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frequented of the glens, in and around Ithaca, is the Ithaca Gorge, which lies about three-fourths of a mile north-east of the centre of the city. By following out Aurora street to the north, we come to a neat little bridge, spanning Fall Creek, from where is caught the first glimpse of the finest cascade of all, the "Ithaca Fall." It is a foaming cataract, 150 feet in height and just as broad, with cliffs towering a hundred feet above on either side, the water circling round a dark eddy at its base, it winds in a tranquil, romantic course through the leafy groves of the plain, murmuringly continuing its journey to the lake. It is the second largest cataract in the State, nearly equaling in height the Niagara Falls, and surpasses in every respect the Trenton Falls and the cascades of the Genesee. It is a tremendous scene, with its immense volume of water pouring over the jagged rocks in a snow-white and flowing veil and is indescribably beautiful. Just beyond the bridge there is a pretty little lodge guarding the entrance to the Gorge, from which a more charming view of the falls can be obtained. Following the walk winding along the almost perpendicular hillside, the ascent of which is at first steep and tortuous, a short

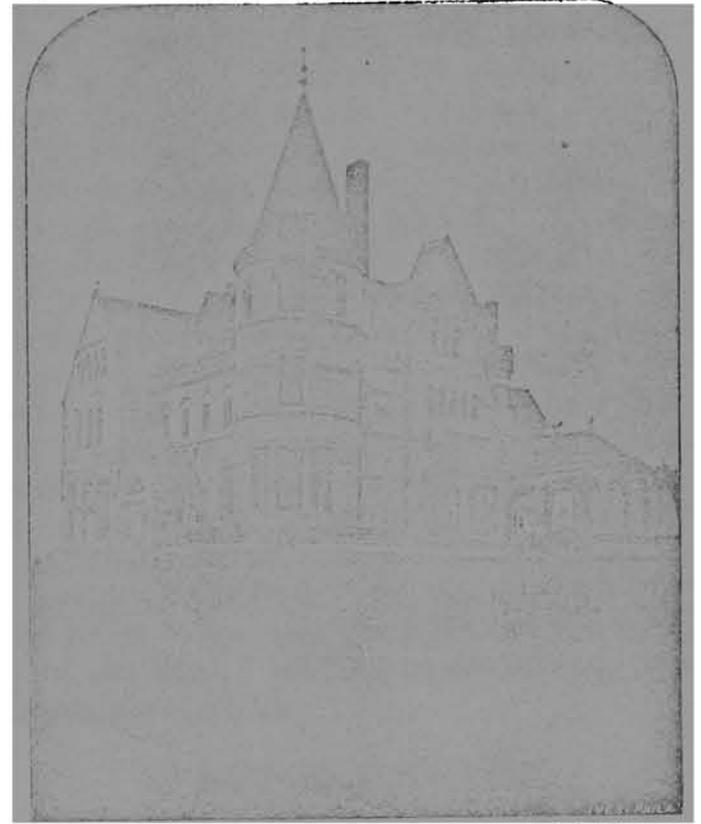
into the basin a hundred and fifty feet below. During the hewing out of these steps, a workman accidentally fell down the precipice to the chasm below, yet without injury, thus, gaining for this place the name of



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turn brings the visitor to a shady and delightful nook, appropriately named, "The Rest," a place to lie and dream the summer day away. This colossal basin is more than two hundred and fifty feet high and is made almost black by the shadows cast from the steeply sloping walls and from the cedars covering the face of the rocky wall across. The grandest feature of the view is the "Ithaca Fall" itself, lying directly in front. No pen can adequately describe its beauties, no painter's brush or photographer's camera picture its charms, but must be seen with the naked eye to be fully appreciated, for it is indisputably the most beautiful of them all. Following the walk winding midway between the pool and summit around the semicircular walls, we come upon another terrace, from which a finer full view is obtained. From this place the path leads us around the amphitheatre, thickly shaded at all times, and through the trees we catch glimpses of the water as it bounds down the ragged wall. Then ascending a rocky staircase of about twenty steps, we reach a plateau on a level with the falls, and are completely fascinated, while gazing down at the water as it takes the awful leap



M'GRAW-FISKE MANSION.

"Johnson's Tumble." While still following this path, and ascending a long stairway cut in the solid rocks, we stand on the brink of a precipice more than three hundred feet higher than the point from which we started, and a few feet further on we have another similar picture to the one we first saw, or "Forest Fall," only it is not so high or wide as the "Ithaca Fall." It is sixty feet, and is appropriately named from the densely wooded sides of the ravine. Passing through a thicket of pines, our path then descends into the bowels of the gorge, and following this along the bed of the stream, the next bright scene is presented by the "Foaming Fall," thirty feet high, the steep banks of which are romantically lined with cedars and hemlocks. Next in turn we find the "Rocky Fall," where the water rushes along in a tumultuous torrent and pours down a distance of fifty-five feet into a third amphitheatre. Over the stream a little above

