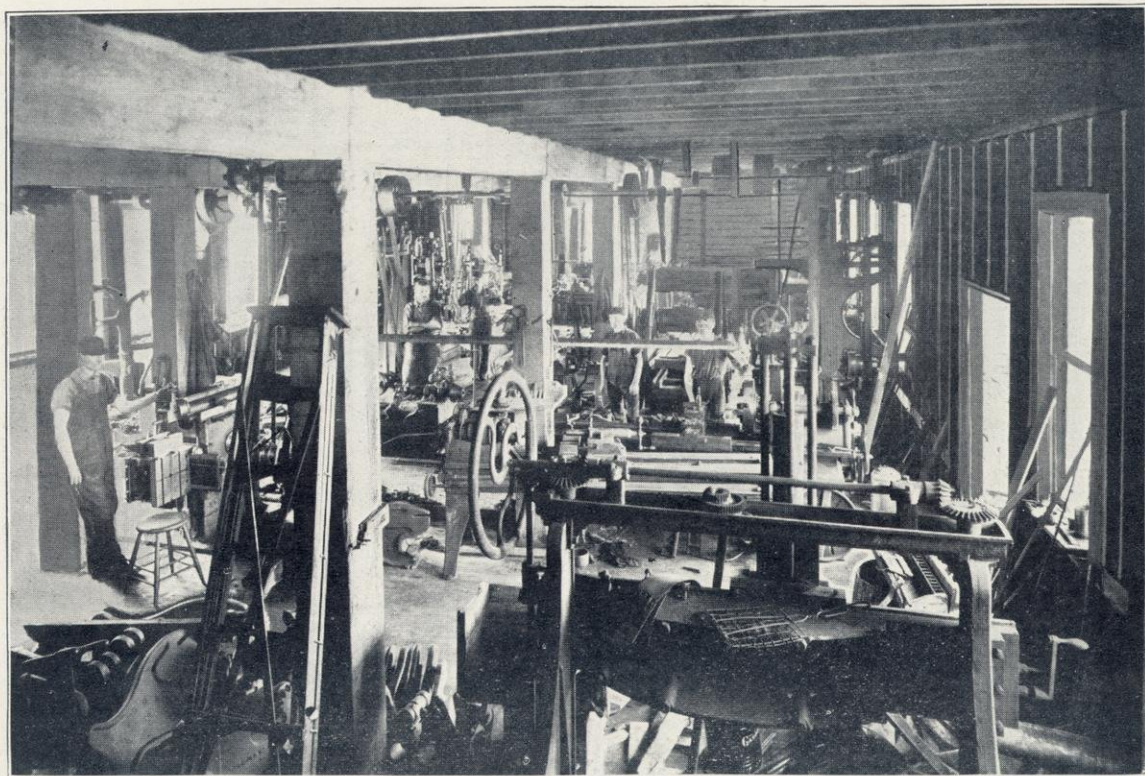


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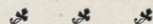
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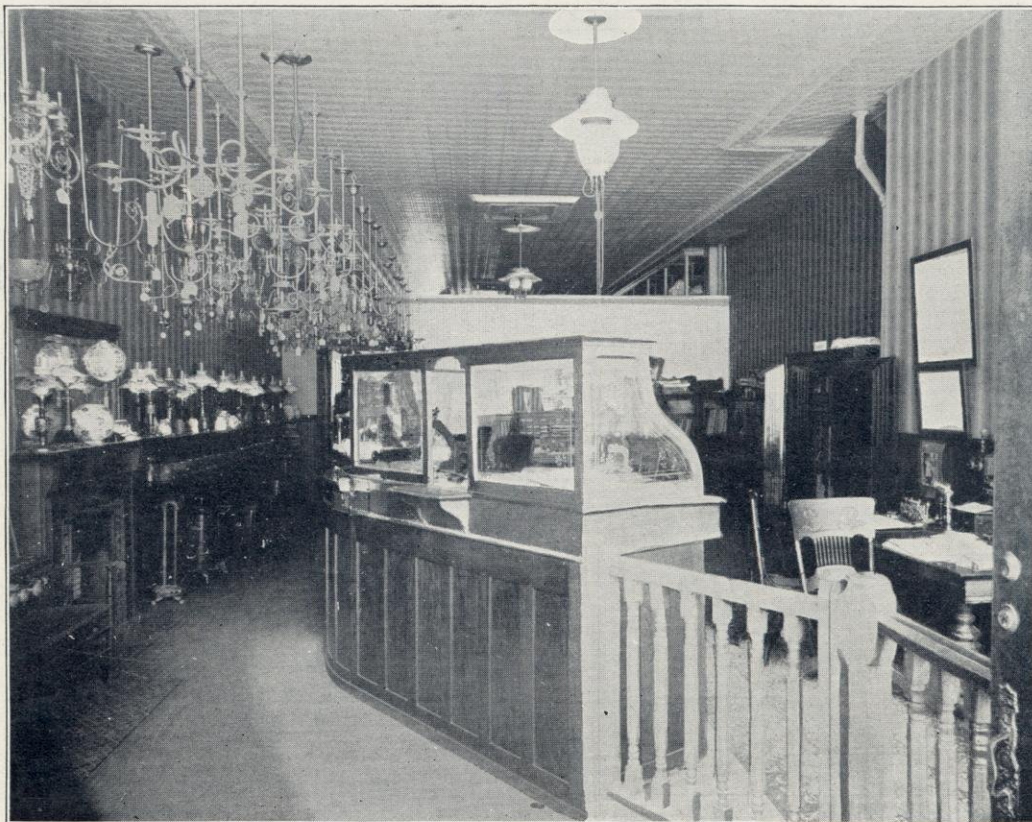
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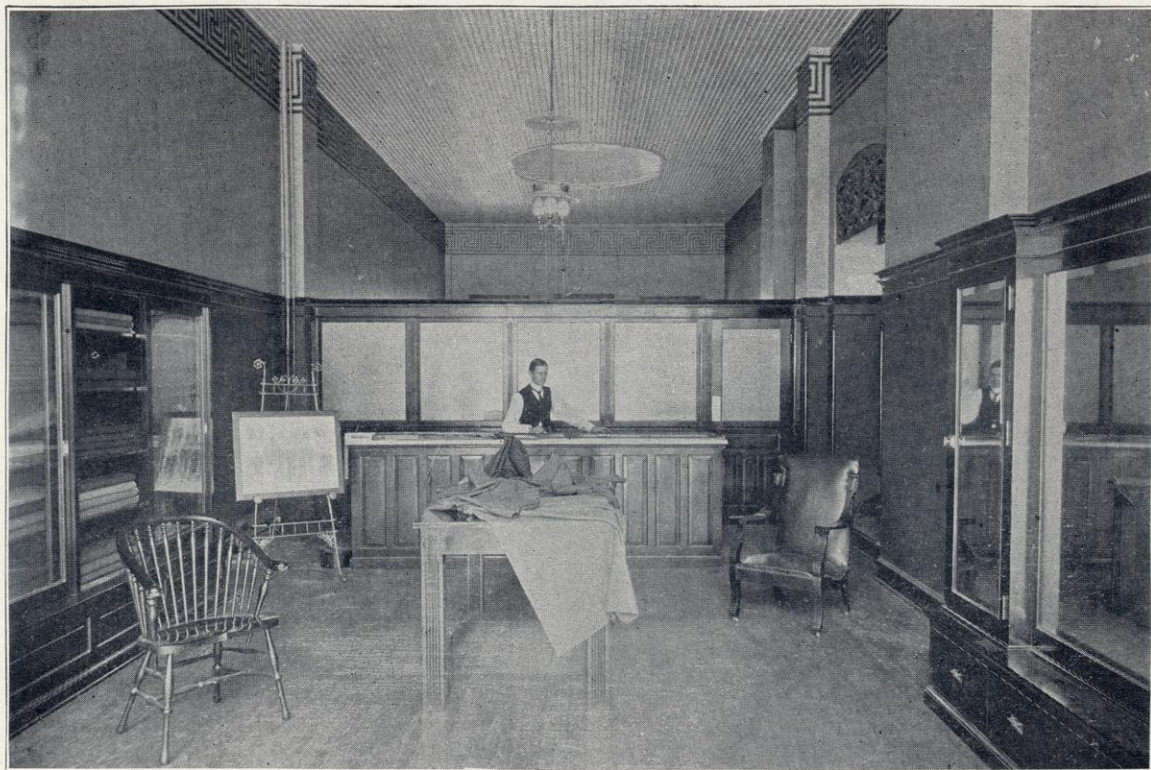
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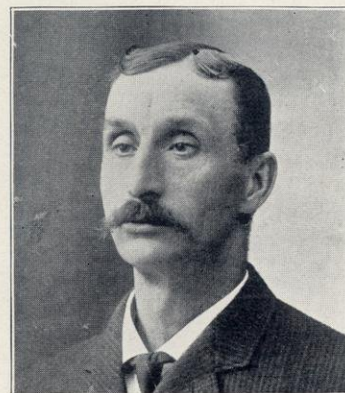
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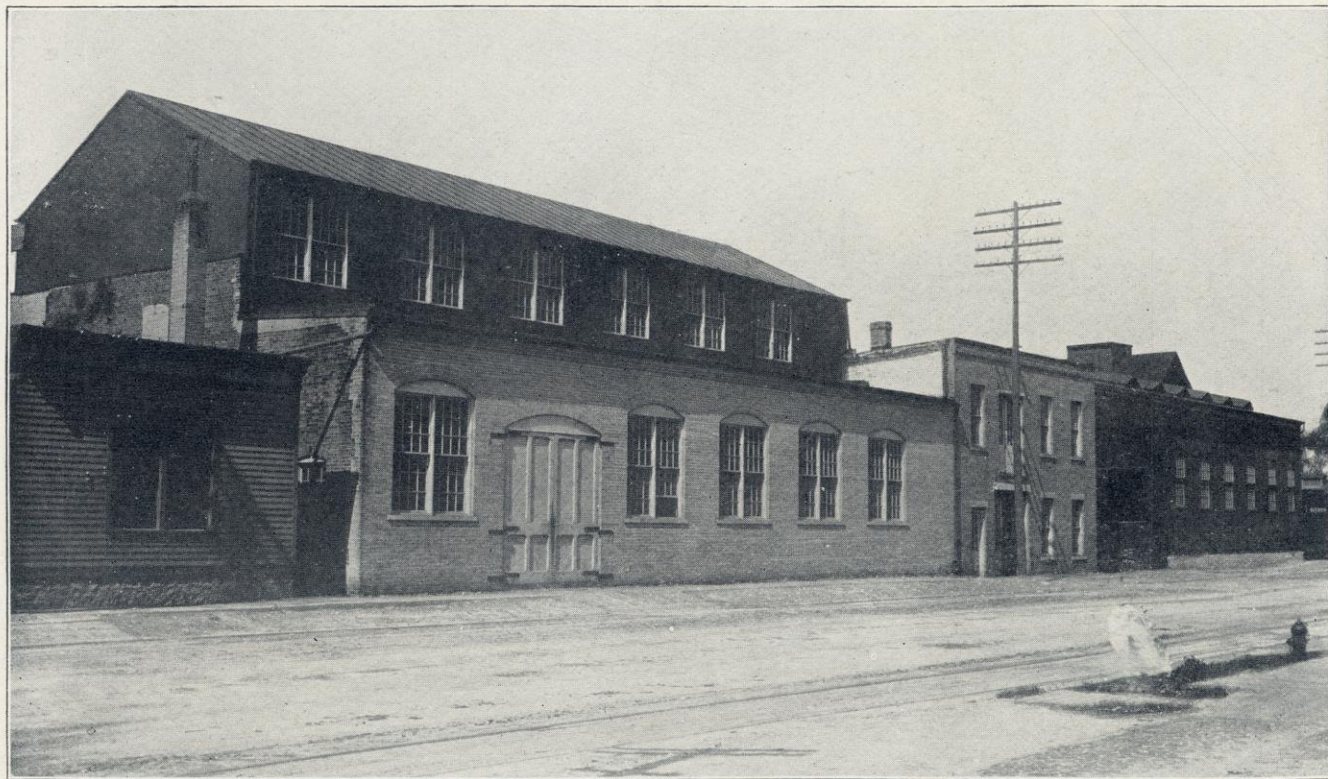


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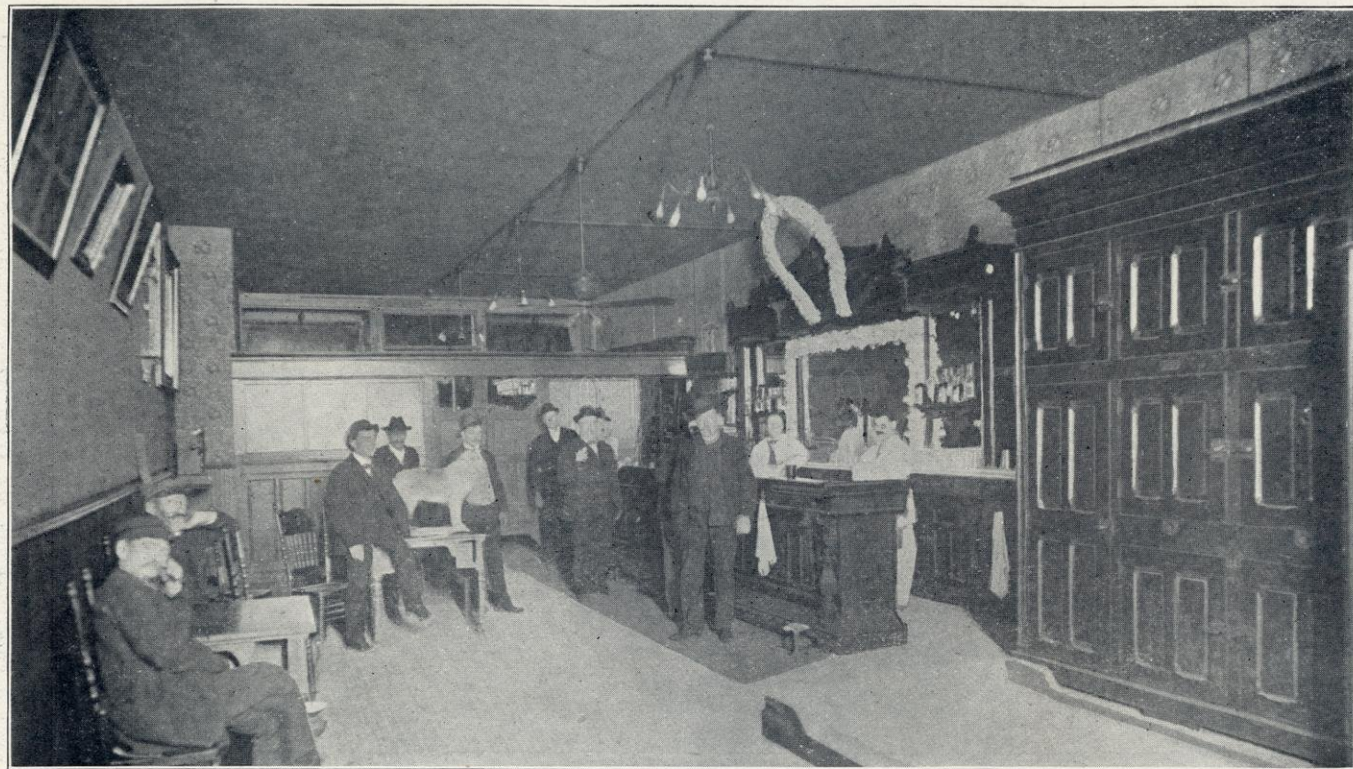
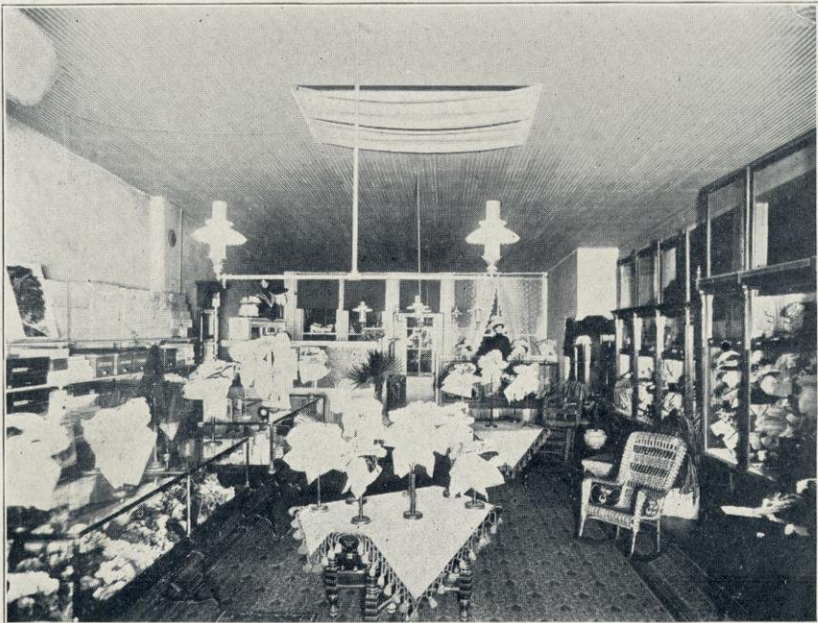


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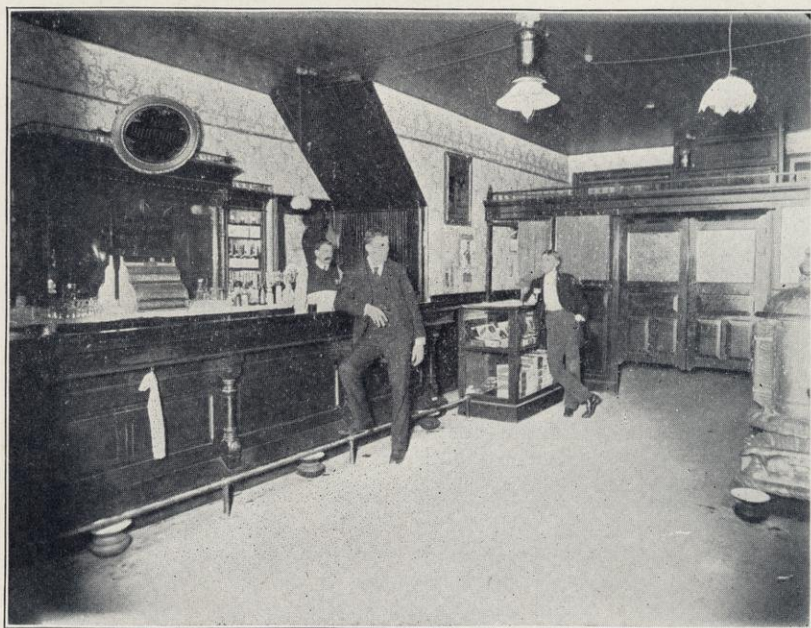
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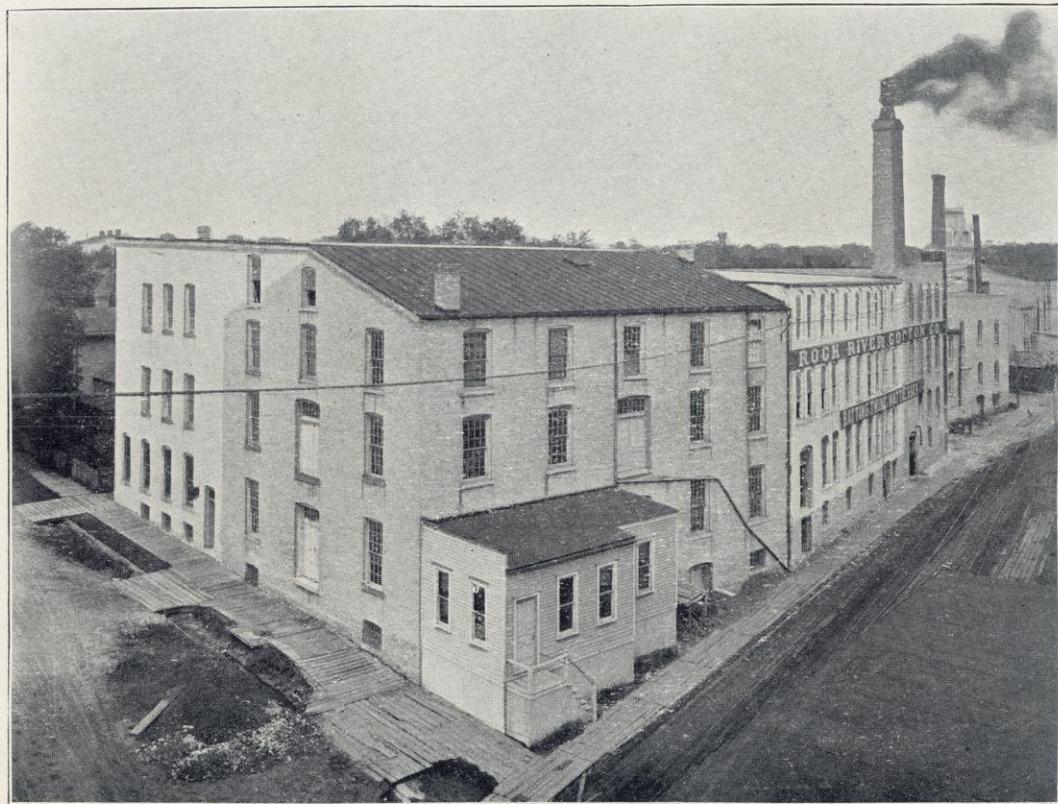
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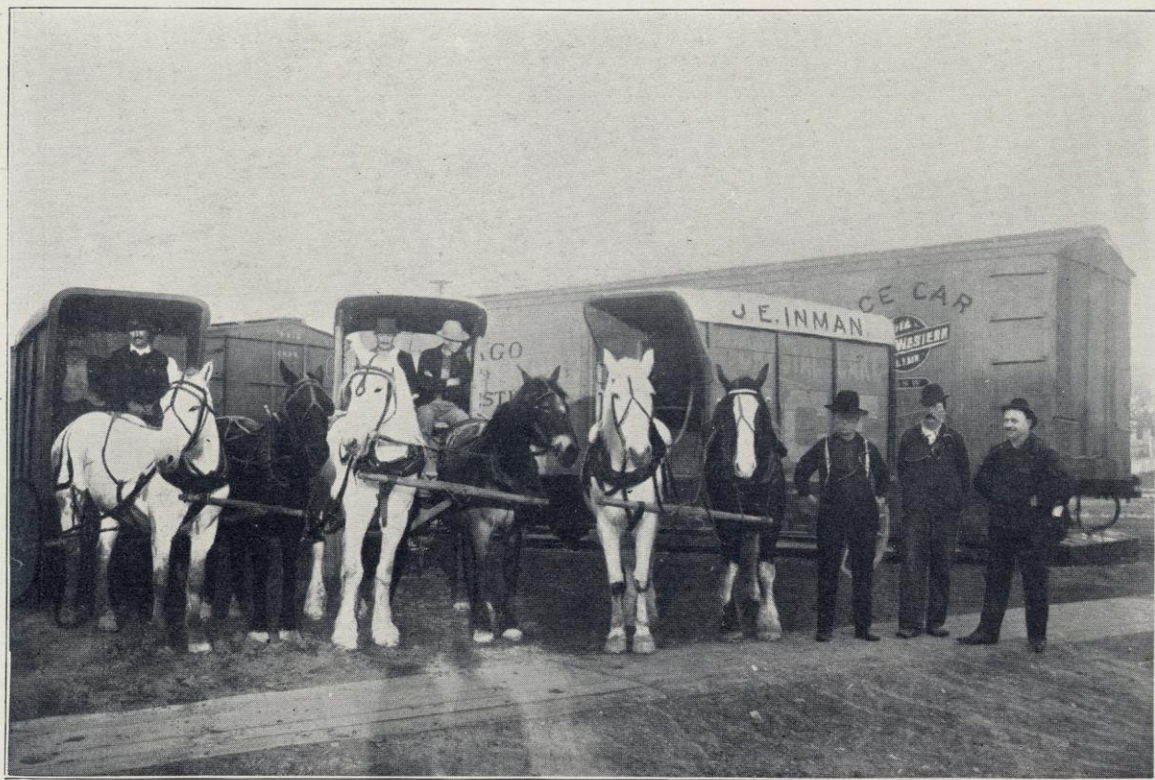