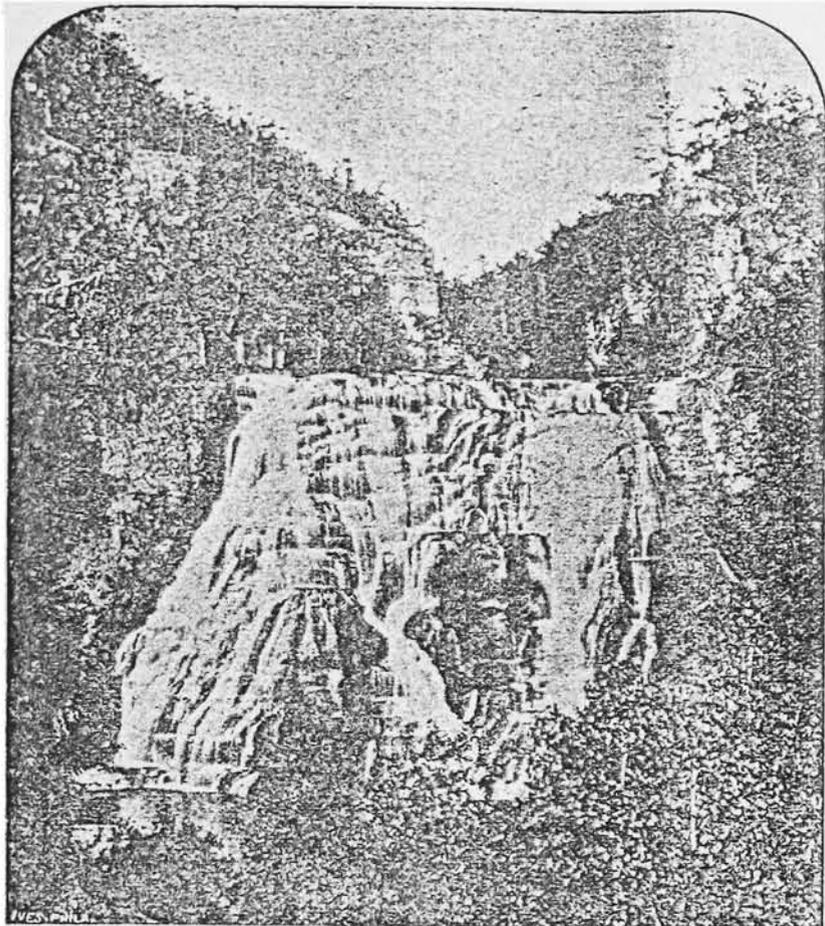


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the fall, a swinging foot-bridge is suspended on wires, from where the creek quietly winds its romantic way under the shade-beetling cliffs and leafy bowers, from which it derives the name of "Sylvan Glen." Near

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ing the end of this glen, we take to the bed of the stream, with a high ledge of rock jutting out in front of us and enter the "coliseum," a perfect amphitheatre of immense proportions and one of the most



ITHACA FALLS.

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important features of the Gorge, and at last we stand gazing in amazement at that truly wonderful cascade, listening to the thundering and roar of "Triphammer Fall" until it becomes deafening. This fall gets its name from the heavy beating, as of a mighty pulse, clearly distinguishable in the midst of the mighty uproar.

TAUGHANNOCK FALLS,

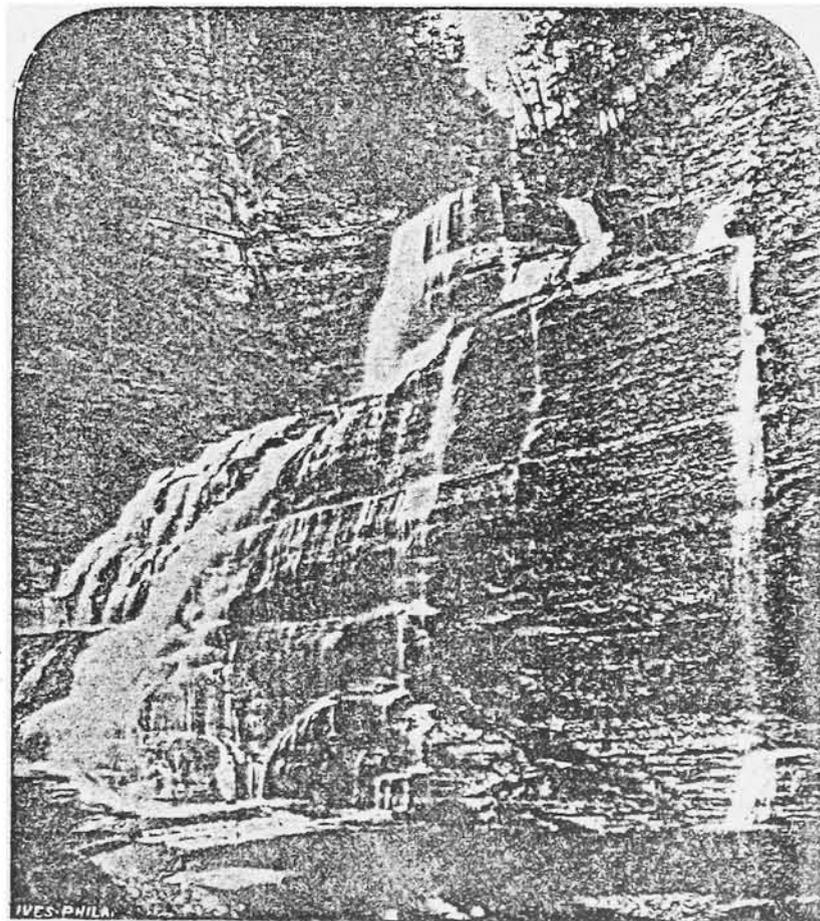
of celebrity throughout Central New York, is upon the west shore of Cayuga Lake, nine miles from the City of Ithaca, the site of Cornell University. This region has long been noted for its magnificent scenery, the scenery of the Lake alone equalling Lake George, and the Gorge, four hundred feet deep with the rocks rising perpendicular that height, for a mile on either side. The Falls making a single leap of two hundred and fifteen feet, and breaking from the top into a "pendant, snowy veil," combined with the scenery of the upper and lower ravines, are said by hundreds who have visited Switzerland, to surpass anything they have ever seen. No words, however, can convey a just idea of the commingled beauty, grandeur and sublimity. The pencil has made the attempt, but has sadly failed to do it justice. It well repays a trip across the State. It makes a charming resort to heated and crowded city people, and Mr. H. D. Freer, of the Ithaca Hotel, has recently purchased the Taughannock House which he has reconstructed throughout, and it is now one of the most healthful and attractive summer homes to be found in the State. The table of the house is supplied from its own exclusive vegetable garden with the choicest of products.

Taughannock Glen is beautifully wild and romantic, divided as it is by the Falls, during the ages past, into two distinct parts widely differing each from the other

in scenic effects. To get a good view of the Falls from below you take a path partly made in solid rock, partly an easy slope, to the bottom of the ravine, then by a winding path through a grove up to the overtowering wall of rocks. These rocks rise four hundred feet, where the water falls in a single leap 215 feet, breaking into a beautiful silvery veil, on either side. In height of rocks and wildness of scenery this glen far surpasses the well-known Watkins Glen. To gaze upward at the sky, from the depths of this Ravine, is to awaken emotions foreign to the ordinary surroundings and associations of mankind. To descend from the glare and heat of noonday, by gently circling and guarded pathways, to the awful stillness and cool of this ancient river bed is to effect a transition words cannot make understood. In all ways the contrast afforded by this resort with the ordinary life of monotony and routine is its chief charm. In the immediate neighborhood attention is directed to the "Upper Ravine" in which is situate the locally famous "Devil's Punch Bowl"; the "Gun Factory of 1812"; "The Spring of Undine" in the main ravine; the "Gothic Door" opening grandly on the right and the "Lady of the Mist" sitting meditatively near the foot of the matchless Falls.

ENFIELD GORGE.

A drive of between six and seven miles from Ithaca brings one to the head of this gorge and the beautiful valley from which the ravine opens was evidently the bed of an ancient lake. A small chamber curiously hollowed out by nature, to resemble a huge, old-fashioned square fire-place, is a short distance within the defile in the cliff on the right. The most prominent feature of "Enfield Gorge" is "Lucifer Falls," which, when you behold, makes one shrink back in amaze-

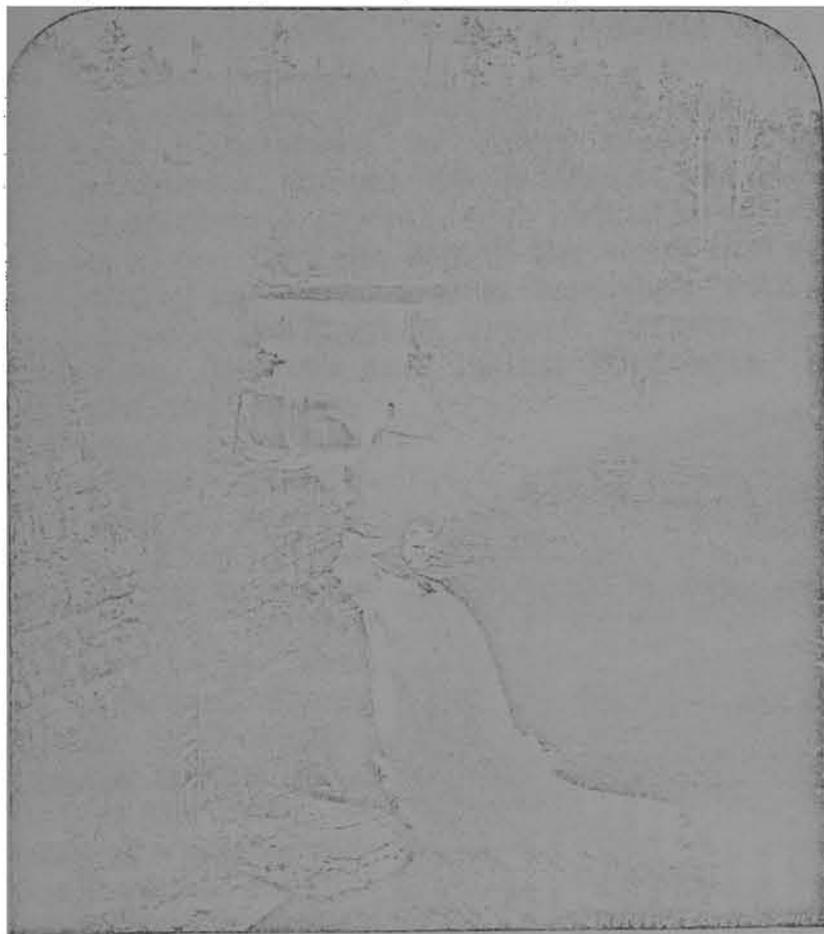


LUCIFER FALLS.