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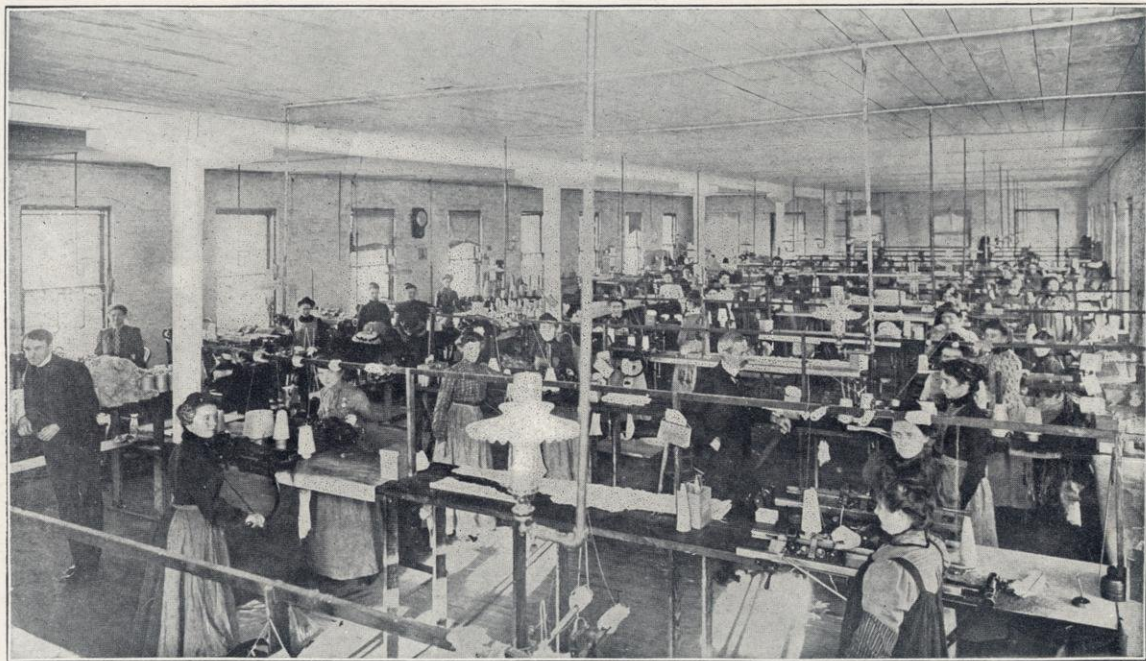
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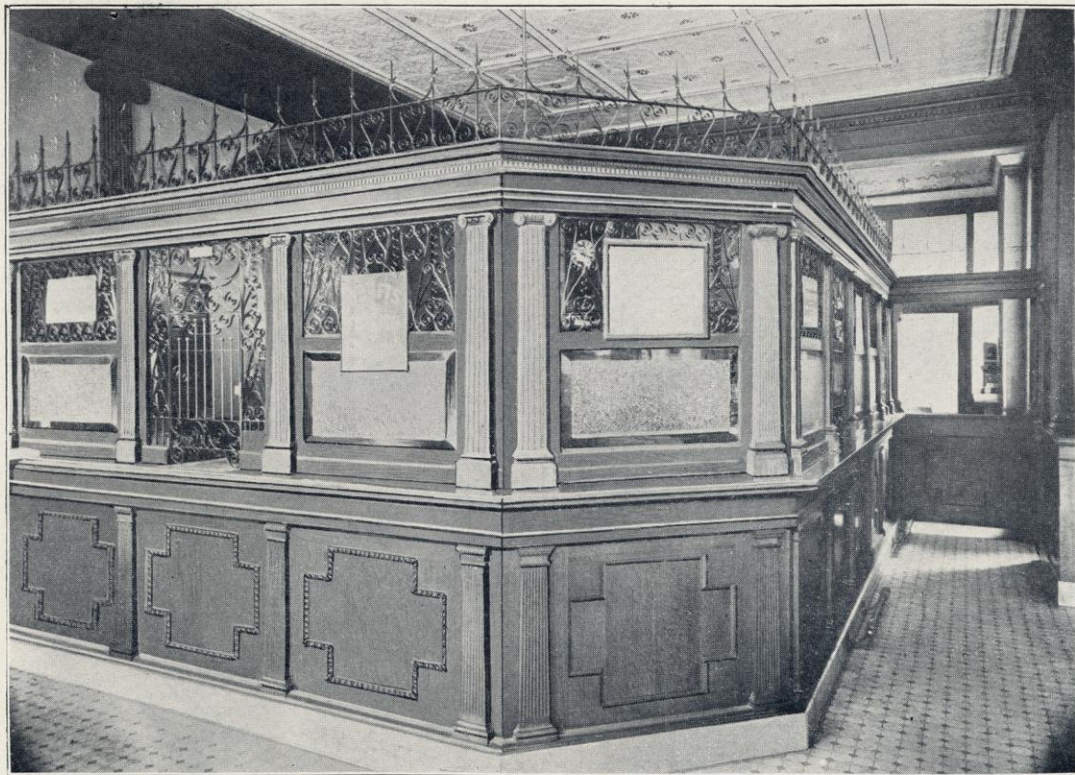
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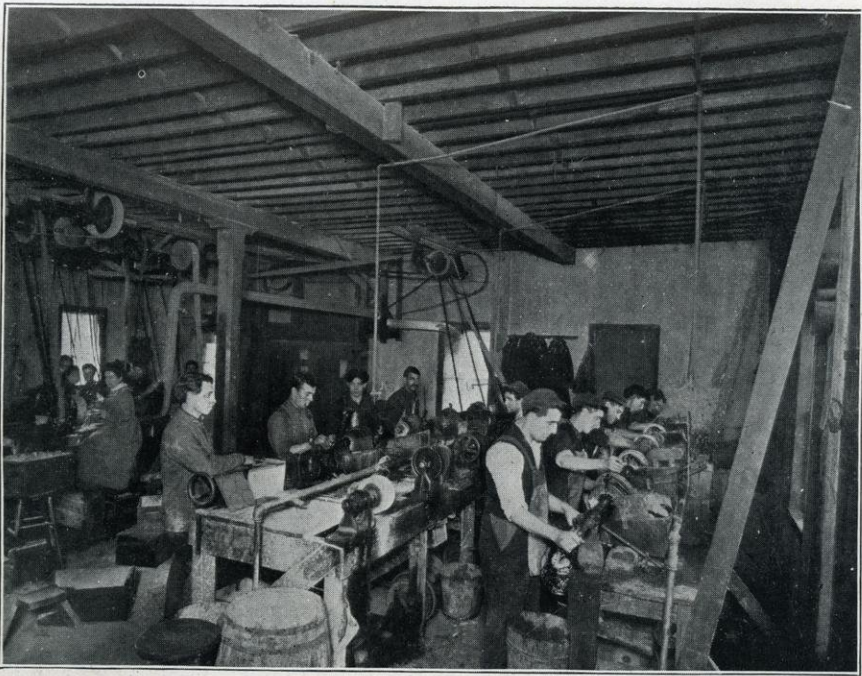


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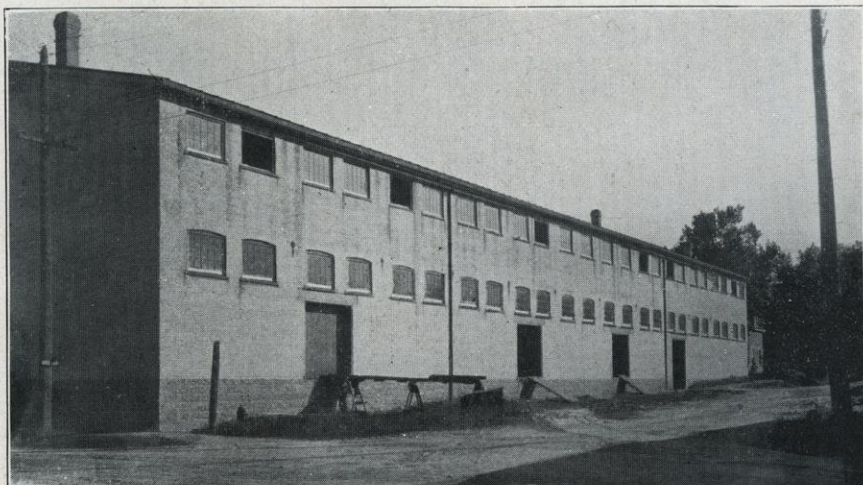
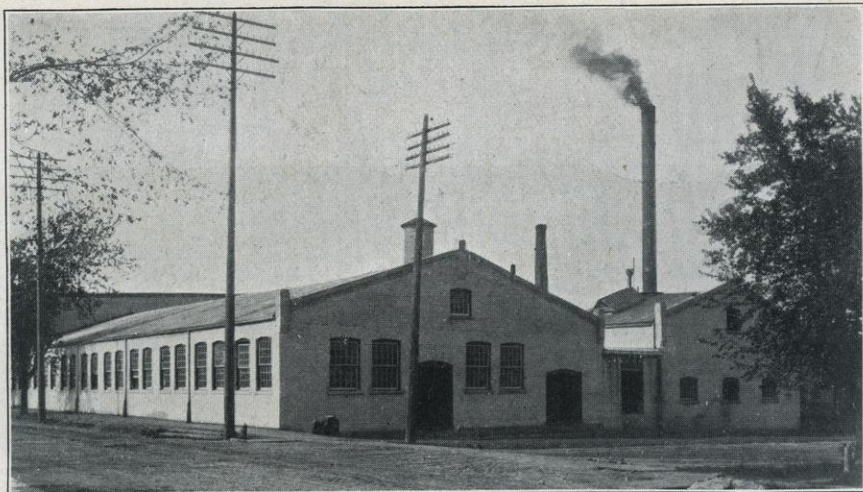
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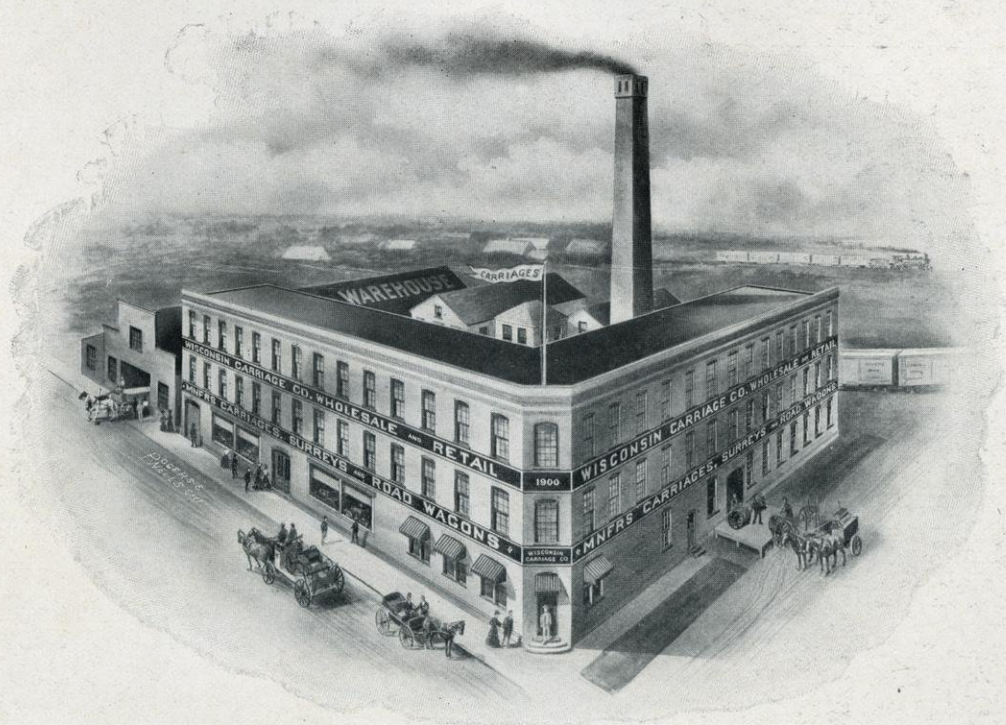




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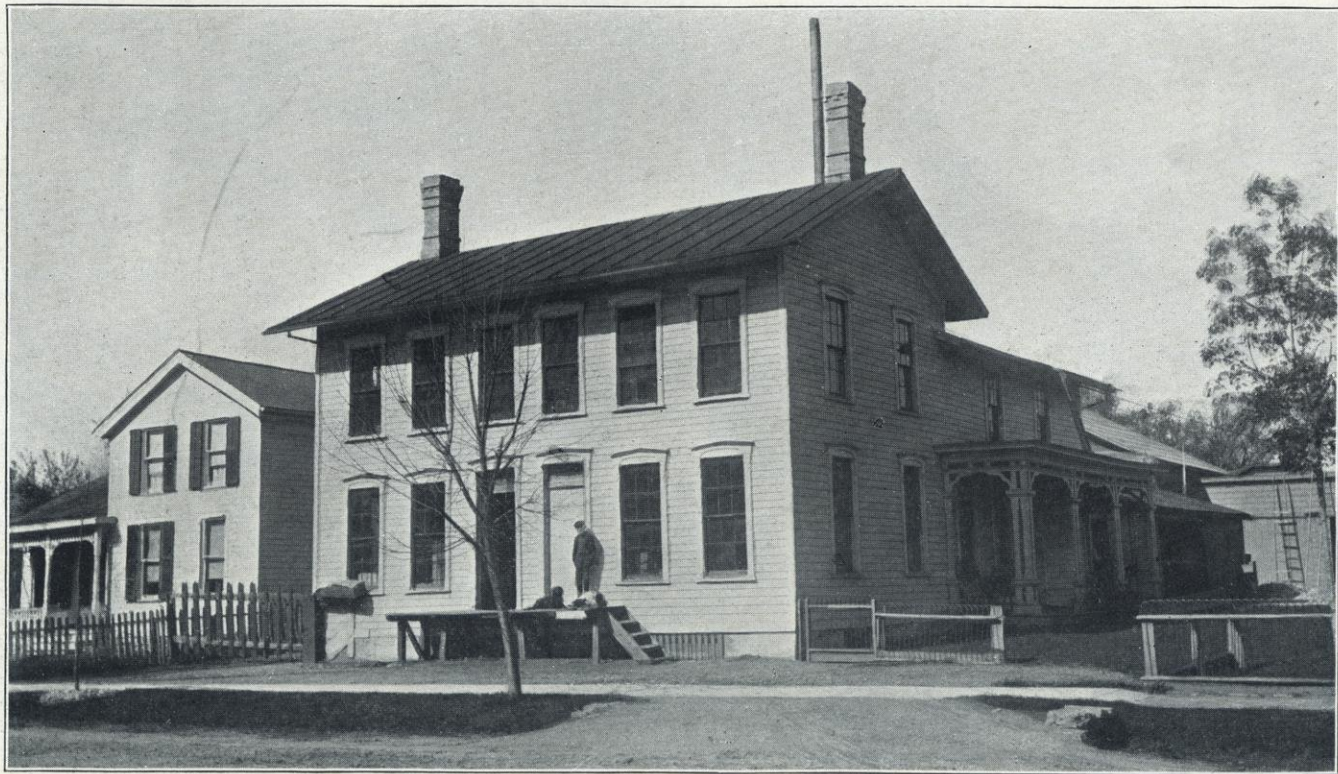


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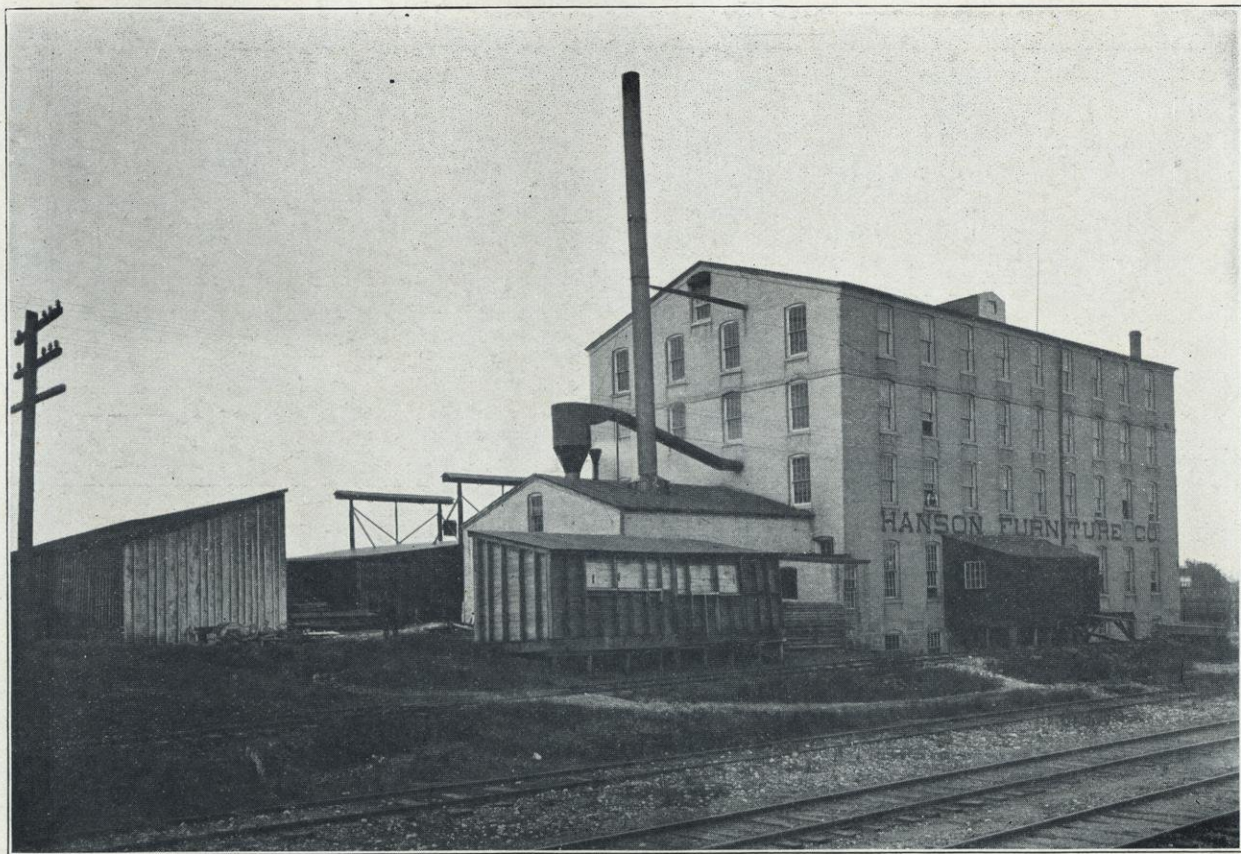
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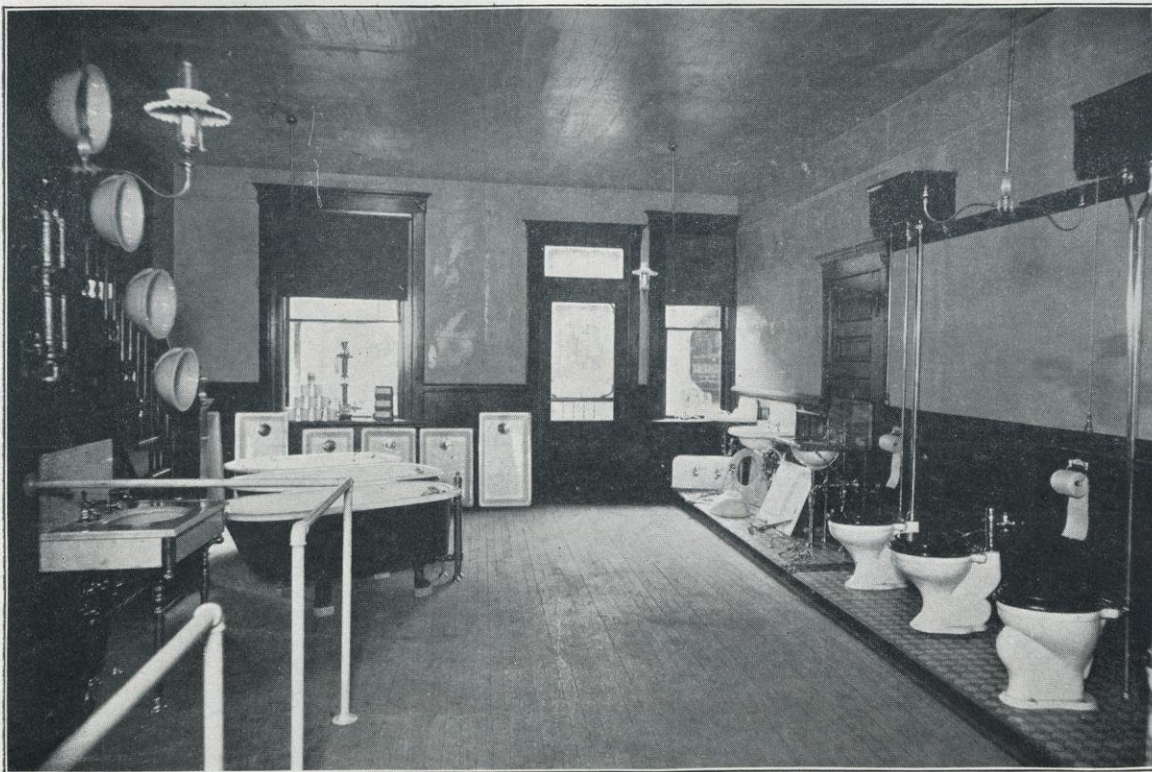