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ment, for you find yourself on the very brink of a mighty precipice over which the creek pours its waters to break in foam on jutting rocks, and finally to take a desperate plunge into a great basin 140 feet

below. Directly facing the first leap of the falls, the path descends rapidly to the bottom of the ravine, where the stream can generally be crossed to the opposite side and the most striking view of the entire fall is obtained. About 275 feet above, tree-crowned cliffs appear and the water climbs to meet the clouds in front. Cascades of every conceivable form and height, and deep narrow channels which sometimes conceal in their rumbling depths the fiercely running water, follow each other in such rapid and agreeable succession, that the spectator is at once lost in wonder and delight at its picturesque beauty.



BUTTERMILK GORGE.

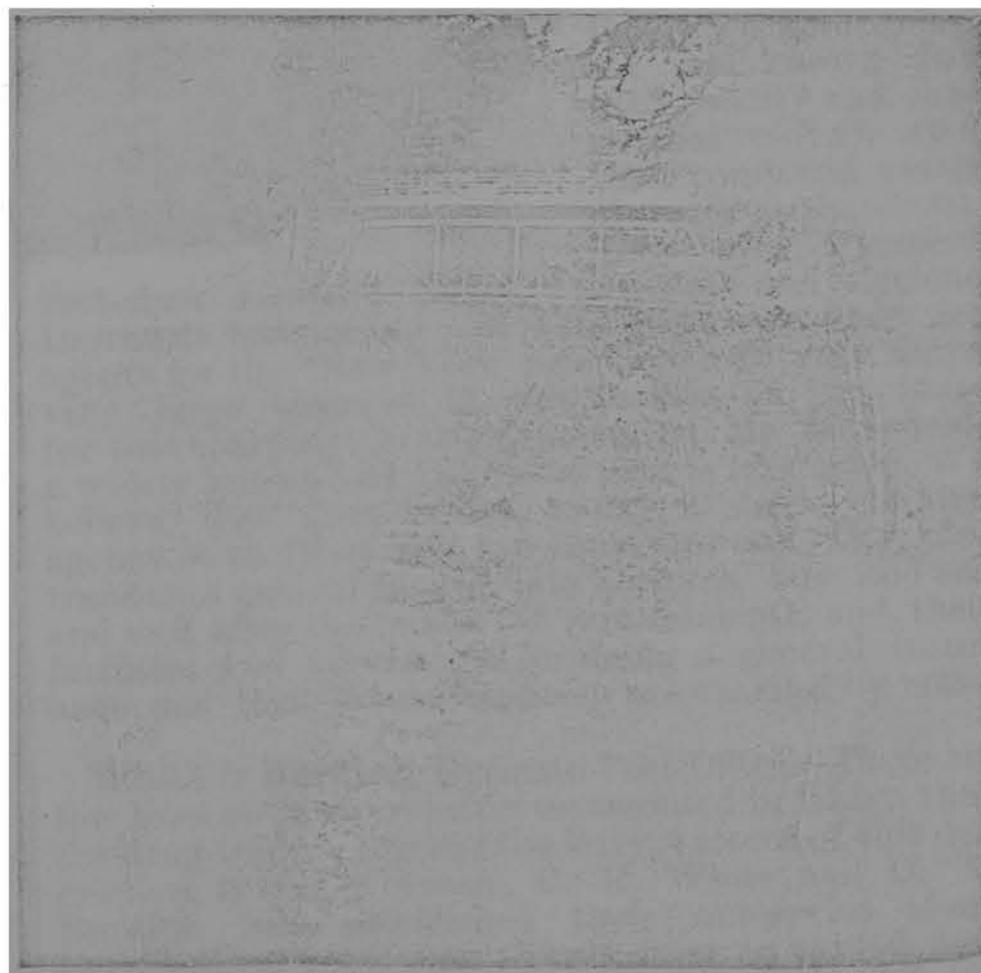
Which from the whiteness of its foaming waters is properly named "Buttermilk Falls." Its crest is 100 feet above the plain and the slope easy of ascent, measures 350 feet. Some distance back from the brink of this wonderful fall, the water is whipped into spray down the ragged slope of a second cascade ninety feet high. Ragged cliffs tower upon each side and curve around a monstrous bowl. Directly in front, from a dismal cleft, the water comes trickling down, a lace-like fringe, draping the front of a semi-circular bulging rock which seems to choke the mouth of the cavernous defile. This is by many thought to resemble a pulpit and has been named "Pulpit Rock." One of the most weirdly fantastic sports of the region, is a narrow flume-like passage where the water has worn innumerable pot-holes and carved tracery on the dark walls. Nearly at the head of this natural tunnel is a fall of twenty feet and standing on the top of this, by looking up the stream, a beautiful series of six picturesque cascades, one above the other is seen splashing in the sun-light. A rare cascade of twenty-five feet blocks the way after a bend and the banks suddenly rise more than 100 feet. A tapering column of stone gray with lichens, and draped with graceful clinging vines and festooned about its base with ferns, towers just above the wall. This is known as "Monument Rock" and on the opposite side an incomplete companion column rises a few yards. Several pretty cascades are above these pillars and a magnificent picture of the lake and valley is had from the bridge, which leads back to Ithaca and along the ridge of south hill.