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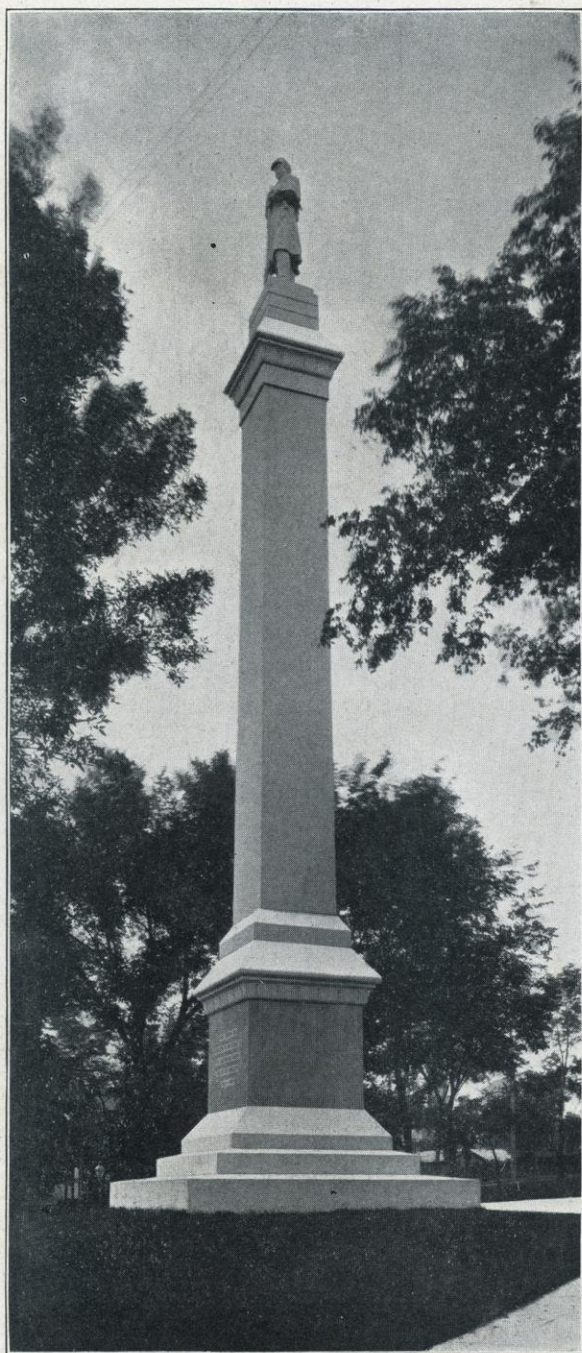


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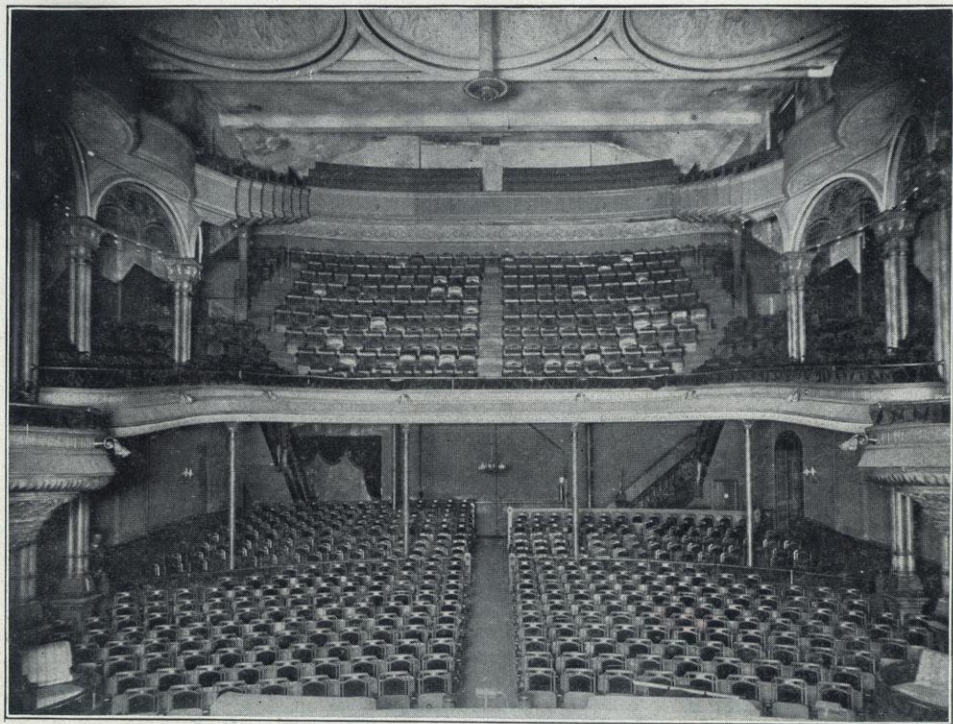
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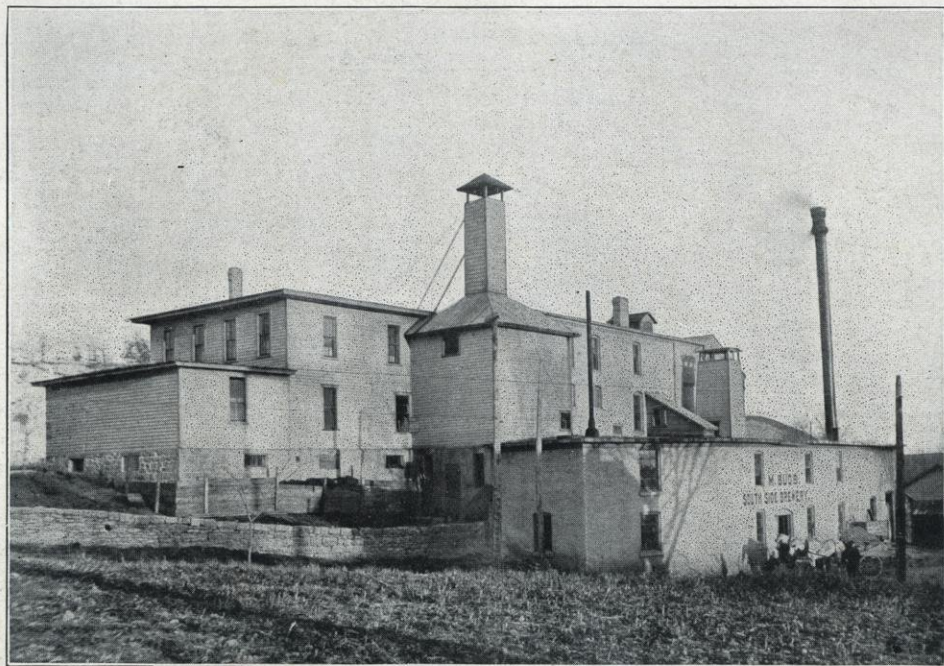
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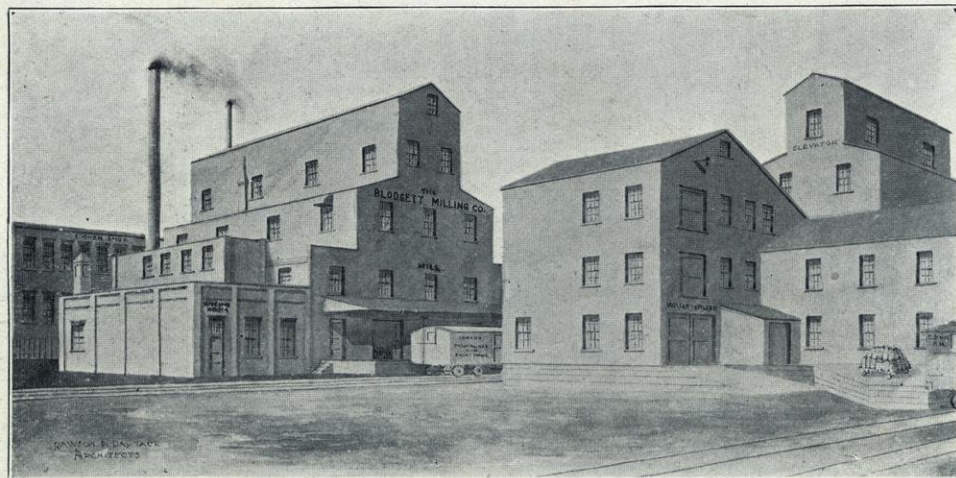
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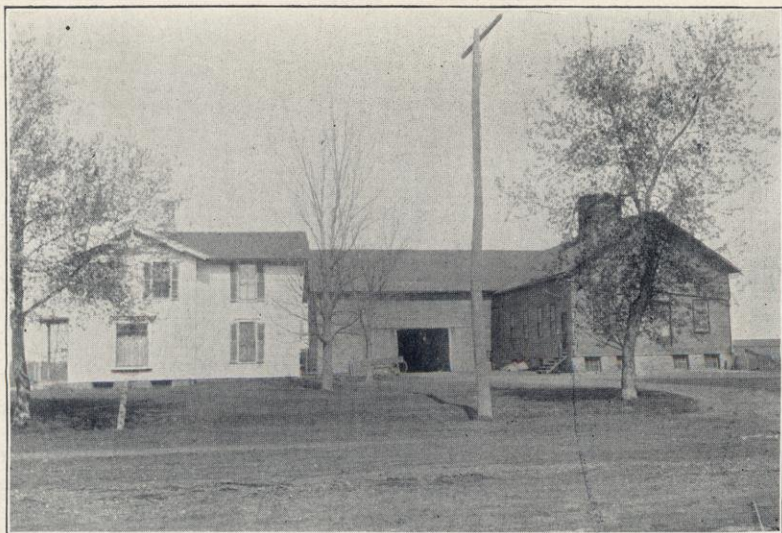


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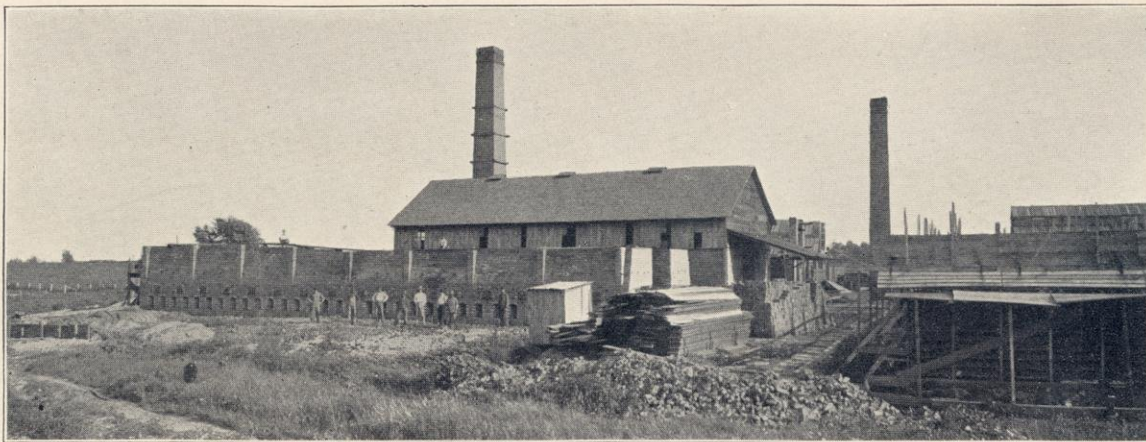
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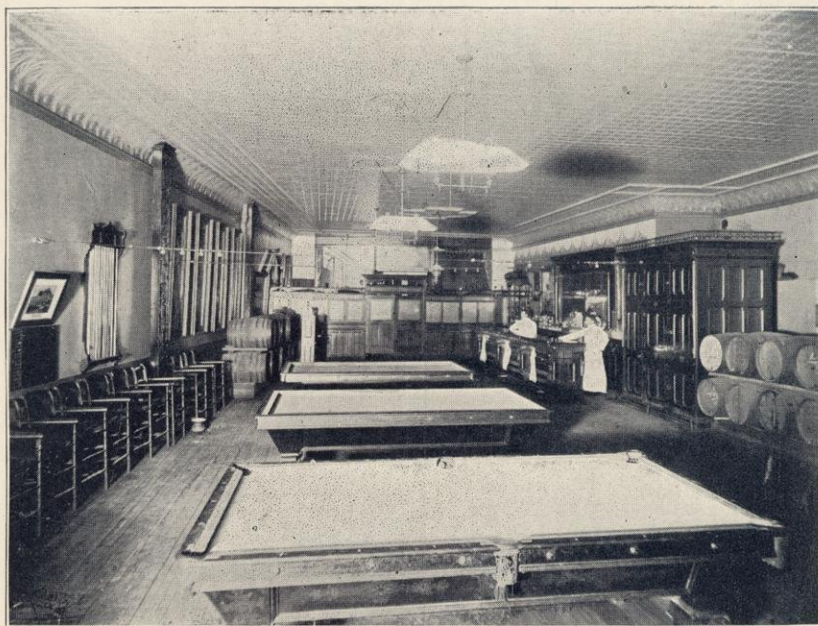


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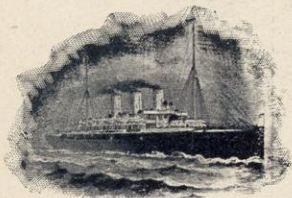
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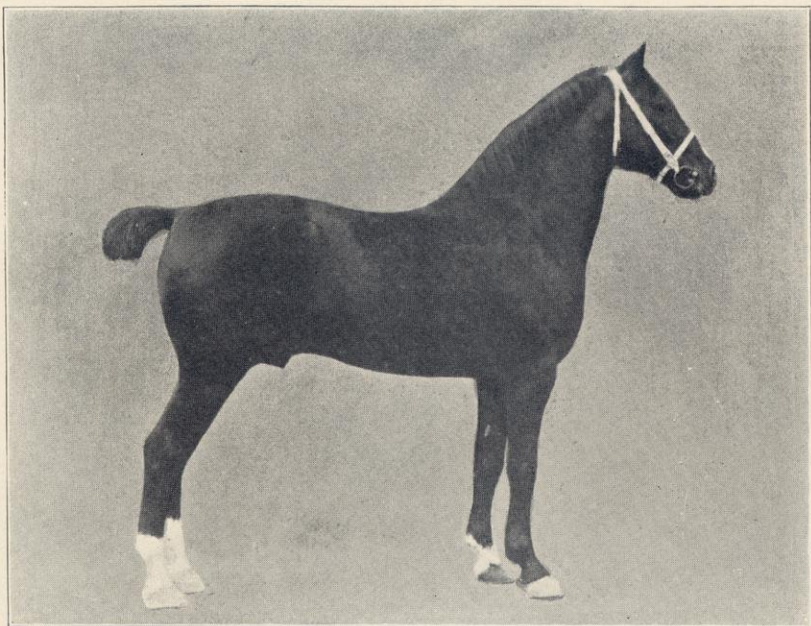
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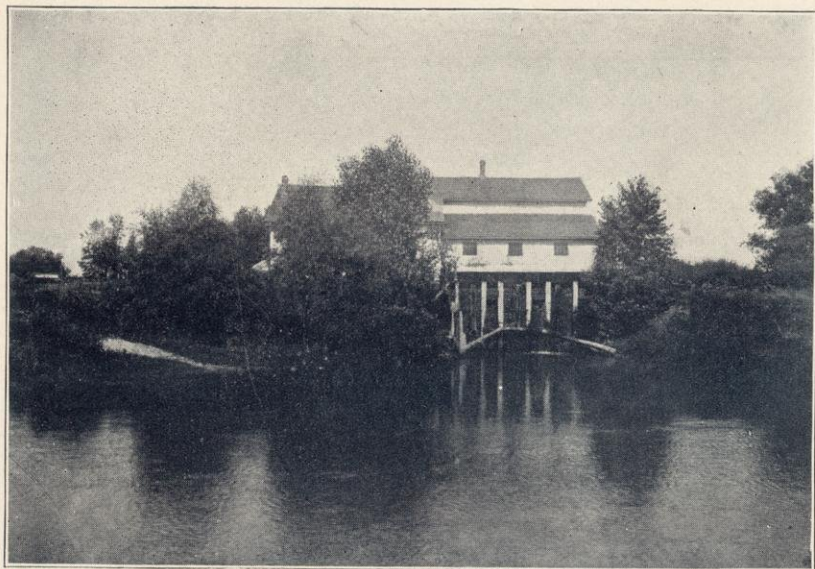
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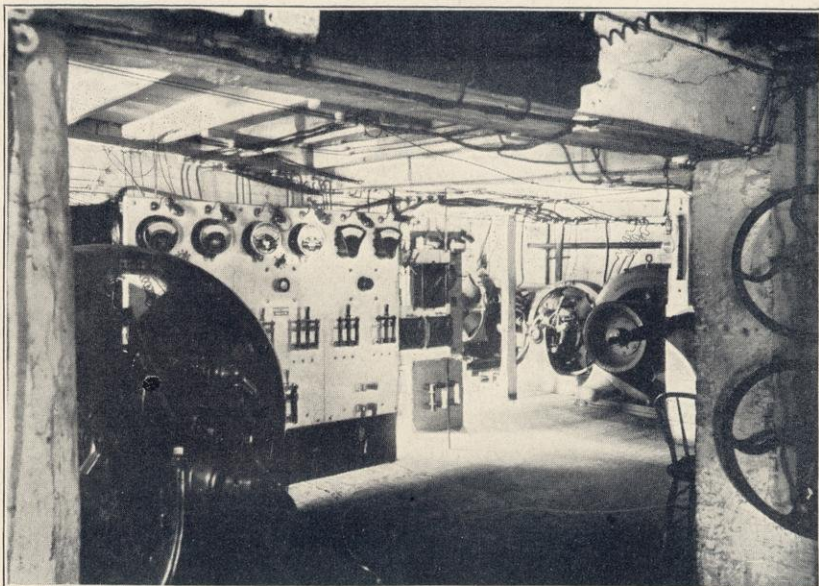