GLENWOOD

Is reached by a four-mile sail on the lake or a drive of five miles over the hills from Ithaca and is a most delightful location for a summer residence. On either side the hills slope from the level of the lake to a height of about 150 feet. On its way to join the waters of the lake a brook runs through the "Glen" and at a distance of 300 feet progress is barred by a high precipice. Through a narrow opening in its face fifty feet below the top the water pours in a glassy sheet with a direct fall of about twenty feet, thence bounding down from rock to rock accomplishes the remaining distance of seventy feet by a series of pretty cascades. On the north side it flows over a rocky bed through a miniature gorge. The characteristics of this fall are similar to that of the first, but it is not so high, the water having a fall of only about seventy feet. A succession of rapids and wooded dells make attractive the ramble and a more charming scene cannot be imagined. The drive is made attractive from Ithaca by charming bits of glen and lake scenery, with numerous little waterfalls.

CASCADILLA GLEN.

Bursting from a wild deep glen on east hill, the Cascadilla Creek ripples through the village between willow fringed banks, and the finest point of observation is had from the bridge which spans the ravine, directly above the "Giant's Staircase," the most important of the cascades, which derives its name from the massive step of rock over which the water tumbles forty-five feet in a flood of spray. As far as the eye can see above, are a series of pretty little cascades closely embosomed in rocky and arborescent banks. There are no large falls in this glen, but the bed of the stream is formed to a great extent of broad plates of



CASCADILLA RAVINE.

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rock and the water merrily bounding from one ledge to another, makes an almost continuous series of miniature cascades and justify the poetic name of "Cascadilla." There are many more beautiful falls which have given brief sketches of the principal ones.

INDUSTRIES OF ITHACA.

Ithaca Calendar Clock Co. The marked success attendant upon the career and operation of this concern is of such pronounced and obvious character as to demand more than ordinary attention in making a review of this city. It was incorporated in 1865 with a capital of \$150,000.00. The plant consists of a three story building 98 x 130 feet in size, thoroughly supplied with a full line of machinery and appliances and furnishes employment to thirty men. They are manufacturers of the celebrated Ithaca Calendar Clock which is absolutely perfect, and indicates perpetually the hour of the day, the day of the week and month, the month of the year, and is furnished with calendars printed in the English, French, German, Swedish, Portuguese, Spanish and Italian languages. These

clocks are made in sixty different styles and are outfitted with any first class movements. They make the clock to suit any special room, in any wood or design that may be desired. Every calendar is thoroughly tested before being fitted in the case, by means of a special machine invented for that purpose by which they are run through all the changes of eight years of time. None are shipped until they have passed this test, and are proved in all respects accurate and

reliable. Three traveling salesmen are employed and their clocks are sold in all parts of the civilized world and have gained a reputation unequalled by any. It is the only perfectly reliable calendar clock manufactured in the world and much skill and ingenuity have been expended in bringing it to its present state of perfection. It can be found in every reliable jobbing house and jewelry store, and the annual output is about 14,000 clocks. The concern also manufacture many specialties in walnut, brass and iron, such as money drawers, advertising clocks and novelties. The officers of the concern are Messrs F. C. Cornell, president; C. H. White, treasurer; J. H. Selkreg, secretary and G. W. Miller, manager, all gentlemen who are known for their business qualifications and their establishment is both an honor to themselves and a credit to the city.

Frank E. Howe, Nos. 9, 11 and 13 N. Tioga street. Dr. Howe has been identified with this important profession in Ithaca for the past fifteen years and in 1886 first called the attention of the public to his method of filling teeth without pain, of which he makes a specialty. Many thousand fillings have been inserted by the use of his preparation, while hundreds of patients from distant cities have availed themselves of

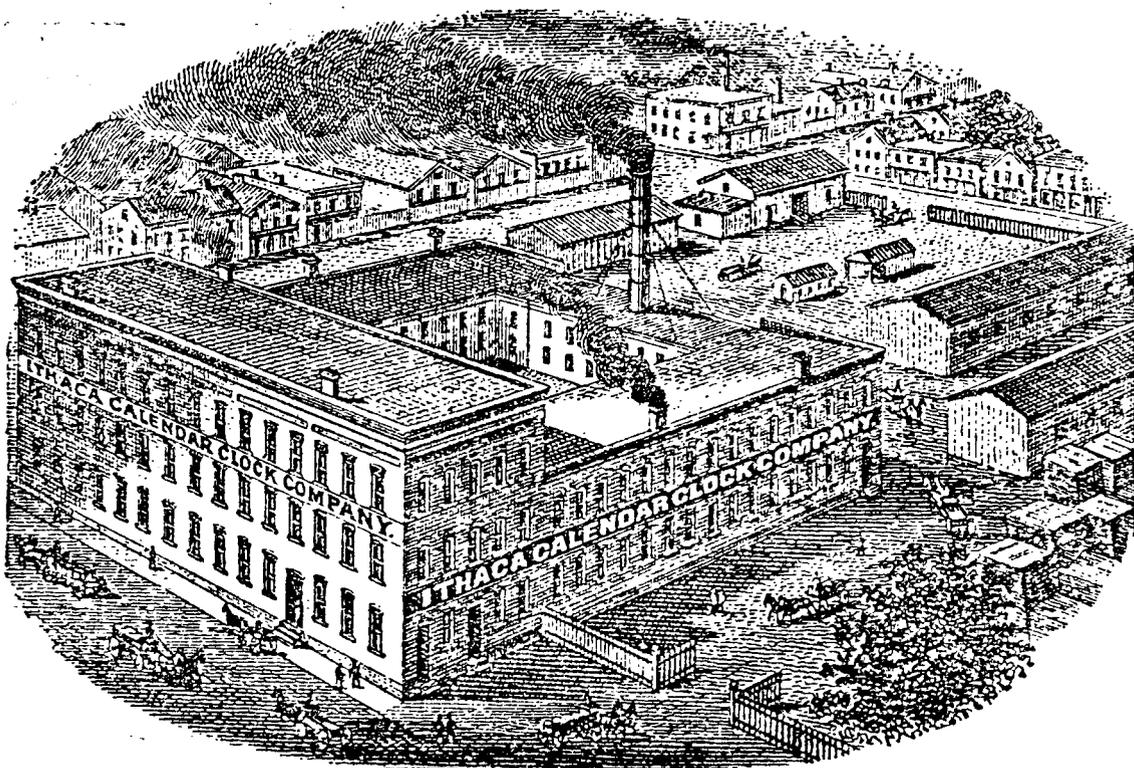
its use and have expressed their surprise and gratification at the comfort with which a usually painful operation is performed. Dentistry in all its branches is attended to and his offices are finely fitted up and all that skill and painstaking can do in the dental art, assisted by the best modern appliances, is at the command of his patrons, who are assured that they can know exactly what results are to be expected from each operation.

Gray & Patterson, No. 7 E. State street, Post Office Building. In providing for the insuring classes of Ithaca, both fire and life, the most perfect facilities and advantages for insuring are enjoyed by the above firm which has earned general recognition and gener-

ous patronage. The firm is the out-come of the two oldest insurance agencies of this city, that of Geo. L. Gray & Co. and R. E. Post & Son. The latter business was purchased by Mr. L. E. Patterson in 1889, when he consolidated with Geo. L. Gray, and the present firm name was adopted. They represent eighteen Fire Insurance companies, all well-known for their solidity and substantial worth and with combined assets of over \$200,000,000.00.

They also represent first-class Accident, Boiler, Plate-glass and Cyclone Insurance companies. In Life Insurance they are agents for the "New York Life" and last year did a very large business in this portion of the State for that company, in this department, Mr. Mansfield, a widely known Life Insurance man is interested. We believe, that there is not, to-day, a single country agency in the State that can equal this one. They also transact a general Real Estate business, buy and sell and look after the estates of non-residents, and their facilities and advantages for doing a general Insurance and Real Estate business are excelled by none.

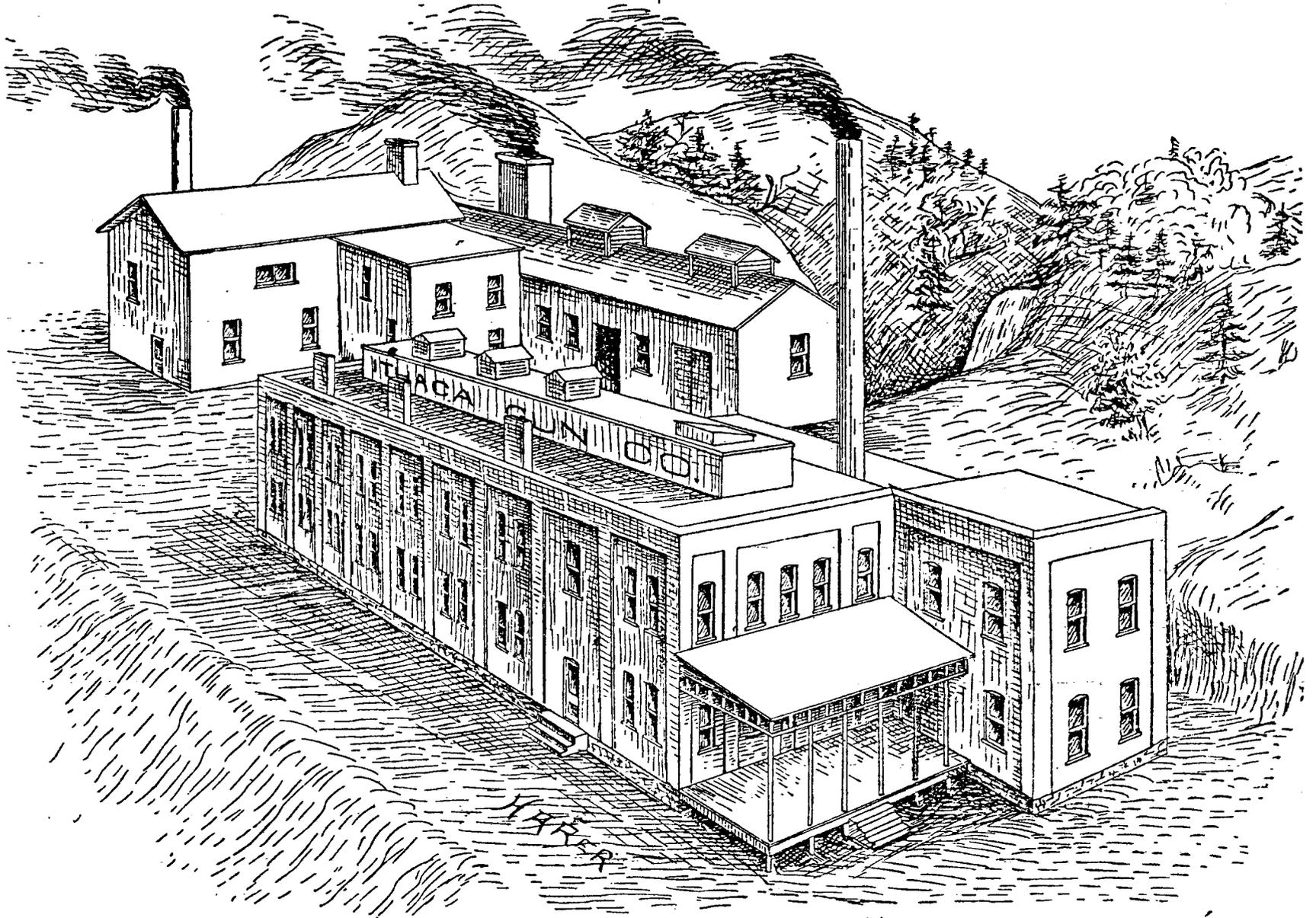
White & Burdick, Opposite Post Office. There are few lines of business better represented in Ithaca than the drug trade. Among the largest stores of this description, is that of Messrs. C. H. White and D. W. Burdick, who established their enterprise about twenty-three years ago. Their store is 25x100 feet, with basement, which is lavishly stocked with the very best and strictly pure Drugs, Chemicals, Proprietary Medicines, an elegant line of Toilet Articles and Perfumeries, Cigars, etc. Special attention is paid to Prescriptions, none but competent clerks handling such. They also deal extensively in all kinds of Paints, Varnishes, Oils, Glass; and best