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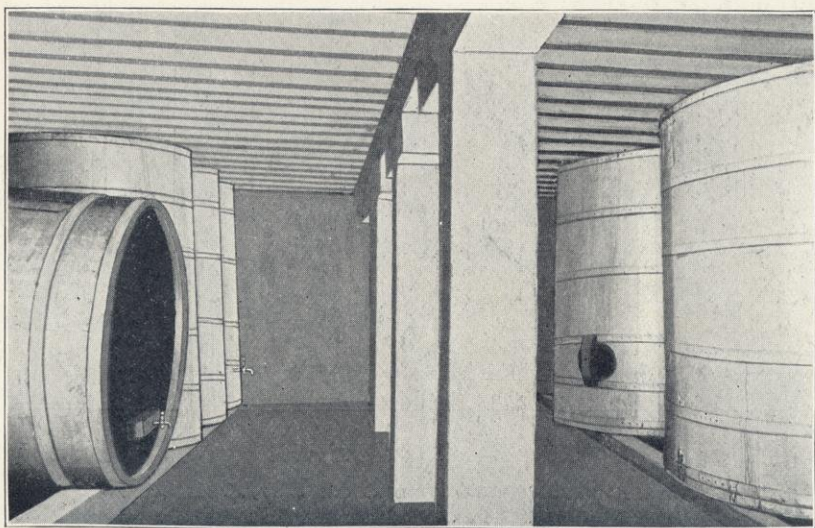
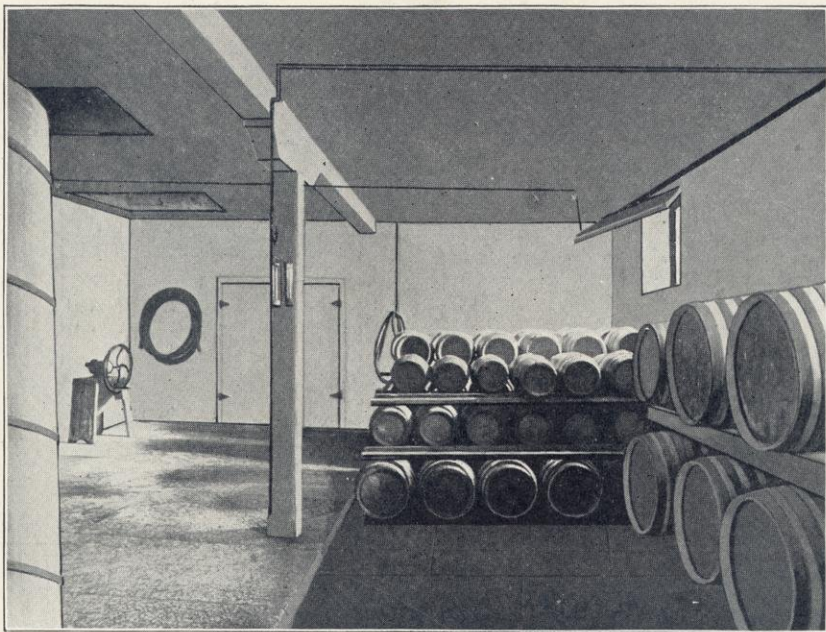
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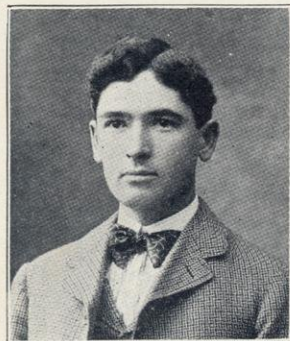


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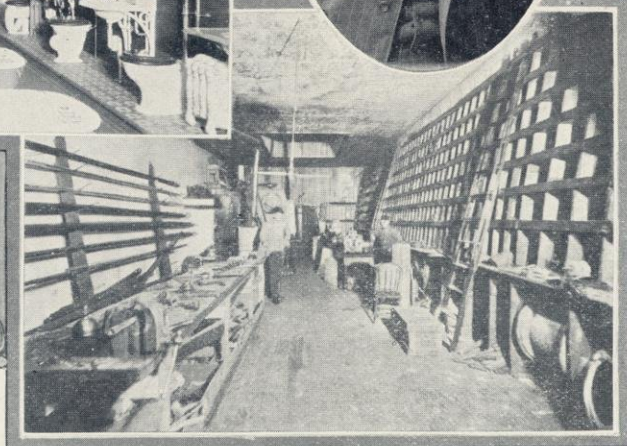
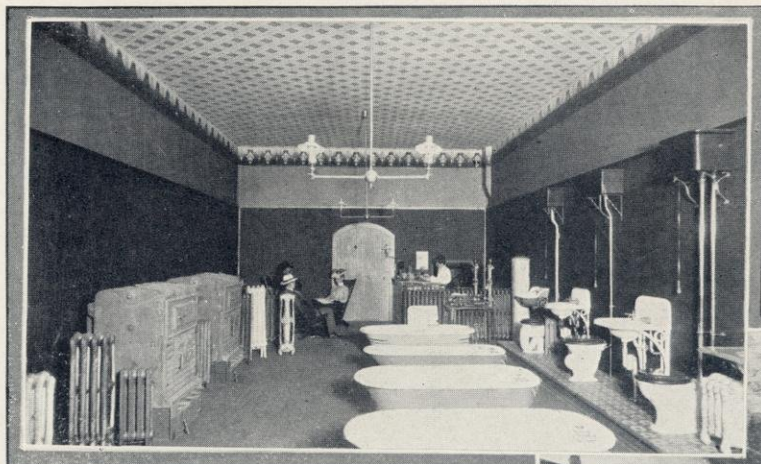
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It can boast of no possessions which carry the mind back to an obscure antiquity and arouse an intellectual interest by reason of their mystery. It has no tumuli which have been excavated for mummies and jewels; no Assyrian bricks bearing strange cuneiform inscriptions; no Egyptian catacombs covered with uncouth hieroglyphics; no ruins of Roman palaces; no remains of Grecian temples; no traces of Druidical altars. Curiosity mongers who visit Janesville for the purpose of obtaining specimens with which to enrich their collections of antediluvian bric-a-brac will leave the city with a feeling of poignant disappointment; for its streets are not underlaid with the remnants of a lost civilization, nor do its residents devote much time to questions pertaining to their predecessors. Its people are plain everyday American citizens who are not of the kind described as “true but for lying and honest but for stealing,” but are rather of the kind whose industry and frugality have enabled them to attain to a comfortable and independent position in life.

And this leads naturally to the thought that while wealth and prosperity have been the portion of the city, these results have come without the aid of outside or adventitious assistance. Janesville is the seat of the “Wisconsin Institution for the Education of the Blind,” the support of which costs the state the annual outlay of thirty-five

thousand dollars; and this is the only institution of any kind within its borders to which the nation or state contributes in any degree. If it were the seat of the state capitol with its multitude of employees and of the State University with its one hundred and fifty professors and twenty-five hundred students costing the taxpayers of Wisconsin four hundred thousand dollars a year, there would not be required a “Forty Thousand Club” to infuse energy into its veins and stimulate its growth. If capital from points outside of its own boundaries were furnished in large sums for the purpose of establishing vast manufacturing concerns employing scores and hundreds of artisans, while it would be cordially welcomed, it is by no means certain that such a condition would add to the beauty and improvement of the town; for the profits of such enterprises are diverted to the great marts of trade, leaving an increase in population as the almost sole result to the place where such an investment is made. None of these external and extraneous advantages are contributing to the progress and development of our city.

It is fifty years since it obtained its municipal charter; the enthusiasm of youth has vanished; its inhabitants have passed through the throes of inflation and contraction; they have experimented with a system of financiering according to the ideas of a modern Hamilton; they have laid out additions and sub-divisions on the outskirts; they have erected useless factories in distant and inconvenient localities, and they have indulged in sundry other vagaries which indicated the possession of more hope than judgment; but these experiences were mere episodes in the history of the city; they were simply phantoms and visions which disappeared when the excitement of the hour had passed. Compared with many other towns of similar size and character the permanent destruction and desolation which these calamities left in their wake were trifling.

Without any aid from outside its own borders the city has entirely recovered from its unfortunate ventures; it has long and well paved drives; it has charming groves and well kept parks; it has an electric street car system connecting its business and residence sections; it has an abundant supply of artesian water distributed throughout the city; it is excellently lighted by electricity; its manufactured products are varied and extensive, and thrift, enterprise and prosperity are manifest in every direction.

And while it is true that comfort and contentment are plainly visible among its citizens this condition is not of that self-satisfied kind which leads them to

“Mistake the gentle rustle of their burg
For the great wave that echoes round the world.”

There is a permanent element of conservatism in their composition; and this conservatism, born of experience, leads them to look with pronounced disfavor upon any promoter or adventurer who proposes to cut up hundred and sixty acre tracts into four-by-eight lots with the expectation of selling them to gullible purchasers at a hundred dollars per front foot or at some other fancy price. Persons who promise prosperity and expansion on these terms will find it to their advantage to seek some more secluded place where attempts to achieve success on these lines have not been tried to a finish. The entire country, from Hell Gate to the Golden Gate, is overstocked with towns which adopted as a war cry the sentiment of the Kentucky statesman that "He who dallies is a dastard and he who doubts is damned;" under which inspiration they budged, blossomed and collapsed after a brief season of excitement and enthusiasm. Janesville has had such disturbances; but through them all it continued to flourish and display a placid solidity; and now it can be said that not a bank has gone out of business in forty years; not a manufacturing concern of any importance has become insolvent in a generation; not a mercantile establishment of any magnitude has failed to pay its debts through a long term of years, and the credit of its merchants and dealers has always stood, and now stands, above suspicion. The record of the city from the standpoint of commercial honor is extremely bright. The municipal authorities have always been reluctant about running the city in debt, and before the sixty-five thousand dollars in bonds—to pay for the new city building and for the site of the new library were issued less than a year ago—the outstanding indebtedness of the city was only forty thousand dollars; which indebtedness was incurred for the purpose of erecting the High school building. This gratifying condition and this superior credit have resulted from the excellent municipal government which the city has enjoyed, and not by reason of a parsimonious treatment of the educational or material interests by the authorities, who have always been judicious and economical in the expenditure of the funds which have been collected and disbursed under their direction.

One of the phenomena of modern civilization is the vast increase in transportation facilities; and this development is more marvelous in the United States than in any other country. In this respect Janesville has more than kept pace with the average places in the northwest. Forty years ago the original Chicago & Northwestern line, extending from Chicago to Fond du Lac, was crossed at this point by the branch of the Milwaukee & Prairie du Chien road running to Monroe. The time tables published in the newspapers of that period show that three trains were dispatched daily each way between Janesville and Chicago; the same number between Janesville and Milwaukee; two trains to Fond du Lac and one to Monroe. Now there are fifteen daily trains each way between Janesville and Chicago; seven to Milwaukee, six to St. Paul, and direct lines lead to Mineral Point, Lake Geneva, Rockford and other important places, making a total of sixty-four passenger trains arriving at and departing from our sta-

tions daily. The freight traffic has increased in proportion, and the total annual receipts of the railroad companies at this point reach well up towards half a million dollars. Three years ago the Chicago & Northwestern company erected here a very attractive passenger station, while the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul company is now constructing a similar building of the most modern type.

The active life of the city is well exemplified in the number of bridges which have been built across Rock river within the municipal limits to accommodate the traffic between the two sides of the city. Formerly two railroad bridges, one city bridge on Milwaukee street and the Monterey bridge furnished ample means for conducting all necessary business; while at the present time, to provide for the increasing demand, eleven permanent bridges are required to furnish avenues of access from one side of the river to the other. From the upper bridge the good stage of water that always exists enables a large number of steamers and launches to ply the river in a northerly direction for a distance of ten miles; along the banks are numerous cottages and resorts which are the homes of many of the city's residents during the warm season. Among these resorts is the celebrated "Burr Springs" which have a national renown for supplying a water which more nearly meets all human needs than any other water in the entire western country. This water took the first prize at the World's Fair at Chicago for its excellent qualities, and it is probable that an extensive sanitarium will be erected at that point within a year or two. "Burr Springs" are but two miles from the city and a visit to that locality by steamer is a delightful diversion on a summer day. In addition to the railroad and steamboat lines, communication to and from the city is furnished by an inter-urban electric line which directly connects it with Beloit and Rockford; a line about forty miles in length and built in the most substantial and permanent manner. A franchise has been granted for the construction of another road of this kind to extend from Madison by way of Stoughton and Edgerton, the motive power in this instance to be furnished from the Dells of the Wisconsin river at Kilbourn. Another line is projected to run to Delavan and Geneva Lake; all of these lines indicating that Janesville is the center of a very large traffic and something more than a mere stopping place for accommodation trains.

It is expected in these modern days that all towns will have educational facilities commensurate with their needs. In no other respect is there such a difference between the early English civilization and that of the present age as there is between the intellectual poverty of the former and the general diffusion of knowledge in the latter. No more suggestive illustration of the universal ignorance of former times can be given than the fact that of the twenty-six barons who signed the Great Charter, the foundation of modern English liberty, in the year 1215, only three could write their names. What men of power and wealth were unable to do in those days is now the common accomplishment of children in their early years; and following this rudimentary knowl-

edge they are supplied by the community with the means of securing a useful and generous education. The four thousand school children of Janesville have their full share of these opportunities and blessings; for the city provides eight buildings besides the High school building for educational purposes. Four of these nine structures have been recently erected and they contain all the devices and inventions for contributing to the comfort and development of the pupils which pedagogical science has been able to suggest. The High school building is elegant and elaborate and within its walls departments of cookery and calisthenics, of mental and manual training, of music and mathematics, of philosophy and political economy, of sewing and singing and all the other arts, sciences and accomplishments which go to make up the sum of modern life are presided over by able and practical teachers. There are sixty teachers regularly employed in the city schools and the cost of the educational system is something over forty thousand dollars per year.

If the intellectual wants of the children have their full measure thus filled and satisfied, so likewise are the mental and spiritual needs of the more mature portion of the community amply provided for. In the early sixties a half-dozen young men used to meet in the Water Witch Engine Company building on North Main street and discuss momentous questions pertaining to politics and science, and they gathered together a few books which were termed "a library." This lyceum and the library expanded until they blossomed into the "Young Men's Association," which from 1866 to 1875 was an important factor in the social and political life of the town. About the latter year the lyceum part of the organization was abandoned and the books passed under the control of a company of public-spirited ladies, who succeeded in obtaining an appropriation of six hundred dollars from the city council for the support of a Public Library, which in time came under the control of the city government. The growth of this enterprise is now a familiar story to all the citizens of Janesville. At the present time there are more than sixteen thousand volumes on the shelves; on its tables are to be found all the latest and best periodicals; it is open every week-day and evening at regular hours; during every year forty-five thousand books are drawn from the rooms and taken to the homes of the borrowers, and fifteen thousand persons annually consult the reference books. The thirty thousand dollar contribution of Mr. Andrew Carnegie and the ten thousand dollar bequest of Mr. F. S. Eldred, together with the purchase of a site by the city at a cost of nearly twenty thousand dollars, have enabled the board to enter into a contract for the erection of a handsome and suitable building for a permanent home for the library. This building, constructed of brick and stone, with accommodations for fifty thousand volumes and with convenient reading and children's rooms, is now in process of construction (a very fair design of the building being presented in this Souvenir) and will doubtless be completed in the fall of 1902; and fronting, as it does, on the Court House park, the beauty of that section of the city will be greatly enhanced. The religious demands of the population are ministered to in an even dozen church edifices, nearly all of them creditable structures; while some of them, erected within the last few years, are fine examples of church architecture. The most recent addition to the number is St. Mary's church (Catholic) which—by its commanding situation, its symmetrical appearance and its spire, reaching to a height of more than two hundred feet—is an ornament to the city. The Young Men's Christian Association is a very decided moral force in the community; it has a thirty thousand dollar home of great beauty and utility and it is prosperous and self-sustaining.

To leave the realm of the spiritual and educational and enter that of the practical and commercial, it is to be remarked that a variety of manufacturing enterprises employ the time and thoughts of a large portion of the city's population. One concern that turns out nails and wire fencing and another that makes agricultural machinery have an annual trade of nearly a million dollars each; the finest underwear and the best quality of ladies' shoes are produced here in great quantities; the largest mill in the west for the production of cotton batting and twine is found in Janesville; a company making fountain pens has a four-story plant and its trade extends to every civilized nation; concerns that turn out elegant furniture; others that produce punches and shears; companies that make buggies and carriages by the hundred; a canning factory, a large woolen mill, a corn planter factory, a cigar box factory, flouring mills which grind rye and buckwheat, a pearl button factory and a variety of smaller manufacturing plants, to say nothing of four breweries whose product makes the city famous, constitute the bulk of the industries of Janesville; and all are active and prosperous. A large factory for the making of artificial fence posts and similar articles from sand and cement is being erected, to have an annual output of fifteen hundred thousand posts.

No notice, however brief, of the city would be at all satisfactory without reference to the extensive dealing in tobacco which is here carried on. This industry has rapidly grown in Wisconsin in the last dozen years and excepting one or two other places Janesville is its most important center. There are over thirty warehouses where tobacco is assorted, cased and stored in the city, more than one thousand persons are employed in handling it during the season, and the total investment in this interest at this point represents nearly a million dollars.

Another branch of business in which, since the revival of prosperous times, Janesville has resumed its leading position, is the traffic of horses. All the important foreign and domestic breeds are represented in its stables, and draft, trotting and coach horses are distributed by its dealers over the entire country. The aggregate of sales amounts annually to a very large sum and the trade is constantly increasing and extending.

Reference has been made to the library building now in process of construction, and in addition to this fine edifice, the building for the home of the city government, costing, with the site, about sixty thousand dollars, is now approaching completion. It is capacious and handsome, it is made of stone and steel, three stories in height and of architectural comeliness. On an adjoining square in a central location, the national government is to erect a postoffice building, for which an appropriation of seventy-five thousand dollars has been made by congress. The contract for its construction has been let and work is to be begun without delay. The court house, fronted by the monument erected by Rock county to its soldiers and sailors of the civil war, located in the center of the largest public park, with its environment of trees and flowers, is one of the many choice views of that vicinity. The business streets of the city are lined with substantial and attractive blocks—some of which are new and have all of the accommodations furnished by the "sky scrapers" of the large cities. Several miles of macadam pavement lead into the various residence districts in which handsome homes with lovely lawns and other pleasing surroundings multiply the charms of living and add to the beauty of the city. Partaking of the spirit of the times these improvements are expanding and peaceful rivalry among the various sections causes them to be carried on in every direction.

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LOOKING BACKWARD.

BRIEF AND IMPORTANT HISTORICAL DATA RELATING TO JANESVILLE AND ITS IMMEDIATE VICINITY.

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- 1835—October—John Inman, George Follman, William Holmes and Joshua Holmes settled in the territory now within the city limits, and erected a log cabin on the south bank of the river opposite the "Big Rock," this being the first house built within the present limits of the city of Janesville.
- 1835—November—Samuel St. John, wife and three children arrived, they being the first family to settle here. The St. John family was housed for the winter in the little cabin opposite the "Big Rock," there being nine souls under one roof and in one room.
- 1835—'98—The number of buildings in the present city limits in 1835 was one. In 1898, by actual count, the number of buildings of all classes, other than sheds and out-houses, was 4,411.
- 1836—January—Seth B. St. John born, being the first white child born in the city limits, if not in the limits of Rock county.
- 1836—Spring—Holmes' Ferry established mid-way between the big bend of the river at the foot of South River street and the "Big Rock."
- 1836—Spring—Henry F. Janes (from whom the city takes its name) settled on a claim which embraced the "original plat of the village of Janesville," and built a log cabin on the site of the present Hayes block. This was kept as a "stopping place" for travelers, and was known as "Janes' Ferry."
- 1836—June—The first steamboat from the Mississippi river arrived at the St. John's Rapids, (Monterey) and soon passed the rapids and reached Janes' Ferry, stopping here a few days to give the settlers an opportunity to enjoy excursions. The boat proceeded up the river to Jefferson and in a few days thereafter passed down the river to the Mississippi.
- 1836—June—Mrs. Samuel St. John died, being the first death in the settlement.
- 1836—August—George Holmes died.
- 1836—Fall—Henry F. Janes and Aaron Walker established a ferry at or near the present site of Milwaukee street bridge.
- 1836—October 10—The first election was held, the polls being in the home of Samuel St. John. At this time what is now Rock county was a part of Milwaukee county.
- 1836—'39—Rock county was set off from Milwaukee county in 1836, but continued, with Walworth county, a constituent part of Racine county until the spring of 1839, when it was fully organized. In 1836-'37, the legislature, in session at Belmont, located the county seat upon the same fractional quarter section that Mr. Janes had made claim.
- 1837—April 26—The first U. S. mail arrived in Janesville, brought here on horse-back by Joseph Payne. Payne's route was from Mineral Point via Janesville to Racine. On that day Henry F. Janes was installed as postmaster, and received the first and the only letter brought here in the first mail.
- 1837—Spring—The "original plat of the village of Janesville" was surveyed by Mr. Janes.
- 1837—Hon. E. V. Whiton, afterwards chief justice of the state supreme court and prominent in territorial matters, and a member of the last Constitutional convention, settled in Janesville.
- 1837—Volney Atwood settled in Janesville.
- 1837—September—Rev. Jesse Halslead, a Methodist circuit preacher of the Aztalan circuit, held divine services in Janes' tavern, occupying the bar-room. This was the first religious service ever held in what is now the city of Janesville.
- 1838—The Janesville Stage House, a one and a half story frame, was built by Charles Stevens occupying the site of the present Myers House.
- 1839—May—A steamboat from the Mississippi river passed up Rock river to Jefferson, returning in about a week "bound down the river."
- 1839—June—Ward & Lappin opened the first store in Janesville. The store was on South Main street on the site now occupied by the clothing store of R. M. Bostwick, and was a little frame building fourteen feet square. Their stock of goods inventoried \$350.
- 1839—The first term of the circuit court held, Judge Irving presiding. The court was held in the Janesville Stage House.
- 1840—May—The county commissioners re-plat the village of Janesville.
- 1842—January—The work of building the first court house was commenced, D. A. Richardson being the contractor. The building was completed in December following.
- 1842—The first bridge built across Rock river. This bridge was located on the site of the present Milwaukee street bridge. The timbers used were mostly tamarack poles, and the structure cost \$2,000. It was built by Thomas Lappin, W. H. H. Bailey and Charles Stevens.
- 1843—The upper dam was built by Charles Stevens.
- 1844—July 4—A steamboat, 130 feet in length, arrived at Janesville and celebrated the "glorious Fourth" by giving excursion parties, remaining here and in this vicinity for several weeks, plying between Janesville and Jefferson. Late in the summer the boat turned her bow down stream, the captain bade "good-bye" to his many new made friends, and the steamboat passed down the Rock to the Mississippi. This was the last steamboat from the Mississippi to reach Janesville.
- 1844—A saw mill was built by Charles Stevens on the site of the present Ford mill.
- 1845—The first school house erected in Janesville, being a little one story red brick, located on the east side of Division street, midway between East Milwaukee and Court streets. Mrs. Judge Bailey says that the late Orrin Guernsey was the first or one of the first teachers in charge of this school.
- 1845—August 14—The first number of the Janesville Gazette (weekly) published by Levi Alden and E. A. Stoddard.

1845—Fall—A frame school house was built on Eastern avenue just east of the car barns of the Janesville Street Railway. This building was constructed by the late J. P. Wheeler, under contract. It was painted red, which gave it the name of "The Little Red School House." Mrs. Judge Bailey says this school house was built after the little brick school house on Division street was completed, but in the same year.

1845—The "Big Mill," located on West Milwaukee street—site of the present post-office, built by A. Hyatt Smith.

1846—The first bridge built at Monterey, Captain Ira Miltimore being the contractor.

1848—Second Monday in March—The State Constitution adopted by vote of the people.

1849—May 7—Wm. Hodson's brewery on North Main street (on the site of the New Doty Man'g Co.'s plant) destroyed by fire, including his residence at the corner of North Bluff street and Pease Court. Loss estimated at \$10,000.

1848—May 8—First State election.

1848—May 29—Wisconsin admitted into the Union of States.

1848—June 4—First session of the State Legislature.

1848—The "Excelsior Mills," occupying the site of the present Blodgett mills, built by Hon. Hamilton Richardson.

1848—The "Farmers' Mill," (now the E. P. Doty mill at the foot of Dodge street) occupying the site of F. C. Cook & Co.'s jewelry store, Ranous drug store and the Phoebus block on West Milwaukee street, built by Eli Jones. It was soon after sold to Timothy Jackman and S. W. Smith. About 1885 it was purchased by Captain Pliny Norcross and moved to its present site.

1848—October—The Monterey dam was built by Captain Ira Miltimore.

1848—December 15—The first telegraph office opened in Janesville, the wires running to Milwaukee, thence to Chicago and other points.

1849—The Monterey Woolen Mills were built by F. Whitaker, on the site of the present Rock River Woolen Mills.

1849—The School for the Education of the Blind established in this city by private parties; the first term of school was held in one of Ira Miltimore's buildings on Center avenue near the Monterey bridge. In 1850 the school (still in private hands) was transferred to the residence of Mrs. H. Hunter, on Jackson street, who became matron. Captain Miltimore having donated ten acres of land, (a portion of the present site) a building was erected thereon in 1852 and in the fall of that year the school was held in this building for the first time. About this time the institution became a school of the state. The building was enlarged in 1860, and again in 1868-'69. On the evening of April 13, 1874, the building was totally destroyed by fire, one pupil, Henry Nelson, of Beloit, perished in the flames. Plans were immediately procured for a new building, and a wing of the present building was constructed the same year. Additions have been built from time to time until now the institution presents an imposing appearance, and a beautiful and convenient home for the unfortunate wards therein.

1850—February—The Richardson mill, on the raceway, destroyed by fire.

1851—January 8—Oak Hill Cemetery Association organized with Wm. Macloon as president; E. H. Bennett, secretary, and J. C. Jenkins, treasurer. Previous to this time the grounds now occupied by the Jefferson school were used as a cemetery by both Protestants and Catholics. In 1855-'56 the bodies were disinterred and re-buried in Oak Hill and Mt. Olivet.

1851—June 1—The raceway bank, just north of the Blodgett Mills, gave way under pressure of high water, the flood thus let loose did considerable damage to property on the opposite side of the river, especially at the foot of North First street.

1851—October 1-2—The first state fair ever held in Wisconsin. This was a joint exhibition between the State Fair Association and the Rock County Agricultural Society. The net proceeds were divided equally between the two societies.

1852—Mt. Olivet (Catholic) cemetery dedicated, the Rev. Father McFaul of St. Patrick's parish having previously purchased four acres of land, east of Oak Hill, for a cemetery. In 1869 Rev. Father J. M. Doyle purchased an additional ten acres adjoining the original four acres, which was dedicated as a cemetery the same year.

1853—January 10—The first railway locomotive arrived in Janesville, being in charge of Engineer John C. Fox. This was the date of the completion of the Milwaukee & Mississippi railroad to this city, the depot being on the bluff just east of the Gas Works. The locomotive was named the "Iowa."

1853—April 1—The Stevens House, located on the northwest corner of West Milwaukee and North Franklin streets, totally destroyed by fire.

1853—April 1—The first municipal election in the city of Janesville.

1853—Summer—U. S. Grant, then residing at Galena, visited Janesville with a party of railroad men, registering at the old American House and staying over night.

1854—July 4—The first number of the Janesville Daily Gazette issued by Levi Alden and Charles Holt. The publication of this daily was suspended on October 7 of the same year.

1855—February—The Janesville Fire Department was organized.

1855—June 16—Andrew Alger brutally and horribly murdered in Spaulding's woods, at the head of Milton avenue.

1855—June 25—The two hand fire engines arrived—Rock River No. 1, and Water Witch No. 2, with a two wheel horse cart for each.

1855—June 25 (evening)—First regular parade of the Janesville Fire Department in full uniform, leather helmets, red shirts, black pants, red-top boots and leather belts, with the name of the company in brass letters.

1855—June 27—The school house in the Third ward, located in what is now Forest Park addition, near Logan avenue, destroyed by fire, being the first fire after the arrival of the hand engines.

1855—July 4—Oregon Engine Co. No. 3, of Milwaukee, visited Janesville and participated in the Fourth of July celebration as the guests of the Janesville department.

1855—July 5—Andrew Alger's body found and brought to the city, David F. Maberry, of Winnebago county, Illinois, having been arrested charged with the murder.

1855—July 12—David F. Maberry, having been convicted of the murder of Andrew Alger, was sentenced by Judge Doolittle to imprisonment for life.

1855—July 12—David F. Maberry, while being taken from the court house to the jail, at about 12:30 p. m., was taken from the officers by a large and infuriated mob, who, after placing a rope around the doomed man's neck he was dragged from the front of the jail (then situated on Court street in the park, on the east side of Bluff street) down Court street to Main, thence through the park to a point nearly opposite Hon. Hiram Merrill's residence; the rope was thrown over a limb of a tree and the murderer was swung into eternity. After hanging a few minutes the body was let down, but signs of life were visible and it was again swung up and watched by the mob until all were convinced that life had flown from the wretch's body. The mob quietly dispersed, the authorities took the body down, conveying it to the court house a few yards distant. It is claimed that Maberry's body was buried just outside the fence at Oak Hill; that his skull was sent to Prof. O. F. Fowler, of New York, and that Prof. Fowler used it afterwards to illustrate his lectures on phrenology. The truth of this claim is known to but few, if to any, now living.

1855—October 16—The Rock County Bank organized, Timothy Jackman, president; Andrew Palmer, vice president; J. B. Crosby, cashier. Capital stock, \$50,000. In 1855, January 13th, it was organized as a national bank, and since that time has been known as the Rock County National Bank, Timothy Jackman remaining as president; J. J. R. Pease, vice president; J. B. Crosby, cashier. Capital stock, \$100,000; with a surplus of \$31,000. The charter of this bank has been extended once, 1885, for twenty years. The present officers are: C. S. Jackman, president; _____, vice president; A. P. Burnham, cashier; Frank H. Jackman, assistant cashier.

1855—October 19—The Central Bank of Wisconsin began business. President, O. W. Norton; cashier, Wm. A. Lawrence. Organized as the First National Bank in September, 1863. E. R. Doe was the first president, succeeded in 1864 by J. D. Rexford, and J. B. Doe, cashier. Only once in its history of nearly fifty years has this bank failed to pay a semi-annual dividend; that was in January, 1861, at the beginning of the civil war. The charter was extended in 1882 and in 1902, each period for twenty years. The present officers are: Stanley B. Smith, president; Levi B. Carle, vice president; John G. Rexford, cashier.

1855—Fall—First term of the Janesville High School.

1856—April 15—The Janesville Police Court established; Sanford A. Hudson, Police Justice.

1856—The Monterey bridge rebuilt by the city, Ira Miltimore and John Peters being the contractors.

1856—September 15—The first passenger train on the Chicago, St. Paul & Fond du Lac railroad arrived at the depot on the bluff at the south end of the present Northwestern bridge at Monterey.

- 1856—The Janesville Gas Co. completed its plant and turned on gas, and many business men and housekeepers threw away their camphene lamps and installed the new illuminator.
- 1857—March 9—The Janesville Morning Gazette made its first appearance, published by Charles Holt and Hiram Bowen. The Daily Gazette is still published by the Gazette Printing Co.
- 1857 to 1902—The following is a list of educators who have acted in the dual capacity of Principal of the High School and City Superintendent, serving in the order named: Prof. O. F. Gorton, Prof. Levi Cass, Prof. John James McKindley, Prof. Lockwood, Miss Byrnes, Prof. Hutchins, Prof. O. R. Smith, Dr. E. A. P. Brewster, Prof. W. D. Parker, Prof. R. W. Burton, Prof. C. H. Keyes, Prof. I. N. Stewart, Prof. F. W. Cooley, Prof. D. D. Mayne, Prof. H. C. Buell.
- 1857—November 27—The Hume & Spencer Planing Mill (occupying the site of the wood shop of the Janesville Machine Co.) destroyed by fire.
- 1857—The Hyatt House, on the corner of West Milwaukee and North Franklin streets, completed, costing upwards of \$140,000.
- 1857—Chester A. Arthur, afterwards President of the United States, registered at the Hyatt House, he being in the west on a prospecting tour.
- 1858—The Jefferson School building erected at a cost of \$33,000. In 1859 the High school was transferred from the old stone Academy on South High street (near West Milwaukee) to the Jefferson building, occupying the upper floor, where it continued until the completion of the present High School building on South High street.
- 1858—The first class of the Janesville High School graduated. There were only three in the class, they being: E. E. Woodman, M. Rosella Moon, Sabra Scofield.
- 1859—April 12—Chief Justice E. V. Whiton, of the State Supreme Court, died.
- 1859—May 22—The Rock County Court House totally destroyed by fire.
- 1859—October 2—Abraham Lincoln made a political speech in Young America Hall, coming here from Beloit with Mayor A. A. Jackson, who entertained him while in the city.
- 1859—October 12—Stephen A. Douglas, Democratic candidate for President of the United States, visited Janesville and made a political speech to a large crowd in front of the Hyatt House.
- 1861—May 6—Company D, Second Regiment Wisconsin Volunteers, Captain Geo. B. Ely, left Janesville for Camp Randall (Madison); mustered into the United States service June 11. On June 20 the regiment left Camp Randall for Washington, stopping at Janesville to partake of a grand dinner which the patriotic ladies of the city had provided. Tables sufficient to accommodate the entire regiment were set in a beautiful grove occupying the site of Schaller & McKey's lumber yard.
- 1861—June 22—Company E (Janesville Light Guard), Fifth Regiment Wisconsin Volunteers, Captain H. M. Wheeler, left Janesville for Camp Randall. Mustered into the United States service July 13 and left Camp Randall for the Army of Eastern Virginia July 24. Mustered out July 16, 1865.
- 1861—August 12—Company G (Janesville Fire Zouaves), Eighth Regiment Wisconsin Volunteers, Captain W. B. Britton, left Janesville for Camp Randall. A large portion of this company was recruited from the Janesville Fire Department; Captain Britton resigned the office of chief engineer to join the boys; First Lieutenant C. P. King resigned the foremanship of No. 2 company; Second Lieutenant Richard D. Beamish resigned the position of hose captain in the same company, and Orderly Sergeant Wm. H. Sargent resigned the office of secretary of his company and of the department. The company was mustered into the United States service on September 5, and on October 12 the regiment left Camp Randall for the south.
- 1861—August—The Thirteenth Regiment Wisconsin Volunteers, six companies of which were recruited in Rock county and four companies in Green and Walworth counties, commenced to rendezvous at Camp Treadway—fair grounds on Milwaukee avenue. The regiment was mustered into the United States service October 17, and left Camp Treadway for Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, January 18, 1862. The company commanders from Janesville, where most of the recruiting was done, were: Company A, Captain Edward Ruger; Company B, Captain E. E. Woodman; Company F, Captain F. F. Stevens; Company K, Captain Pliny Norcross; Company D, Captain E. W. Blake, and Company G, Captain A. N. Randall, were recruited in other parts of Rock county. Captain Maurice Maloney, of the regular army, was commissioned colonel of this regiment, but soon after was succeeded by Captain W. P. Lyon, of the Eighth Wisconsin Volunteers.
- 1861—Company M, Second Wisconsin Cavalry, Captain Nathaniel Parker, was recruited in and about Janesville, but there are no reliable records giving data of the formation of the company at hand.

- 1861—November 1—The Myers House opened for business.
- 1861—December 4—Company E, Third Wisconsin Cavalry, Captain Ira Justin, Jr., went into camp with the rest of the regiment at Camp Cameron (Spring Brook), this city. This company was recruited in Janesville and adjoining towns.
- 1862—January 18—The Thirteenth Regiment Wisconsin Volunteers, Colonel Maurice Maloney, left Camp Treadway for the southwest, going to Fort Leavenworth.
- 1862—March 26—The Third Wisconsin Cavalry, Colonel Wm. A. Barstow, left Camp Cameron for the southwest.
- 1862—June 17—Company E, Twenty-Second Regiment Wisconsin Volunteers, Captain Isaac Miles mustered into the United States service at Camp Utley. Two weeks later the regiment left camp for Cincinnati. June 12, 1865, the regiment was mustered out.
- 1862—August 20—Lieutenant E. G. Harlow, with about sixty recruits for the Twelfth Wisconsin Battery, left the city for Camp Randall. They remained in camp but a few days, as they were in the battle of Iuka, Mississippi, September 19.
- 1862—September 29—Company E, Thirty-Third Regiment Wisconsin Volunteers, Captain Ira Miltimore, left Janesville for Camp Utley (Racine); mustered into the United States service October 18, and left Camp Utley for the south November 12.
- 1863—November 12—The first draft for recruits for the United States army. President Lincoln called for 500,000 men. The quota for Janesville under this call was 125. The draft took place in Lappin's hall (now Hayes block), there being considerable excitement but no disturbance.
- 1863—November 22—"Fox Hall" destroyed by fire.
- 1864—January 1—Coldest day ever known in southern Wisconsin. A regular blizzard prevailed on New Year's Eve. The new year dawned with a clear sky, thermometers all dropped down into the bulb and people kept close to their fires all day. It was extremely cold all over the country; the soldiers in the army in the south suffered from the extreme cold.
- 1864—May 17—Company A, Fortieth Regiment Wisconsin Volunteers (one hundred days), Captain S. T. Lockwood, left Janesville for Camp Randall; left Camp Randall for the south June 14.
- 1865—September 29—General W. T. Sherman was a guest of the State Agricultural society at the state fair.
- 1865—November 2—The Roethinger Brewery at the foot of South Main street, destroyed by fire.
- 1865—December 12—Great fire on North Main street. The fire started from some unknown cause in the B. Wheeler liquor store at the corner of North Main and North First streets, and destroyed all the buildings on the east side of Main street south to the Carle block, besides several residences and barns east of the big fire and some distance away. E. H. Bennett's residence at the corner of East Milwaukee and Division streets (site of the Galbraith barns), was totally destroyed. The hand engines were "froze up" and did very little effective work.
- 1867—January 12—The Hyatt House, a five story brick at the corner of West Milwaukee and North Franklin streets, totally destroyed by fire. Miss Maggie Burns, an employe of the hotel, perished in the flames on the fifth floor, being unable to escape. Loss on building and contents estimated at \$140,000, with very little insurance.
- 1867—January 15—Morse & Hansen Furniture factory on the raceway, including the McChesney mill, totally destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$20,000.
- 1867—July 14—Allen & Schuyler's Flax mill, at Monterey, totally destroyed by fire.
- 1868—January 20—The American House (occupying the site of the present Court Street church), totally destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$12,000.
- 1868—August—The two steam fire engines (the first a Silsby rotary and the second a Button piston engine) arrived and tested during the month, and finally the city purchased both, placing the Silsby on the west side and the Button on the east side.
- 1868—September 27—All the stores over the raceway, on West Milwaukee street from the alley by the postoffice west to River street, were totally destroyed by fire. The buildings were all frames, one and two stories high. Loss estimated at \$20,000. This was the last service of the hand engines and the first real service of the steamers.
- 1868—October 1—Adam Wilson's shop at the corner of South River and Dodge streets, totally destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$12,000.
- 1868—November 23—J. C. Fredendall's block, corner of South Main and Court streets, destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$12,000.

1869—April 29—Dr. Wm. P. Duvall's wife (Elizabeth Duvall) died very suddenly and mysteriously at the Borden House, where she and her husband were boarding. Her death was supposed to be from poison. A coroner's inquest and post mortem were held, and on May 4, 1869, Dr. Duvall was arrested and placed in jail to answer the charge of murdering his wife by poison. He was tried and convicted of murder in the first degree on March 10, 1870, but succeeded in getting a new trial and change of venue to Elkhorn. The second trial took place in September, at which time he was again found guilty of murder in the first degree and, on September 10, 1870, sentenced to Waupun for life.

1869—September 1—The first number of the "Rock County Recorder" (weekly) issued; G. Veeder and Sylvester St. John, proprietors.

1869—December 9—The old wooden buildings occupying the site of the Carle (Smith) block, on North Main and East Milwaukee streets, were totally destroyed by fire.

1869—December 25—Humphrey Roberts fatally shot by ——— Stowe at the farm of J. C. Jenkins, in the town of Harmony. Stowe was in the city late in the evening, and was considerably under the influence of liquor, so much so that he was unable to manage his team. Roberts took him home, going into the farm house. Stowe became quarrelsome and finally grabbed his gun and shot Roberts. Stowe was sent to Waupun, where he died.

1870—The present Court House completed.

1871—June 29—The "Big Mill", occupying the site of the present postoffice, totally destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$45,000.

1872—May 21—The Ice Skating rink, corner of South Main and South Second streets, totally destroyed by fire.

1872—July 18—The Roethinger Brewery, at the foot of South Main street, totally destroyed by fire.

1872—July 19—The passenger depot of the C. & N. W. railway, at the "Five Points", totally destroyed by fire.

1874—February 21—The Union House, North First street, badly damaged by fire and water.

1874—April 12—The Wisconsin School for the Blind totally destroyed by fire. Henry Nelson, a pupil from Beloit, perished in the flames.

1875—March 18—The Madison House, West Milwaukee street, totally destroyed by fire.

1875—April 6—The Harris Works (now Janesville Machine Co.) destroyed by fire.

1875—May 1—The Congregational church totally destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$55,000.

1875—October 16—The Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank organized under the state laws. Capital, \$50,000. David Jeffris, president; H. G. Reichwald, cashier. The present officers are: President, W. S. Jeffris; cashier, Wm. Bladon. Capital, \$50,000; surplus, \$50,000.

1876—April 9—The City Hotel at the "Five Points" totally destroyed by fire.

1876—The west side fire station built.

1877—November 18—The Williams House (site of the present Grand Hotel) totally destroyed by fire.

1877—The east side fire station built.

1878—March 11—The first number of the Janesville Daily Recorder issued; G. Veeder and W. H. Leonard, proprietors.

1879—May 13—George Mack murdered at his farm home in the town of Turtle. His wife, Melinda Mack, and Frank Dickerson, a farm hand, were arrested charged with committing the crime. Both were convicted and sentenced to prison for life. Dickerson was taken to Waupun, where he served until January 2, 1891, when he was pardoned by the governor. Mrs. Mack secured, through the supreme court, a new trial. She married Watsie, the principal witness for the State, and after a change of venue to Jefferson and another trial, her bail bonds were cancelled and she was allowed to go at large on her own recognizance.

1879—May 26—Frank Dickerson, convicted of the murder of George Mack, sentenced by Judge Conger to Waupun for life.

1879—September 23—Little Alexander ("Sandy") White brutally murdered by Geo. Baumgartner in the town of Porter.

1879—October 6—An immense mob rode into the city at midnight and, after surrounding the jail, made a demand on Sheriff Comstock for the surrender of Baumgartner. Sheriff Comstock

had been fully advised of the intentions of the mob during Sunday afternoon, and early in the evening he placed the prisoner in charge of Under Sheriff J. F. Drake, with instructions to take him to Elkhorn. Sheriff Comstock informed the leaders of the mob that Baumgartner was not in the jail; an investigating or searching committee was appointed and Sheriff Comstock permitted this committee to make a thorough search of the jail. The committee finally reported to the excited crowd outside that the prisoner was not in the jail. After sparring a little and exchanging some compliments, the mob disappeared. Baumgartner was taken from Elkhorn to Monroe, where he pleaded guilty to the murder of the little boy, and Judge Conger sentenced him to Waupun for life.

1879—October 19—Edward Fogarty murdered by Henry Christinson near Milton. The body was placed in a straw stack and the stack set afire in hopes of consuming the body.

1880—September 8—Ex-President U. S. Grant visited Janesville and held a reception at the Myers House. An immense crowd of people passed through the hotel to see the great hero.

1880—December 20—The H. A. Doty Feed Mill on North Main street totally destroyed by fire.

1881—February 2—Cairns Bros.' dry goods store on West Milwaukee street destroyed by fire.

1881—February 24—Senator Matt. H. Carpenter died in Washington.

1881—April 21—High water in Rock river, the highest ever known. Water flooded North Main street from Fourth avenue north to the bayou so that residents were compelled to use boats in getting to and from their homes, and many were compelled to move to the upper rooms, the lower floors being flooded. Water from the raceway just passed over West Milwaukee street at River street, and the water covered the lower floors in all the stores over the race on West Milwaukee street, and filled all the cellars on North Main street as far south as Court street.

1881—April 23—The Monterey dam destroyed by the high water.

1881—The Municipal Court of Rock County established, the first term being held the last Monday in June, Judge L. F. Patten presiding.

1881—July 5—The Notbohm Mills at Monterey totally destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$25,000. The south end of Monterey bridge was seriously damaged by this fire.

1881—August 9—The McLean Woolen Mills at Monterey totally destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$35,000.