their extensive retail trade, they also enjoy a lucrative wholesale business. Two clerks find employment here, and both Mr. White and Burdick are expert pharmacists, and by their gentlemanly demeanor make their store a pleasant resort for all who enter.

Ithaca Gun Company. An industry that has done much to make the name of Ithaca known throughout the world is the manufacture of the Ithaca Gun, an article now acknowledged to be indispensable to every sportsman. This gun contains all the standard points called for in a gun of first quality, such as the stop-lever action, rebounding lock, low hammer and patent compensating fore-end. The simplicity of construction is a feature that will be appreciated by every

present firm assuming charge six years ago. The works consist of the machine and assembling shops two stories high 36 x 125 feet, with an L 24 x 30 feet; polishing shops 24 x 30 feet and one-story high; forge shop and case-hardening room 20 x 36 feet, one-story soldering and brazing room 18 x 20 feet and several other structures, all of brick. The entire plant is equipped with the most improved tools, and the machinery, most of which is of a special character, has been made on the premises. Nothing but the best skilled labor is employed and neither time nor expense is spared in the manufacturing department of the business, in which are employed seventy men. The proprietors are Dwight McIntire, L. H. Smith and George Livermore, all of whom enjoy an excellent reputation

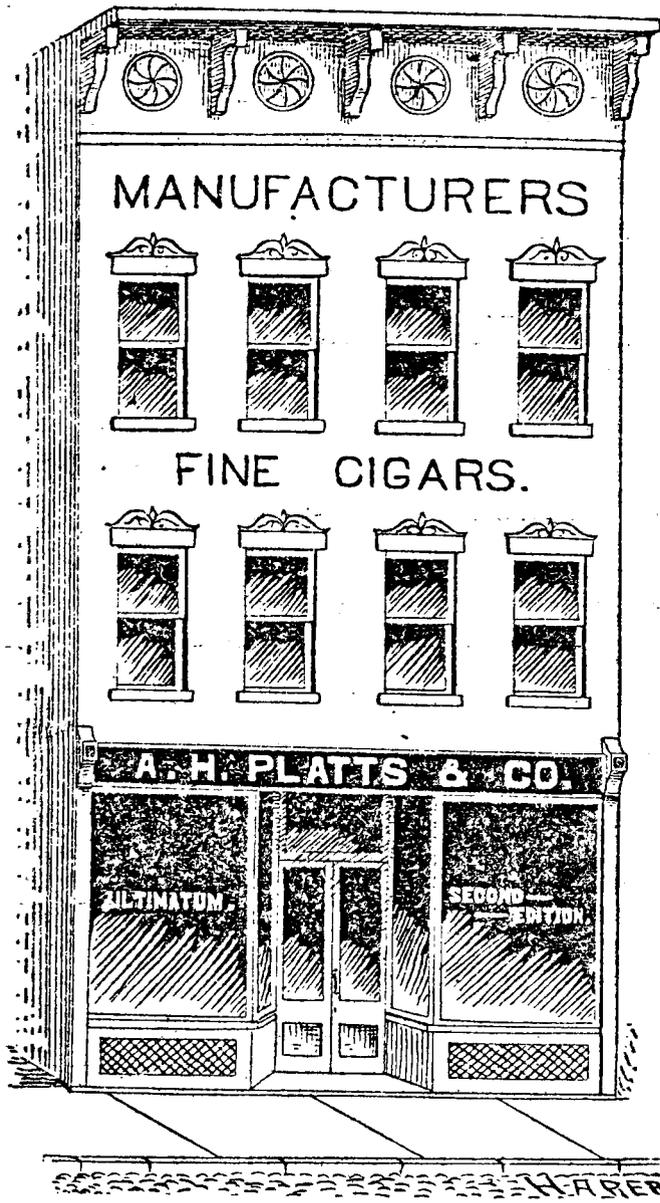


sportsman, while the style and finish of the Ithaca gun is equal to the Parker, Colt, Peifer or any other first-class gun, in fact it is the simplest and best gun manufactured in the world. One of the many improvements in the manipulation of the Ithaca Hammerless Gun is the attachment of their cocking device, which enables them to put on and remove barrels at all times, same as Hammerless Gun, without reference to the gun being cocked or not, thus avoiding the necessity of the continued tension on the mainspring when the gun is not in use, or oblige one to cock it before replacing the barrels. An examination of the gun will convince the sportsman that it has many improvements and advantages not possessed by any other hammerless gun and that it is the best gun for the money. They are manufacturers of Fine Breech-Loading Guns, Hammer and Hammerless Double-Barrel Shot Guns, and make a specialty of close, hard shooting guns, all of which are fully warranted. The business was started six years ago, the

in all their dealings among a large circle of business acquaintances.

First National Bank. Few banking houses in the country can show a record of greater prosperity than the above, which was organized under the national banking laws, in 1864. The capital stock of the bank is \$250,000.00 with a surplus of \$50,000.00 and a general banking business in all its branches is transacted. The First National is thoroughly equipped for the prosecution of its business and the accounts of corporations, firms and individuals will receive prompt and careful attention. The directory is made up of the most prominent and experienced business men of this section and its officers are Messrs. Douglass Boardman, president, John C. Stowell, vice-president, and Henry B. Lord, cashier, all of whom extend financial aid when needed and are among the greatest factors in development of the resources of Ithaca.