1881—September 14—The C. M. & St. P. coal yards totally destroyed by fire. The entire fire department was on the fair ground with the fire apparatus when the fire started.

1882—February 26—Snow blockade. All railroads in the northwest were blocked for two and three days; the streets of this city were blockaded to such extent that all travel was abandoned, and nearly every able bodied man was put to shoveling snow. Country roads were impassable for fully a week.

1882—March 13—The frame annex of the Janesville Cotton Factory, over the raceway, damaged to the extent of \$17,000 by fire, the damage being mostly on machinery.

1882—March 25—The Janesville Police Court abolished.

1882—April 19—The upper dam carried away by the high water.

1882—May 17—Wm. H. Churchman, formerly superintendent for the School for the Blind in this city, and later chaplain of the United States Senate for a number of years, died at Indianapolis, aged 84 years. He was totally blind.

1882—October 22—Judge H. S. Conger, of the Circuit Court, died.

1882—October 22—Charles A. Stewart arrested for the murder of Spencer Turner, in the town of Plymouth.

1883—June 12—Tornado in the towns of Turtle and La Prairie.

1883—July 1—Jerry M. Haselton, city treasurer, died.

1883—August 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12—First Regiment W. N. G., Colonel W. B. Britton, in camp at Camp Palmer (Oak Lawn).

1883—August 11—General Lucius Fairchild held a reception with Governor Rusk at Surgeon General Henry Palmer's home on Madison street.

1883—August 28—Terrible hail storm; crops seriously damaged, tobacco, in many instances, totally ruined.

1884—January 13—The Baptist church totally destroyed by fire.

1884—January 23—G. A. R. Grand Encampment held here.
 1884—March 12—Roller skating rink opened in the Norcross block.
 1884—May 24—Frank F. Punchon arrested for the murder of Augusta Luckow.
 1884—September 8—Cold Spring Brewery destroyed by fire.
 1884—December 12—The Janesville Business Men's Association organized with Dr. Henry Palmer as president.
 1885—March 19—Riverside Roller Rink opened.
 1885—May 29—A row of seven wooden buildings on West Milwaukee street, owned by Messrs. Mackin, Blesdale, Merrill and Palmer totally destroyed by fire.
 1885—June 28—The C. M. & St. P. freight depot on North Academy street destroyed by fire.
 1885—October 8—Franchise granted the Janesville Street Railway Co. to build a horse railway in the streets and across the city bridges.
 1885—September 3, 4 and 5—The Janesville Fire Department, with a number of city officials, visited Fond du Lac and Oshkosh. On Sunday, September 5, the party was treated to a steamboat ride on Lake Winnebago to Island Park, where most of the day was pleasantly spent; returning in the afternoon the boat landed at the Northern Hospital for the Insane, and the party, under the leadership of Superintendent Wiginton, spent a couple of hours inspecting that institution.
 1886—July 18—Henry Search and wife murdered at their farm home just west of the city limits.
 1886—July 22—The Janesville Street Railway opened.
 1886—August 27—Wisconsin Lodge No. 14, I. O. O. F., purchased the Wheeler block, corner of North Main and North First streets.
 1886—September 15—Judge Amos P. Prichard, of the County Court, died. Judge Prichard was elected County Judge in 1857 and held the office up to his death, almost forty years.
 1886—Myers opera house completed.
 1886—August 20—Fourth avenue bridge opened for public travel.
 1886—December 12—Free delivery system installed in Janesville by the postoffice department.
 1887—January 20—Artesian water flow at the water works pumping station. The well is 1,060 feet in depth, eight inch bore, and flows, as near as can be ascertained, 500 gallons of water per minute.
 1887—May 10—Franchise granted Turner, Clark & Rawson to construct and operate a system of water works in this city.
 1887—November—Contract entered into with the Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Co. to install system in this city.
 1887—December—The fire alarm system completed, tested and accepted by the city.
 1888—January 6—The Wisconsin Shoe Co.'s plant, corner of South Main and South Second streets, partly destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$7,000.
 1888—January 6, 2:20 a. m.—The first fire alarm sent in over the new fire alarm system, Hon. Fenner Kimball pulling box 31 for the fire at the Wisconsin Shoe Co. plant.
 1888—January 29—Boiler explosion at Kastner & Carle's feed mill on Center avenue. Two men Byron Kennedy and James Bracken killed.
 1888—March 13—Peter Myers died.
 1888—June 2—Water works completed, tested and service accepted by the common council.
 1889—February 20—Myers opera house destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$40,000. Small insurance.
 1891—January 2—Frank Dickerson, serving a life sentence at Waupun for the murder of George Mack, pardoned by the governor.
 1891—January 12—Myers opera house completed and opened by the Great Metropolis company.
 1891—The iron bridge at Monterey built under contract by the Wisconsin Bridge & Iron Co., of Milwaukee.
 1891—March 28—The Bat factories of C. Bailey and Howe Brothers, North River and Race streets, partly destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$8,000.
 1891—March 30—Thomas Lappin died.
 1891—June 3—Mrs. John Winans appointed World's Fair Commissioner by Governor Peck.

1891—June 29—Patrick Hageny, August Benwitz, John Flaherty killed by the falling walls while at work razing the old Douglas school building.
 1891—August 29—Rock river at low water mark.
 1891—December 14—Allen C. Bates, alderman from the Second ward for twenty-one years, died.
 1892—August 27—Mrs. Daniel Stone murdered at her home in the town of Fulton.
 1892—October 10—The Wisconsin Telephone Co. granted a franchise by the common council.
 1892—October 17—A. Hyatt Smith, Janesville's first mayor, died.
 1892—December 4—Matthew R. Ashton indicted for the murder of Mrs. Daniel Stone.
 1892—December 30—Four hundred thousand dollars invested in new buildings in Janesville during the year.
 1893—January 29—The Janesville Street Railway sold to Geo. W. Blabon, of Philadelphia.
 1893—February 17—The Barker farm purchased by the county for an insane asylum, poor house and farm.
 1893—April 13—Matthew Bitson murdered his wife and Mrs. Arthur Hern at his home on the Hern farm in the town of La Prairie; he then set the house afire and endeavored to escape, but was captured a day or two after near Clinton. A mob assembled at Clinton to lynch Bitson, but Sheriff Bear and his posse kept the prisoner safe until the arrival of a company of militia from Madison, when he was taken to the Jefferson county jail.
 1893—November 20—General J. B. Doe appointed Assistant Secretary of War by President Cleveland.
 1893—December 11—Matthew Bitson plead guilty to the charge of murdering his wife and Mrs. Arthur Hern. Sentenced by Judge Bennett to Waupun for life.
 1894—February 3—Matthew R. Ashton sentenced to prison for life for the murder of Mrs. Daniel Stone.
 1894—February 18—Matthew R. Ashton, convicted and sentenced to prison for life, for the murder of Mrs. Daniel Stone, died of small-pox in the Dane county jail.
 1894—March 30—The county insane and poor removed from Johnstown to the new quarters at Barker's Corners.
 1894—April 13—Corner stone of the Y. M. C. A. building laid in place with appropriate ceremonies.
 1894—June 11—Gilbert Dolson, first chief of the fire department, died at Albany, Wisconsin.
 1894—July 13—The Janesville Barb Wire plant damaged by fire.
 1894—September 28—The Wilcox frame buildings on Court street, near the bridge, destroyed by fire.
 1894—December 29—The Willard farm, where Frances Willard spent her girlhood, sold to Mr. Blackman.
 1895—April 15—The Bower City Bank opened for business, with Fenner Kimball as president; John W. Sale, vice president, and A. E. Bingham, cashier. Capital, \$50,000. The present officers are: Geo. G. Sutherland, president; John W. Sale, vice president; Albert E. Bingham, cashier; H. D. Murdock, assistant cashier.
 1895—July 8—The Palmer Memorial Hospital opened with Dr. E. E. Loomis as president, and Dr. Geo. G. Sutherland as secretary, and a full staff of physicians and surgeons. The present officers are: Dr. E. E. Loomis, president; Dr. James Mills, secretary.
 1895—August 24—The Y. M. C. A. building opened for inspection.
 1895—The High School building on South High street, between Dodge and Pleasant streets, completed, and the fall term of school convened therein.
 1895—November 8—The Recorder Printing Co. organized, with T. T. Croft as president and B. J. Daly as secretary. This company purchased the Recorder plant and changed the politics of the paper from republican to democratic, with General J. B. Doe in the editorial chair and C. L. Clark as business manager.
 1895—December 17—The Y. M. C. A. building dedicated.
 1896—February 13—The Rock County Medical Society organized.
 1896—April 13—Thoroughgood & Co.'s cigar box factory on North Main street seriously damaged by fire and water.
 1896—June 10—The Woodman's picnic held in Janesville. An immense crowd of people present from Northern Illinois and Southern Wisconsin.

- 1896—June 15—The Postal Telegraph Co. granted a franchise by the common council.
- 1896—July 20—Frederick and Freeman Geeser (brothers) suffocated by foul gas while attempting to clean a cess pool at Gray's Ginger Ale and Pop Factory on Locust street.
- 1897—May 27—The Local Board of Underwriters organized, with Silas Hayner as president.
- 1897—July 8—The thermometer registered over 100 degrees in the shade.
- 1897—September 25—The Chicago & Northwestern Co. contract with O. F. Nowlan to build a new passenger depot in this city.
- 1897—November 19—The Woodruff Buckle factory, corner of North Franklin and Ravine streets, seriously damaged by fire and water.
- 1898—April 16—Company A, First Regiment W. N. G., Captain Charles L. Hanson, left Janesville for Camp Harvey (Milwaukee), and soon after left the State with the regiment for the Spanish war.
- 1898—September 25—Judge M. M. Phelps, of the Municipal Court, died.
- 1899—June 9—Judge John R. Bennett, of the Circuit Court, died.
- 1900—January 23—The Rock county jail completed and accepted by the county.
- 1900—June 15—The plant of the Wisconsin Carriage Co., on West Bluff street, totally destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$18,000.
- 1900—August 10—E. P. Slater, engineer, and August Abendroth, fireman, killed by a collision of a passenger train and a switch engine on C. M. & St. P. Railway near the Hanson Furniture Factory.
- 1900—September 10—The plant of the Choate-Hollister Furniture Co., at Spring Brook, destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$18,000.
- 1901—March 25—The gasoline engine at the Janesville Barb Wire Plant exploded, killing James Horn and Daniel Preller.
- 1901—October 19—The corner stone of the City Hall laid by the Grand Lodge of Masons with imposing ceremonies.
- 1901—December 7—The C. M. & St. P. railway opened the new freight depot on North Main street for business.
- 1902—February 3—The F. M. Marzluff & Co.'s shoe factory destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$55,000.
- 1902—February 4—The car barns and shop of the Janesville Street Railway Co., on Eastern avenue (Spring Brook) destroyed by fire.
- 1902—February 23—The Firemen's Relief Association of the City of Janesville organized, with John C. Spencer as president and James Gillispie as secretary.
- 1902—May—The contractors commenced building the Public Library on South Main street.
- 1902—May—The C. M. & St. P. R. R. Co. commenced building a new passenger depot between North Jackson and North Academy streets.
- 1902—June—The contract for building the Government postoffice at the corner of South Franklin and Dodge streets, let to Messrs. Yeager, of Danville, Ill.

JANESVILLE CHURCHES—WHEN THEY WERE ORGANIZED.

With Some Other Interesting Data Relating to the Same.

- 1843—THE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH Organized with nine members; John Winn as leader. In 1848 the society succeeded in building a small church and parsonage. In July, 1853, the present church, at the corner of South Jackson and Center streets, was dedicated.
- 1844—TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH Organized September 18, with six members; Rev. Thomas J. Ruger, rector. July 5, 1847, steps were taken to build a brick church. A. Hyatt Smith donated a lot at the corner of North Jackson and West Bluff streets, and the present house of worship was erected and was consecrated in June, 1848.
- 1844—THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Organized October 13, with thirteen members; Rev. Jeremiah Murphy, pastor. In 1851 a house of worship was built at the corner of Cherry and Pleasant Streets; in 1867 this was disposed of and the society erected a handsome church at the corner of South Jackson and Pleasant Streets; this was destroyed by fire on Sunday evening, January 13, 1884. The present handsome church was built in 1884.

- 1845—THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH Organized February 11, with fifteen members; Rev. C. A. Buckley, pastor. In 1849-50 a brick church was built at the corner of South Jackson and Dodge streets, and dedicated in October, 1850. In 1865-66 this building was razed to make room for a new house of worship which cost \$57,000, including the organ which cost \$6,500. This building was totally destroyed by fire on May 1, 1875. The society went to work at once and built the present handsome temple, which was completed and dedicated in 1876.
- 1846—ST. PATRICK'S (CATHOLIC) CHURCH—Rev. Father Morrissey, a Catholic missionary with headquarters in Milwaukee, was the first priest to hold services in Janesville, as well as in several other towns along Rock river; he traveled his circuit on horse-back and visited each place once a month. In Janesville Father Morrissey held services at the residence of James Torny, performing marriage ceremonies and baptisms. In 1847 he was succeeded by Father Kernan, who continued to call at Janesville once a month, using the school house in the neighborhood of the present church for holding services. In 1847 a small brick church was built at the corner of Holmes and Cherry streets, which was enlarged from time to time until 1864, when the present handsome building was completed. St. Joseph's Convent and school buildings, adjoining the church on the east, were soon after completed.
- 1855—THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Organized May 5, with twelve members, Rev. M. W. Staples, pastor. The same year a house of worship was erected on North Jackson street, between Wall and West Bluff streets, and dedicated late in the fall. In 1891 the present handsome church at the corner of Wall and North Jackson streets, was built, and the frame church was disposed of.
- 1855—THE NORWEGIAN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH Organized with Rev. Adolph Preuss, pastor. At first the society had no regular place of worship but held services in the court room, and on extra occasions in the Episcopal and Presbyterian chapels. In 1873 their present house of worship at the corner of Madison and West Bluff streets was erected at a cost of about \$2000.
- 1859—CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Organized September 20, with Revs. Thomas J. Ruger and H. W. Spaulding, rectors. Services were held in Lappin's hall and in the dining hall of the old Ogden house until October 31, 1861, when their present house of worship on Court street, near Wisconsin street, was consecrated by the Rt. Rev. Jackson Kemper, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Wisconsin.
- 1865—ST. PAUL'S GERMAN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH Organized with Rev. H. Ernst, pastor. In 1867 the society purchased Hope Chapel, located at the corner of East Milwaukee and Wisconsin streets, which they used as a house of worship until their present church at the corner of South Academy and School streets was completed, which was in 1883. This society has a chime of bells in the belfry of their church.
- 1867—COURT STREET METHODIST CHURCH Organized; the society had no regular installed pastor until August, 1870, when Rev. G. M. Steele took charge of the society, he being succeeded in October of the same year by Rev. O. B. Thayer. The church, at the corner of Court and South Main streets, was dedicated August 18, 1870, Rev. Dr. Hatfield, of Chicago, officiating.
- 1876—ST. MARY'S (CATHOLIC) CHURCH Organized in the spring with Rev. Father John Munich, pastor. The same year a very handsome frame house of worship was built at the corner of Wisconsin and North First streets. The large increase in members compelled the construction of a new and larger church, and it fell to the lot of Rev. Father Goebel, the present pastor, to undertake this task, although his predecessor—Father Roche—had accumulated considerable of a building fund previous to the coming of the former. The old frame church was moved to the corner of Prospect Avenue and Wisconsin Street, the original grounds were graded and in 1901 the erection of the new church was commenced and completed in 1902. It was dedicated by Bishop Muldoon, of Chicago, June 14, 1902. This is by far the most imposing and handsomest church building in the city; situated in a prominent section of the city, on high ground, its beautiful design and tall steeple add to the beauty of Janesville's architecture.
- 1890—ST. JOHN'S GERMAN LUTHERAN CHURCH Organized in April with Rev. George Kaempflin, pastor, and fourteen members. The society purchased the property at the corner of North Bluff street and Pease Court, the buildings were remodeled into a house of worship and parsonage the same year and the church was dedicated September 13.

CHURCH SOCIETIES.

All the church organizations have one or more auxiliary societies directly connected with the parent society. The Catholics, the Episcopalians, and the German Lutherans have parochial schools in connection with their churches.

CITY OFFICERS.

Elections held on first Tuesday in April. Municipal year commences on the third Tuesday in April. Since 1885 the term of all elective officers is two years.

MAYORS.

1853—A. Hyatt Smith, to
1854—J. Bodwell Doe, to
1855—Edward L. Dimock, to
1856—John J. R. Pease, to
1857—A. Hyatt Smith, to
1858—Wm. A. Lawrence,* to
1858—Sandford A. Hudson,* to
1860—R. B. Treat, to
1861—J. Bodwell Doe, to
1863—R. B. Treat, to
1864—John Mitchell, to
1866—Henry Palmer, to
1868—A. A. Jackson, to
1869—R. A. Loveland, to
1870—J. Bodwell Doe, to
1871—Anson Rogers, to

1872—James Sutherland, to
1874—Hiram Merrill, to
1875—J. W. St. John, to
1877—Pliny Norcross, to
1879—Samuel C. Cobb, to
1881—A. P. Lovejoy, to
1882—Thos. T. Croft, to
1883—J. W. St. John, to
1884—Alex. Richardson, to
1885—John Winans, to
1889—J. W. St. John,† to
1892—O. D. Rowe,|| to
1893—John Thoroughgood, to
1895—F. S. Baines, to
1897—John Thoroughgood, to
1899—Victor P. Richardson, to

*Resigned September 4, 1858. †Elected September 20, 1858. ‡Resigned March 18, 1892.
||Elected to fill vacancy at charter election.

CITY CLERKS.

1853—James H. Ogilvie, to
1854—Amos P. Prichard, to
1857—Felix Barrere, to
1862—Andrew Boss, to
1863—Geo. H. Williston, to
1870—C. L. Valentine, to
1875—Joseph Wallace, to

1876—Edward L. Dimock, to
1878—James M. Burgess, to
1881—C. E. Church, to
1887—P. S. Fenton, to
1889—Geo. H. Bates, to
1895—A. E. Badger, to

CITY TREASURERS.

1853—J. W. Hobson, to
1854—John W. White, to
1855—Freeman A. Kimball, to
1856—Gilbert Dolson,* to
1856—Delos W. White,† to
1857—Ira Justin, Jr., to
1860—George A. Young, to

1862—Sylvester Foord, Jr., to
1869—F. S. Lawrence, to
1874—J. M. Haselton,† to
1883—J. A. Blount,† to
1886—Michael Murphy, to
1894—Jas. A. Fathers, to

*Resigned December 26, 1856. †Elected December 26, 1856. ‡Died July 1, 1883.
||Elected July 9, 1883.

CITY ATTORNEYS.

1853—Chas. S. Jordan,* to
1853—Sandford A. Hudson,† to
1854—O. C. Merriman,† to
1854—DeWitt Rexford,|| to
1855—G. W. Cummings, to
1856—I. C. Sloan, to
1857—J. W. D. Parker, to
1858—Isaac Woodie, to
1861—No Attorney, to
1863—J. W. D. Parker, to
1864—C. G. Williams, to
1866—John Winans, to
1869—John W. Sale, to

1871—John Winans, to
1872—John W. Sale, to
1874—John Winans, to
1875—Pliny Norcross, to
1877—Edwin F. Carpenter, to
1878—Horace McElroy, to
1879—Edwin F. Carpenter, to
1880—Edward M. Hyzer, to
1884—Wm. Smith, to
1886—Chas. E. Pierce, to
1888—Joseph B. Doe, to
1892—Horace McElroy, to
1898—F. C. Burpee, to

*Resigned April 30, 1853. †Elected May 3, 1853. ‡Resigned July 22, 1854.
||Elected July 22, 1854.

CITY ENGINEERS.

1853—Eli McKee, to
1854—A. B. Miller, to
1857—Ezra Miller,* to
1857—J. T. Dodge,* to
1859—Edward Ruger, to
1861—Michael Lynch, to
1863—S. D. Locke, to
1866—Robert Patten, to

1867—S. D. Locke,† to
1867—Michael Lynch,|| to
1868—S. D. Locke, to
1869—Richard K. Lee,§ to
1870—Edward Ruger,* to
1889—O. G. Bleedhorn,** to
1898—P. F. Brown,†† to
1900—C. V. Kerch,‡‡ to

*Resigned May 15, 1857. †Elected May 15, 1857. ‡Resigned February 19, 1867.
||Elected March 4, 1867. §Resigned February 12, 1870. ¶Elected February 12, 1871.
**Elected July 1, 1889, and died June 20, 1897. ††Resigned March 19, 1900.
‡‡Elected March 19, 1900.

CITY MARSHALS AND CHIEFS OF POLICE.

1853—W. F. Tompkins,* to
1853—W. H. Howard,† to
1853—Wm. Macdon,‡ to
1854—Chas. Yates, to
1855—Thos. C. Sleeper, to
1857—J. L. D. Eycleshlimer, to
1858—Vacant, to
1867—C. G. Gillette, to
1868—Edmund Hill, to
1869—C. M. Heimstreet, to

1870—A. K. Cutts, to
1871—Vacant, to
1872—N. Crotenberg,|| to
1874—M. H. Keating,§ to
1879—Alex. M. Russell,* to
1880—Edward Smith,** to
1880—John W. Hogan,†† to
1890—Theo. L. Acheson,‡‡ to
1897—John W. Hogan,|| to

*Resigned Sept. 3, 1853. †Elected Sept. 3, 1853, and resigned Sept. 17, 1853.
‡Elected Sept. 17, 1853. ||Appointed Oct. 3, 1872, and office dispensed with May 4, 1874.
§Elected June 10, 1874, and died Feb. 5, 1879. ¶Appointed March 8, 1879, and died May, 1880.
**Elected June 28, 1880, and resigned July 26, 1880. ††Elected Aug. 9, 1880, and resigned Dec. 22, 1890. ‡‡Elected Dec. 22, 1890, and resigned Dec. 28, 1896. ||Elected Jan. 11, 1897.

CHIEFS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

1855—Gilbert Dolson, to
1856—Ira Justin, Jr., to
1861—W. B. Britton,* to
1861—James Hemming,† to
1863—Wm. M. Burt, to
1864—Wm. T. Paul, to
1865—Sylvester Foord, Jr., to
1867—Henry Richards, to
1868—James Clark, to
1869—John R. Hodson,† to
1869—Randall Williams,|| to
1871—R. P. Young, to
1872—James Shearer, to
1873—W. B. Britton,§ to

1874—J. W. St. John,¶ to
1875—John T. Wilcox, to
1876—Peter Gleim, to
1877—H. W. Dewey, to
1878—R. P. Young, to
1879—Wm. Cunningham, to
1880—R. P. Young,** to
1882—John Kelley,†† to
1883—Thos. T. Croft,‡‡ to
1883—James Foster,|| to
1885—John C. Spencer, to
1887—Henry Blunk, to
1892—John C. Spencer, to

*Resigned Sept. 5, 1861. †Confirmed Oct. 3, 1861. ‡Removed from city.
||Elected January 15, 1870. §Resigned June 24, 1874. ¶Elected July 8, 1874.
**Resigned April 22, 1882. ††Elected May 22, 1882. ‡‡Resigned Sept. 8, 1883.
||Elected Sept. 18, 1883.

HEALTH OFFICERS.

1882—Dr. J. B. Whiting, to
1884—Dr. O. P. Robinson, to
1889—Dr. W. H. Palmer, to
1890—Dr. O. P. Robinson, to
1892—Dr. James Gibson, to

1893—Dr. O. P. Robinson, to
1895—Dr. James Gibson, to
1899—Dr. G. W. Fifield, to
1902—Dr. R. W. Edden, to

CITY ASSESSORS.

1853—M. S. Prichard, C. P. King, Orrin Guernsey, Wm. Hughes.
1854—John L. Kimball.
1855—H. O. Wilson.
1876—A. D. Wickham, A. C. Resseguie.
1877—James M. Burgess, A. D. Wickham.
1878—Chas. Sexton, Edward Connell.
1879—Wm. Hodson, Edward Connell.

1856—Charles H. Conrad.
 1857—Hiram Taylor.
 1858—Nathaniel Parker, Charles R. Gibbs, Geo. H. Williston.
 1859—Nathaniel Parker, J. M. Haselton, John W. Allen.
 1860—J. C. Jenkins, Ellery A. Howland.
 1861—S. J. Belton,* Chas. R. Gibbs, J. C. Jenkins.
 1862—Felix Barrere, Chas. R. Gibbs.
 1863—John Nichols, A. E. Burpee.
 1864—John Nichols, G. S. Strasberger.
 1865—G. S. Strasberger, J. C. Fredendall.
 1866—J. C. Fredendall, F. S. Lawrence.
 1867—J. W. Storey, S. L. James.
 1868—S. G. Bailey, J. C. Fredendall.
 1869—J. M. Haselton, J. C. Fredendall.
 1870—George H. Williston, J. H. Balch.
 1871—George H. Williston, J. H. Balch.
 1872—James Church, J. M. Haselton.
 1873—James Church, J. M. Haselton.
 1874—John J. R. Pease, Edward L. Dimock.
 1875—John J. R. Pease, Edward L. Dimock.

*Died. †Elected March 6, 1862.

POLICE JUSTICES AND JUDGES OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT.

1856—Sandford A. Hudson, to
 1858—J. W. D. Parker, to
 1860—H. N. Comstock,* to
 1863—Sandford A. Hudson,† to
 1870—Wm. Smith, to
 1874—L. F. Patten, to

1878—M. S. Pritchard, to
 1880—T. S. Nolan,† to
 1881—L. F. Patten,‡ to
 1887—H. A. Patterson, to
 1893—M. M. Phelps,§ to
 1898—Chas. L. Fifield,¶ to

*Resigned March 31, 1863. †Elected April 9, 1863. ‡Office abolished March 25, 1882.
 §Term commenced last Monday in June, 1881. ¶Died Sept. 25, 1898. ¶Appointed Oct. 4, 1898.

STREET COMMISSIONERS.

1857—Edward Harper, to
 1858—Vacant to
 1860—J. C. Croft, to
 1861—James Church, to
 1864—John O'Brien, Jr., to
 1865—John Cunningham, to
 1866—R. H. Morgan, to

1887—John Brown, to
 1890—Geo. Hanthorn, to
 1892—Chas. Horn, to
 1893—Geo. Hanthorn, to
 1895—J. H. Watson, to
 1897—Geo. H. Palmer, to
 1899—Nicholas Fredericks, to

ASSISTANT STREET COMMISSIONER.

1901—Wm. Ross, to

SEALERS.

1864—Wm. Macloon, to
 1865—Elihu H. Strong, to
 1866—N. Griswold, to
 1867—Wm. Macloon, to
 1869—James Church, to
 1870—G. K. Colling, to
 1871—Herman Knoff, to
 1874—Oscar Brooks, to
 1875—John Lawler, to
 1876—Herman Knoff, to

1877—Edgar Richardson, to
 1880—Alex. Denning, to
 1883—Geo. H. Davey, to
 1884—Edgar Richardson, to
 1887—Levi Canniff, to
 1889—Edgar Richardson, to
 1891—Ferdinand Quinn, to
 1895—D. T. Kenyon, to
 1897—Geo. H. Davey, to

FIRST WARD ALDERMEN.

1853—B. F. Pixley, E. L. Roberts, W. P. Burroughs.
 1854—B. F. Pixley, Jas. H. Ogilvie, R. B. Treat.

1877—David Davies, F. S. Lawrence.
 1878—F. S. Lawrence, David Davies.
 1879—David Davies, Thos. T. Croft.

1855—James H. Ogilvie, David Noggle, John L. Kimball.
 1856—David Noggle,* J. A. Sleeper, R. B. Treat, John W. Hobson.
 1857—J. A. Sleeper, S. J. Belton, F. A. Kimball.
 1858—M. S. Pritchard, Volney Atwood.
 1859—M. S. Pritchard, S. J. Belton.
 1860—S. J. Belton, Wm. M. Tallman.
 1861—Wm. M. Tallman, Nathaniel Parker.
 1862—Nathaniel Parker,† D. H. McChesney, John Winans.
 1863—D. H. McChesney, Wm. B. Strong.
 1864—Wm. B. Strong,§ A. A. Jackson, Alex. Graham.
 1865—A. A. Jackson, Alexander Graham.
 1866—Alexander Graham, C. T. Webber.
 1867—C. T. Webber, S. G. Williams.
 1868—S. G. Williams, Alexander Graham.
 1869—Alexander Graham, N. O. Clark.
 1870—N. O. Clark, J. C. Metcalf.
 1871—J. C. Metcalf, E. G. Fifield.
 1872—E. G. Fifield, J. C. Metcalf.
 1873—J. C. Metcalf, Magnus Hansen.
 1874—Magnus Hansen, David Davies.
 1875—David Davies, W. B. Britton.
 1876—W. B. Britton, David Davies.

1880—Thos. T. Croft, E. D. Murdock.
 1881—E. D. Murdock, C. A. Potter.
 1882—C. A. Potter, E. D. Murdock.
 1883—E. D. Murdock,* C. A. Potter, James Shearer.
 1884—C. A. Potter, James Shearer.
 1885—James Shearer, Thos. T. Croft.
 1886—Thos. T. Croft, Chas. H. Carpenter.
 1887—Chas. H. Carpenter, D. P. Smith.
 1888—D. P. Smith, J. P. Baker.
 1889—J. P. Baker, O. D. Rowe.
 1890—O. D. Rowe, Stengrin Trulson.
 1891—Stengrin Trulson, David Conger.
 1892—David Conger, H. G. Arnold.
 1893—H. G. Arnold, F. S. Baines.
 1894—F. S. Baines, S. B. Heddles.
 1895—S. B. Heddles, H. C. Stearns.
 1896—H. C. Stearns, S. B. Heddles.
 1897—S. B. Heddles,† W. S. Rice, F. E. Fifield.
 1898—W. S. Rice, F. E. Fifield.
 1899—F. E. Fifield, W. S. Rice.
 1900—W. S. Rice, F. E. Fifield.
 1901—F. E. Fifield, W. S. Rice.
 1902—W. S. Rice, E. W. Lowell.

*Vacancy by removal from ward. †Elected April 17, 1856. ‡Resigned March 27, 1862.
 §Elected April 11, 1862. ¶Resigned March 19, 1864. ¶Elected April 9, 1864.
 **Died October —, 1883. ††Elected November 5, 1883. ††Resigned March 24, 1897.
 ††Elected to fill vacancy at charter election.

SECOND WARD ALDERMEN.

1853—John J. R. Pease, Timothy Jackman, George Barnes.
 1854—John J. R. Pease, Timothy Jackman, Edward L. Dimock.
 1855—Timothy Jackman, James B. Crosby, S. C. Burnham.
 1856—James B. Crosby,* A. C. Bates, C. W. Dorr.
 1857—A. C. Bates, A. Newhoff, Sol. Hutson.
 1858—A. C. Bates, A. M. Pratt.
 1859—A. C. Bates, John J. R. Pease.
 1860—John J. R. Pease, A. C. Bates.
 1861—A. C. Bates, George Barnes.
 1862—George Barnes, A. C. Bates.
 1863—A. C. Bates, S. C. Burnham.
 1864—S. C. Burnham, A. C. Bates.
 1865—A. C. Bates, Hiram Jackman.
 1866—Hiram Jackman, A. C. Bates.
 1867—A. C. Bates, Robert Hodge.
 1868—Robert Hodge, Anson Rogers.
 1869—Anson Rogers, S. C. Burnham.
 1870—S. C. Burnham, Anson Rogers.
 1871—Anson Rogers,† John J. R. Pease, A. C. Bates.
 1872—John J. R. Pease, C. L. Martin.
 1873—C. L. Martin, Chas. W. Stark.
 1874—Chas. W. Stark, Anson Rogers.
 1875—Anson Rogers, A. C. Bates.

1876—A. C. Bates, S. S. Judd.
 1877—S. S. Judd, S. Hutchinsin.
 1878—S. Hutchinsin, W. T. Vankirk.
 1879—W. T. Vankirk, Wm. Cox.
 1880—Wm. Cox, O. F. Nowlan.
 1881—O. F. Nowlan, Wm. Cox.
 1882—Wm. Cox, O. F. Nowlan.
 1883—O. F. Nowlan,† S. B. Kenyon, Herman Buchholz.
 1884—S. B. Kenyon, S. C. Burnham.
 1885—S. C. Burnham, W. H. Judd.
 1886—W. H. Judd, John Thoroughgood.
 1887—John Thoroughgood, W. H. Judd.
 1888—W. H. Judd, Geo. Hanthorn.
 1889—Geo. Hanthorn, John Thoroughgood.
 1890—John Thoroughgood, W. T. Vankirk.
 1891—W. T. Vankirk, C. D. Child.
 1892—C. D. Child, C. H. Kueck.
 1893—C. H. Kueck, C. D. Child.
 1894—C. D. Child, Orion Sutherland.
 1895—Orion Sutherland, S. C. Burnham.
 1896—S. C. Burnham, W. B. Stoddard.
 1897—W. B. Stoddard, S. C. Burnham.
 1898—S. C. Burnham, J. W. Peters.
 1899—J. W. Peters, J. F. Hutchinsin.
 1900—J. F. Hutchinsin, C. L. Valentine.
 1901—C. L. Valentine, J. F. Hutchinsin.
 1902—J. F. Hutchinsin, James Mills.

*Vacancy by removal from ward. †Elected April 17, 1856. ‡Resigned April 17, 1871.
 Elected May 16, 1871. †Resigned March 12, 1883. ¶Elected at charter election.

THIRD WARD ALDERMEN.

- 1853—Ellery A. Howland, B. B. Eldredge, Chas. J. Conrad.
 1854—Ellery A. Howland, Lewis E. Stone, Henry O. Clark.
 1855—Lewis E. Stone, Ellery A. Howland, Levi St. John.
 1856—Ellery A. Howland, B. B. Eldredge, Lyman Smith.
 1857—B. B. Eldredge, Lyman Smith, Chas. H. Conrad.
 1858—I. C. Sloan, Lewis E. Stone,* Chas. H. Conrad,†
 1859—I. C. Sloan,† J. P. Dickson, J. C. Fredendall,§
 1860—J. P. Dickson, Lyman Smith.
 1861—Lyman Smith, H. W. Collins.
 1862—H. W. Collins, L. F. Patten.
 1863—L. F. Patten, J. C. Fredendall.
 1864—J. C. Fredendall, H. L. Smith.
 1865—H. L. Smith, Chas. H. Conrad.
 1866—Chas. H. Conrad, S. Holdredge, Jr.
 1867—S. Holdredge, Jr., Chas. H. Conrad,|| J. E. Skinner,*
 1868—J. E. Skinner, Ira Miltimore.
 1869—Ira Miltimore, Orrin Guernsey.
 1870—Orrin Guernsey, Ira Miltimore.
 1871—Ira Miltimore,** B. B. Eldredge, D. E. Fifield,††
 1872—B. B. Eldredge, D. E. Fifield.
 1873—D. E. Fifield, J. B. Moon.

*Resigned September 6, 1858. †Elected September 20, 1858. ‡Resigned March 18, 1859.
 §Elected April 9, 1859. ||Resigned July 6, 1867. ¶Elected July 19, 1867.
 **Resigned July 26, 1871. ††Elected August 21, 1871. ‡‡Resigned April 5, 1882.
 §§Elected April 17, 1882.

FOURTH WARD ALDERMEN.

- 1853—George H. Williston, George W. Taylor, John Carlin.
 1854—George H. Williston, Ira Miltimore, William P. Cobb.
 1855—Ira Miltimore, John H. Vermilye, F. S. Lawrence,* Sylvester Ford, Jr.,†
 1856—John H. Vermilye, William Hume, Thos. Thornton.
 1857—William Hume, John H. Vermilye, Daniel Clow.
 1858—P. H. Grant, H. S. Shelton.
 1859—P. H. Grant,† H. S. Shelton, John H. Vermilye,§
 1860—H. S. Shelton, Prosper A. Pierce.
 1861—Prosper A. Pierce, H. S. Shelton.
 1862—H. S. Shelton, H. E. Pattison.
 1863—H. E. Pattison, H. S. Shelton.
 1864—H. S. Shelton, Alfred McDougall.
 1865—Alfred McDougall, F. S. Eldred.
 1866—F. S. Eldred, H. S. Shelton.
 1867—H. S. Shelton, Joseph James.
 1868—Joseph James, Samuel Rolston.
 1869—Samuel Rolston, Joseph James.
 1870—Joseph James, J. A. Blount.
 1871—J. A. Blount, O. P. Robinson.
 1872—O. P. Robinson, Wm. Casar.
 1873—Wm. Casar, O. P. Robinson.

- 1874—J. B. Moon, James Church.
 1875—James Church, J. M. Bostwick.
 1876—J. M. Bostwick, James Church.
 1877—James Church, Henry D. McKinney.
 1878—Henry D. McKinney, James Church.
 1879—James Church, George Barnes.
 1880—George Barnes, C. B. Conrad.
 1881—C. B. Conrad, G. W. Hawes.
 1882—G. W. Hawes,‡‡ D. E. Fifield, Richard Valentine,§§
 1883—D. E. Fifield, M. C. Smith.
 1884—M. C. Smith, R. J. Rooney.
 1885—R. J. Rooney, Jas. A. Fathers.
 1886—Jas. A. Fathers, R. J. Rooney.
 1887—R. J. Rooney, Jas. A. Fathers.
 1888—Jas. A. Fathers, C. B. Conrad.
 1889—C. B. Conrad, C. S. Jackman.
 1890—C. S. Jackman, Geo. M. McKey.
 1891—Geo. M. McKey, I. C. Brownell.
 1892—I. C. Brownell, Geo. L. Carrington.
 1893—Geo. L. Carrington, Allen E. Rich.
 1894—Allen E. Rich, F. S. Winslow.
 1895—F. S. Winslow, E. Ray Inman.
 1896—E. Ray Inman, Geo. M. McKey.
 1897—Geo. M. McKey, H. S. Gilkey.
 1898—H. S. Gilkey, Edwin F. Carpenter.
 1899—Edwin F. Carpenter, H. S. Gilkey.
 1900—H. S. Gilkey, W. H. Judd.
 1901—W. H. Judd, H. S. Gilkey.
 1902—H. S. Gilkey, W. H. Judd.

*Resigned September 20, 1858. †Resigned March 18, 1859.
 ‡Elected July 19, 1867. §Elected July 19, 1867.
 ††Resigned April 5, 1882. ‡‡Resigned April 5, 1882.

1874—O. P. Robinson, J. A. Blount.
 1875—J. A. Blount, O. P. Robinson.

*Vacancy by removal from ward. †Elected January 15, 1856. ‡Resigned March 22, 1859.
 §Elected April 9, 1859, to fill vacancy. ||Resigned February 25, 1895.
 ¶Elected to fill vacancy at charter election.

THE OLD FIFTH WARD.

1857—Ira Miltimore, Thos. Thornton, Wm. Hughes.

FIFTH WARD ALDERMEN.

- 1871—L. F. Smith, Erastus Lewis.
 1872—Erastus Lewis, Wm. Knoff.
 1873—Wm. Knoff, George C. McLean.
 1874—George C. McLean, J. B. Fitzgibbons.
 1875—J. B. Fitzgibbons, Wm. Hemming.
 1876—Wm. Hemming, J. B. Fitzgibbons.
 1877—J. B. Fitzgibbons, Wm. Hemming.
 1878—Wm. Hemming, J. B. Fitzgibbons.
 1879—J. B. Fitzgibbons, J. H. Burns.
 1880—J. H. Burns, Wm. Hemming.
 1881—Wm. Hemming, J. B. Fitzgibbons.
 1882—J. B. Fitzgibbons, B. J. Daley.
 1883—B. J. Daley, J. B. McLean.
 1884—J. B. McLean, B. J. Daley.
 1885—B. J. Daley, J. B. McLean.
 1886—J. B. McLean, J. H. Burns.
 1887—J. H. Burns, J. B. McLean.

- 1888—J. B. McLean, J. H. Burns.
 1889—J. H. Burns, J. B. McLean.
 1890—J. B. McLean, Daniel Ryan.
 1891—Daniel Ryan,* J. B. McLean, James Sennett,†
 1892—J. B. McLean, Edward Smith.
 1893—Edward Smith, J. B. McLean.
 1894—J. B. McLean, Edward Smith.
 1895—Edward Smith, J. B. McLean.
 1896—J. B. McLean, Wm. H. Jones.
 1897—Wm. H. Jones, J. B. McLean.
 1898—J. B. McLean, James Sennett.
 1899—James Sennett, J. B. McLean.
 1900—J. B. McLean, James Sennett.
 1901—James Sennett,† J. B. McLean, W. A. Murray,§
 1902—J. B. McLean, Wm. A. Murray.

*Resigned March 9, 1891. †Elected to fill vacancy at charter election.
 ‡Office vacant by removal from ward. §Elected February 1, 1901.

THE OLD SIXTH WARD ALDERMEN.

Being the northerly portion of the Second Ward and the northerly portion of the Third ward.
 1857—A. W. Bunster, Jacob Robbins, Stephen Martin.

JANESVILLE POSTMASTERS.

- 1837—Henry F. Janes, resigned in
 1838—J. L. Kimball, resigned in
 1849—C. S. Jordan, who, in June, same year,
 was succeeded by
 1849—Samuel H. Alden, to
 1853—E. H. Strong, to
 1856—D. C. Brown, retiring a few months later,
 when
 1856—Ezra Miller, to
 1860—J. M. Burgess, to

- 1865—William Ruger, appointed but not confirmed, holding six months.
 1865—Thos. J. Ruger, to
 1871—Hiram Bowen, to
 1875—H. A. Patterson, to
 1883—Hamilton Richardson, to
 1887—Clarence L. Clark, to
 1889—C. E. Bowles, to
 1893—A. O. Wilson, to
 1898—O. F. Nowlan, to

Miss M. Louise Peterson, who has been deputy postmaster since 1876, began her career in the postoffice in 1869, when she entered the office as a general delivery clerk in the old building between the Hayes block and the Carpenter block. Postmaster Patterson appointed her his assistant when J. D. King resigned that position to accept the appointment of postoffice inspector.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

After assuming statehood in 1848, all county officers were elected for a period of two years—the election being held on Tuesday succeeding the first Monday in November—the term commencing on the first Monday in January following. The following persons have held the several offices for the terms to which their names are attached.

SHERIFFS.

1839—L. G. Fisher, to
1846—Volney Atwood, to
1847—H. W. Cator, to
1849—Robert C. Cowan, to
1851—Hiram W. Cator, to
1853—William H. Howard, to
1855—Alfred Hoskins, to
1857—Gilbert Dolson, to
1859—R. T. Lawton, to
1861—S. J. M. Putnam, to
1863—R. T. Pember, to
1865—Thomas Earle,* to
1866—A. O. Winchester† to
1867—S. J. M. Putnam, to
1869—Daniel Johnson, to
1871—R. T. Pember, to

*Resigned in 1866.

†Filled vacancy.

REGISTERS OF DEEDS.

1840—W. H. H. Bailey, to
1842—Geo. H. Williston, to
1847—Royal Wood, to
1849—C. C. Townsend, to
1851—J. A. Kent, to
1853—Samuel A. Martin, to
1855—Charles R. Gibbs, to
1857—Charles Holt, to

1859—David L. Mills, to
1861—K. W. Bemis, to
1863—C. C. Keeler, to
1869—Charles W. Stark, to
1873—C. E. Bowles, to
1875—C. L. Valentine, to
1895—O. D. Rowe, to

COUNTY CLERKS.

1840—W. H. H. Bailey, to
1842—Geo. H. Williston, to
1847—Frank Wheeler, to
1849—H. O. Wilson, to
1851—C. P. King, to
1855—J. L. V. Thomas, to
1859—S. L. Janes, to

1867—H. E. Warner, to
1869—E. L. Carpenter, to
1877—Sylvester Morgan, to
1885—W. F. Williams, to
1891—T. T. Croft, to
1893—W. J. McIntyre, to
1899—F. P. Starr, to

COUNTY TREASURERS.

1849—I. C. Cheney, to
1844—L. E. Stone, to
1845—O. B. Lapham, to
1846—Isaac Noyes, to
1847—W. A. Lawrence, to
1851—F. A. Humphrey, to
1853—Robert F. Frazier, to
1855—Moses T. Walker, to
1857—E. C. Smith, to
1859—James M. Burgess, to

1861—S. Holdredge, Jr, to
1867—Cyrus Bliss, to
1871—B. F. Carey, to
1877—Willis Miles, to
1889—A. D. Burdick, to
1895—C. N. Nye, who died. Henry Tarrant, appointed June 13, '96, to
1897—A. C. Thorpe, to
1901—Miles Rice, to

CLERKS OF THE CIRCUIT COURT.

1839—Guy Stoughton, to
1840—D. F. Kimball, to
1846—C. R. Hallenbeck, to
1847—John Nichols, to
1851—George W. Crabb, to
1853—E. P. King, to
1857—A. C. Resseguie, to

1859—Levi Alden, to
1867—George R. Peck, to
1869—A. W. Baldwin, died in office May 29, 1885, when on June 6,
1885—W. G. Wheeler was appointed.
1887—E. D. McGowan, to
1895—T. W. Goldin, to

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS.

1845—Isaac Woodle to
1847—John M. Keep, to
1849—Hiram Taylor, to
1851—D. M. H. Carpenter, to
1853—Wm. S. Rockwell, to
1855—Geo. B. Ely—the office was contested and after holding the office one year the supreme court gave it to
1856—M. H. Carpenter, to

1857—W. D. Parker, to
1859—I. C. Sloan, to
1864—John R. Bennett, to
1867—H. A. Patterson, to
1871—Pliny Norcross, to
1875—John W. Sale, to
1885—B. M. Malone, to
1891—W. G. Wheeler, to
1895—W. A. Jackson, to

COUNTY SURVEYORS.

1848—Abram Allen, to
1853—Peter McVean, to
1855—Joseph Church, to
1859—Edward Ruger, to
1861—S. D. Locke, to

1869—Edward Ruger, to
1891—O. G. Bleedhorn, to
1899—P. F. Brown, to
1901—C. V. Kerch, to

CORONERS.

1848—John M. Evans, to
1849—Joseph S. Lane, to
1851—Gee. W. Bunce, to
1853—Calvin Chapin, to
1855—G. W. Stetson, to
1857—C. Loftus Martin, to
1859—J. G. Alden, to
1861—John E. Young, to
1863—C. Loftus Martin, to
1865—S. C. Burnham, to
1867—John E. Young, to
1869—J. M. Evans, to
1871—John E. Young, to

1873—C. M. Smith, to
1875—William Taylor, to
1881—Patrick Hayes, to
1883—R. L. Colvin, to
1885—W. H. H. Macloon, to
1887—E. E. Loomes, to
1889—Geo. Hanthorn, to
1891—Frank N. Webster, to
1893—Geo. Hanthorn, to
1895—Richard O'Donnell, to
1897—Max Pfennig, to
1901—J. R. Booth, to

THE POPULATION OF JANESVILLE.

The First Census was Taken by the Late Orrin Guernsey in
1842.

1842—215.
1843—333.
1845—847.
1847—1,453.
1849—1,812.
1850—3,100.

1853—(City) 4,800.
1855—(State Census) 7,118.
1860—(U. S.) 7,703.
1865—(State) 7,627.
1870—(U. S.) 8,789.
1875—(State) 10,115.

1880—(U. S.) 9,018.
1885—(State) 9,941.
1890—(U. S.) 10,836.
1895—(State) 12,971.
1900—(U. S.) 13,185.

TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT.

First Session of the Territorial Legislature, convened at Belmont, Iowa county, October 25, 1836.

1836—Rock County not represented.

SECOND SESSION.

Second session convened at Burlington, Des Moines county, November 6, 1837-8.

1837—Rock county not represented.

SPECIAL SESSION OF FIRST LEGISLATURE.

Convened at Burlington, Des Moines county, June 11, 1838.

1838—Rock county not represented.

SECOND LEGISLATURE.

Convened at Madison November 26, 1838.

1838—James Maxwell represented Rock and Walworth in the Council, and Edward V. Whiton was the representative from Rock in the lower house.

THIRD SESSION.

Convened at Madison (as did all subsequent sessions) December 2, 1839.

1839—James Maxwell, Rock and Walworth in the Council. Edward V. Whiton Representative from Rock and Speaker of the lower house.

THIRD LEGISLATURE.

1840-41—James Maxwell represented Rock and Walworth in the council, and was President; John Hackett, Jesse C. Mills, Edward V. Whiton, James Tripp represented Rock and Walworth in the lower house.

FOURTH LEGISLATURE.

1842-43—Edward V. Whiton represented Rock in the Council; John Hopkins, James Tripp, John M. Capron, Wm. A. Bartlett represented Rock and Walworth in the lower house.

In the Third Session of the Fourth Legislature, in January, 1845, Rock and Walworth were represented in the lower house by Stephen Field, Jesse C. Mills, Salmon Thomas, Jesse Moore.

In the Fourth Session of the Fourth Legislature, convened January 5, 1846, Ira Jones represented Rock County in the lower house.

FIFTH LEGISLATURE.

1847—Council—Andrew Palmer.

1847—Representatives—Jared G. Winslow, James M. Burgess.

At a special session of the Fifth Legislature, October 27, 1847, Daniel C. Babcock and George H. Williston represented Rock county in the lower house.

FIRST CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Convened at Madison October 5, 1846, Rock county being represented by A. Hyatt-Smith, David Noggle, Sanford P. Hammond, James Chamberlain, Joseph Kinney, Jr., Israel Inman, Jr.

The Constitution framed by this convention was rejected by a vote of the people on the first Tuesday in April, 1847.

SECOND CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Convened at Madison on the 15th day of December, 1847. The constitution framed by this convention was submitted to a vote of the people on the second Monday in March, 1848, and was adopted. Rock county was represented by

1847-48—Almerin M. Carter, Ezra A. Foot, Edward V. Whiton, Paul Crandall, Louis P. Harvey.

STATE OFFICERS FROM ROCK COUNTY.

GOVERNORS.

Louis P. Harvey, from January 6, 1862, to April 19, 1862...Drowned in the Tennessee river April 19, 1862, while looking after the Wisconsin soldiers.

SECRETARIES OF STATE.

Alex. T. Gray, from January 2, 1854, to January 7, 1856.

Louis P. Harvey, from January 2, 1860, to January 6, 1862.

STATE SUPERINTENDENTS.

Edward Searing, from January 4, 1874, to January 7, 1878.

William C. Whitford, from January 7, 1878, to January 2, 1882.

STATE COMMISSIONERS OF IMMIGRATION.

Ole C. Johnson, from April 3, 1871, to January 5, 1874.

INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS.

The Secretary of State was Insurance Commissioner until the office was created by the Legislature in 1878.

SPEAKERS OF THE ASSEMBLY.

1868—Alexander M. Thomson.

1869—Alexander M. Thomson.

1877—John B. Cassoday.

CHIEF CLERKS OF THE SENATE.

1858—John L. V. Thomas.

1859—Hiram Bowen.

CHIEF CLERKS OF THE ASSEMBLY.

1850—Alex. T. Gray.

1852—Alex. T. Gray.

1851—Alex. T. Gray.

1856—James Armstrong.

SERGEANTS-AT-ARMS OF THE SENATE.

1856—Joseph Baker.

1880—Chalmers Ingersoll.

1879—Chalmers Ingersoll.

SERGEANTS-AT-ARMS OF THE ASSEMBLY.

1864—A. M. Thomson.

1865—A. M. Thomson.

REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS.

1863-64-65-67—Ithamar C. Sloan.

1883 to 1885—John Winans.

1877 to 1883—Charles G. Williams.

1891 to 1893—Clinton Babbitt.

JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT.

The Supreme Court was not separately organized until 1853, previous to which the Judges of the Circuit Courts were ex-officio Justices of the Supreme Court.

Edward V. Whiton, 1st Circuit, Associate Justice from August 28, 1848, to June 1, 1851.

SEPARATE ORGANIZATION.

Edward V. Whiton, Chief Justice from June 1, 1853, to April 12, 1859.

John B. Cassoday, Associate Justice from November 11, 1880, to January, 1892.

John B. Cassoday, Chief Justice from January, 1892, to

JUDGES OF THE ROCK COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT.

1848—Edward V. Whiton, to

1865—Wm P. Lyon, to

1851—Wyman Spooner, to

1871—H. S. Conger, to

1853—James R. Doolittle, to

1882—John R. Bennett, to

1857—J. M. Keep, to

1899—B. F. Dunwiddle.

1859—David Noggle, to

PROBATE OR COUNTY JUDGES.

1839—Horace White, to

1847—D. I. Daniels, to

1841—Israel C. Cheney, to

1849—James Armstrong, to

1843—A. C. Bailey, to

1853—Moses S. Prichard, to

1845—W. F. Tompkins, to

1857—Amos P. Prichard, to

1846—C. S. Jordan, to

1886—John W. Sale, to

STATE FAIRS HELD IN JANESVILLE.

1851 October 1 and 2 The first State Fair held in Wisconsin, the net receipts amounting to \$254.00.

1857 September 28 to October 2 Gross receipts, \$8,804.63.

1864 Last week in September Gross receipts, \$7,759.19.

1865 September General W. T. Sherman, ex-Governor A. W. Randall, Senators James R. Doolittle, T. O. Howe and ex-Governor J. T. Lewis being the speakers and drawing cards. Gross receipts, \$11,404.90.

1866 September Gross receipts, \$15,000.00.

1877 September Gross receipts, \$20,524.30.

MEMBERS OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE FROM JANESVILLE.

State Senators were elected for two years until 1883, when the Constitution was amended authorizing biennial sessions of the Legislature. Since that time the term of Senators has been four years.

SENATORS.

1848-'49-'50—Otis W. Norton.
1851-'52—Andrew Palmer.
1853-'54—Ezra Miller.
1855-'56-'57-'58—James Sutherland.
1859-'60—Zebulon P. Burdick.

1863-'64-'65-'66—Wm. A. Lawrence.
1869-'70-'71-'72—C. G. Williams.
1877-'78-'79-'80-'81-'82—Hamilton Richardson.
1887-'88-'89-'90-'91-'92-'93-'94—A. P. Lovejoy.
1897-'98-'99-'00-'01-'02-'03-'04—John M. Whitehead.

ASSEMBLYMEN.

Members of the Assembly were elected for a term of one year until 1893, when the Constitution was amended authorizing biennial sessions. Since that time the term of Assemblymen has been two years.

1848—G. F. A. Atherton.
1849—Anson W. Pope.
1850-'51—Wm. F. Tompkins.
1852—Wm. A. Lawrence.
1853—Charles Stevens.
1854-'57—David Noggle.
1855—George H. Williston.
1856—Levi Alden.
1858—James H. Knowlton.
1859-'60—John P. Dickson.
1861-'70-'72—Alexander Graham.
1862-'63-'66—Allen C. Bates.
1864—Hamilton Richardson.
1865-'77—John B. Cassoday.

1867-'85-'86—Pliny Norcross.
1868-'69—Alexander M. Thompson.
1871—Willard Merrill.
1873—Henry A. Patterson.
1874-'82-'87-'88-'91-'92—John Winans.
1875—Hiram Merrill.
1876—Jere A. Blount.
1878-'95-'96—Fenner Kimball.
1879—Allen P. Lovejoy.
1880-'81—Franklin S. Lawrence.
1883-'84—Wm. B. Britton.
1889-'90—Cyrus Miner.
1893-'94—Agesilus O. Wilson.
1897-'98-'99-'00—Wm. G. Wheeler.

1901-'02—Charles L. Valentine.

FRATERNAL, BENEVOLENT AND LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.

THE MASONIC ORDER.

WESTERN STAR LODGE No. 14, F. & A. M.; Chartered January 15, 1848, with Franklin Whitaker as W. M.
JANESVILLE LODGE No. 55, F. & A. M.; Chartered June 10, 1855, with Wm. Murdock as W. M.
JANESVILLE CHAPTER No. 5, R. A. M.; Chartered December 9, 1850, with Stephen Martin as M. E. H. P.
GEBEL COUNCIL No. 2, R. and S. M.; Chartered October 20, 1857, with Wm. Murdock as T. I. G. M.
JANESVILLE COMMANDERY No. 2, K. T.; Chartered September 11, 1856, with Erastus Lewis as E. C. Theo. W. Goldin R. E. G. C. in 1898.
JANESVILLE CHAPTER No. 69, O. E. S.; Chartered February 19, 1896, with Mary F. Sherwood as W. M.

THE FRATERNITY OF ODD FELLOWS.

WISCONSIN LODGE No. 14; Chartered February 11, 1847, with W. W. Holden as N. G.
JANESVILLE CITY LODGE No. 90; Chartered July 10, 1856, with S. H. Marquissee as N. G.
ROCK RIVER ENCAMPMENT No. 3; Chartered March 9, 1849.
AMERICA LODGE No. 26, D. of R.; Chartered Dec. 5, 1872.
JANESVILLE LODGE No. 171, D. of R.; Chartered March 21, 1898.
CANTON JANESVILLE No. 9, P. M.; Chartered August 16, 1899.

MISCELLANEOUS FRATERNAL AND BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES.

ORIENTAL LODGE No. 22, K. of P.; Instituted March 23, 1878, with A. W. Baldwin as C. C., and A. E. Morse as K. of R. & S.

JANESVILLE LODGE No. 254, B. P. O. E.; Instituted February 14, 1893, with Ogden H. Fethers as Ex. Ruler, and B. H. Baldwin as Secretary.

THE ROCK COUNTY CALEDONIAN SOCIETY; Organized Feb. 13, 1886; incorporated June 6, 1889.
JANESVILLE CONCORDIA SOCIETY; Organized March 27, 1868, with G. C. Fritz as President.

BOWER CITY VEREINER LODGE No. 31 of the Germania Aid and Benevolent Society of Milwaukee; Organized November 7, 1895, with C. E. Herrmann as President.

W. H. SARGENT POST No. 20, G. A. R.; Organized October 21, 1881, with S. C. Cobb as Com. and H. A. Smith as Adjutant. The present officers are: J. L. Bear, Com.; J. G. Wray, Adjutant.

FLORENCE CAMP No. 366, MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA; Organized September 1, 1887, with H. G. Arnold as V. C., and W. H. Ashcraft as Clerk. The present officers are: Frank P. Starr, V. C.; S. M. Fisher, Clerk.

BADGER COUNCIL No. 223, ROYAL ARCANUM; Organized 1879, Geo. Harrington, Regent; Geo. Airls, Secretary.

CARROLL COUNCIL No. 596, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS; Organized August 4, 1901, Michael Hayes, G. K.; J. J. Cunningham, Deputy; F. S. Wilbur, R. S.

THE FIREMEN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF JANESVILLE; Organized February 23, 1902, with John C. Spencer as president, and James P. Gillispie as secretary.

ST. JOSEPH'S COURT, CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS; Organized September 10, 1891, C. R., Peter Neuses; V. C. R., Thomas J. Birmingham; R. S., J. S. Doran.

DIVISION No. 1, ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS; Organized May 4, 1884.

ST. PATRICK'S BRANCH No. 60, CATHOLIC KNIGHTS; Organized October 6, 1887, Chas. Viney, President; P. Kavanaugh, Secretary.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION; Organized May 22, 1867; A. A. Jackson, president.

ST. PATRICK'S T. A. & B. SOCIETY; Organized 1872, Joseph Denning, Pres.; James Gillispie, Sec.

JANESVILLE LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.

TRADES COUNCIL; Organized October 1, 1894. W. H. Phelps, President; Wm. G. Smith, Secy.

CIGARMAKERS' UNION No. 290; Organized May 15, 1887. P. J. McKeigue, President; W. H. Phelps, Secretary.

PAINTERS', PAPER HANGERS' AND DECORATORS' UNION, No. 177; Organized August 31, 1899. J. J. Cassidy, President; Harry Haycock, Secretary.

LEATHER WORKERS' UNION, No. 39; Organized Oct. 30, 1899. S. C. Baker, President; Simon Doran, Secretary.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION, No. 197; Organized June 12, 1896. S. A. Cooper, President; Roy N. Brown, Secretary.

JOURNEYMEN BARBERS' UNION; Organized June 13, 1893. W. P. Mason, President; E. P. Drake, Secretary.

WOODWORKERS' UNION; Organized Oct. 17, 1901. C. W. Forrest, Pres; Archie Griswold, Sec.

WOMEN'S UNION LABEL LEAGUE; Organized Jan. 16, 1902. Mrs. P. J. McKeigue, President; Mrs. Gus. Baker, Secretary.

CARPENTERS' UNION; Organized May 31, 1901. A. C. Hager, President; John Boos, Secretary.

FEDERAL LABOR UNION; Organized July 2, 1896. Joseph Delaney, President; W. Barriage, Secretary.

STONE CUTTERS' ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA; Organized Oct. 15, 1901. John Corcoran, President; S. H. Parley, Secretary.

SHOEMAKERS' UNION; Organized Sept. 20, 1901. H. M. Joyce, Pres.; M. V. Loudon, Sec.

PLUMBERS' UNION; Organized Sept. 7, 1901. John Allen, President; Fred Smith, Secretary.

MACHINISTS' UNION; Organized June 11, 1902. Chas. I. Young, Pres.; B. F. Nelson, Sec.

AMALGAMATED SHEET METAL WORKERS; Organized March 11, 1902. H. Hathorn, president; C. B. Klenow, Secretary.

TEAMSTERS' UNION; Organized March 25, 1902. Geo. H. Palmer, Pres.; Peter Dulin, Sec.

BREWERS' UNION; Organized Aug. 7, 1901. Albert Hanke, Pres.; Albert Volbrecht, Sec.

BRICKLAYERS' AND MASONS' UNION; Organized Nov. 7, 1899. C. W. Blay, President; L. E. Williams, Secretary.

JOURNEYMEN TAILORS' UNION; Organized Sept. 2, 1889. M. Manning, President; John Holt, Secretary.

JANESVILLE FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH

The Location of Fire Alarm Boxes. Send All Telephone Alarms to the West Side Fire Station, 'Phone 85.

- 7—Milwaukee Street Bridge.
- 12—Mineral Point Avenue and Washington Street.
- 13—Ravine and Pearl Streets.
- 14—North Franklin and Ravine Streets.
- 15—North Academy and Wall Streets.
- 16—Ravine and North Academy Streets.
- 17—Mineral Point Avenue and Chatham Street.
- 18—West Side Fire Station.
- 19—West Bluff and North Jackson Streets.
- 21—North Main Street and Fourth Avenue.
- 23—Caroline Street and Fourth Avenue.
- 24—North Bluff and East Milwaukee Streets.
- 25—Milton Avenue and Glen Street.
- 26—Glen and South Hickory Streets.
- 27—East Street and Milton Avenue.
- 28—East Side Fire Station.
- 29—Cornelia and Glen Streets.
- 31—South Main and Court Streets.
- 32—South Main and Racine Streets.
- 34—East and South Second Streets.
- 35—Milwaukee Avenue and Sinclair Street.
- 36—Ruger Avenue and Forest Park Boulevard.
- 37—South Bluff and South Third Streets.
- 38—South Main and Sharon Streets.
- 39—Racine and Glen Etta Streets.
- 41—South Franklin and Center Streets.
- 42—Lincoln and Holmes Streets.
- 43—Washington Avenue and South Academy Street.

- 45—School and Locust Streets.
- 46—South Franklin and Union Streets.
- 47—Park Avenue and Galena Street.
- 48—South Jackson and Oak Streets.
- 49—Holmes and South Jackson Streets.
- 51—North Jackson and West Milwaukee Streets.
- 52—Center and Western Avenues.
- 53—Rock River Woolen Mills.
- 54—Center Avenue and North Street.
- 55—Gold and North Streets.
- 56—Pleasant and Pearl Streets.
- 66—Choate-Hollister Furniture Factory.
- 113—North Franklin and West Bluff Streets.
- 121—Highland Avenue and Chatham Street.
- 131—Magnolia Avenue and Washington Street.
- 151—Wall and Washington Streets.
- 161—School for the Blind.
- 222—Milton and St. Mary's Avenues.
- 232—Prairie Avenue and Walker Street.
- 261—North Hickory and Walker Streets.
- 311—Jackman Street and Oakland Avenue.
- 313—Oak, E. and Wheeler Streets.
- 333—McKey Boulevard and Eastern Avenue.
- 414—Chestnut Street and Washington Avenue.
- 421—Pleasant, High and Cherry Streets.
- 444—Armour Street and Eastern Avenue.
- 515—Five Points—Center Avenue, Pleasant, West Milwaukee and Madison Streets.

Two taps (--) of the Fire Bell calls for water pressure of 100 pounds. Two taps (---) repeated calls for 125 pounds water pressure. Three slow (---) taps of the Fire Bell is "fire out." Four-Four (----) taps of the Fire Bell calls all companies not responding to first alarm. "666" (-----) calls all members to their respective stations.

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