A. H. Platts & Co., No. 10 and 12 East State street. In no line of business is a gratifying condition of trade more noticeable than in that relating to cigar manufacture, and to no house can it be more justly



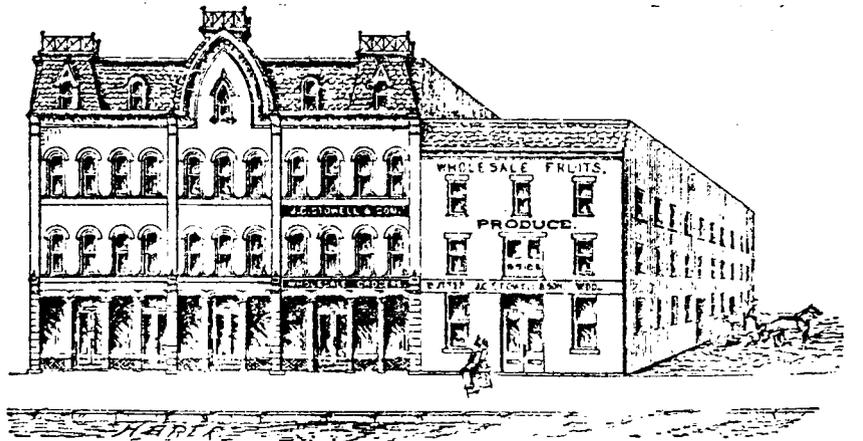
applied than to that of the above. The factory comprises four floors, two of which are 20x80 feet and two floors 66x80 feet in size, where forty skilled cigar makers are steadily employed. The total product for last year reached the handsome aggregate of 1,500,000 cigars. They are the manufacturers of that famous and celebrated ten cent cigar, the "Ultimatum," which is a hand-made cigar with Havana filler, Sumatra wrapper, the superior of which has never been discovered, and is considered by connoisseurs, an easy smoker of mellow taste and fine flavor. Nothing but the very best stock is used in the make-up of this cigar, and last year the firm manufactured 1,000,000 of "Ultimatums." They are about to present to the public, the "Our Record" five cent cigar, which will, undoubtedly, in a short time become a prime favorite with smokers. The trade of the house extends to all parts of the country and three traveling men are employed. The foundation of this vast enterprise was laid in 1863. Mr. A. H. Platts being with the house for the past twenty years as a partner. The present firm was established two years ago and consists of A. H. Platts, J. B. Delano, P. Crise and A. L. Niver, all of whom are well known and respected in this community.

L. S. Wortman, No. 16 N. Aurora street. One of the most important and admirable features of this city's business institutions, is her Meat Markets. Principal among such establishments is that of the above gentleman, who in 1886 succeeded to a business established by his father many years ago. The premises occupied are large and spacious, equipped with large refrigerators for the preservation of the immense stock of Fresh and Salt Meats of all kinds, which can at all times be found here. Hams, Shoulders, Bacon and Bologna; Head-cheese and Sausages in their season form specialties which have a wide reputation with connoisseurs. An extensive wholesale trade is enjoyed and Mr. Wortman does a large shipping business to eastern cities. His slaughter house is located on the out-skirts of the city, and the Sausage Factory is in

the rear of the store, both places being thoroughly equipped with the necessary appliances. About five head of cattle and from ten to twenty lambs, sheep and calves are killed weekly and four men are employed. As a meat emporium, Mr. Wortman's place has won a reputation that ranks it at the head of quite a respectable list of competitors.

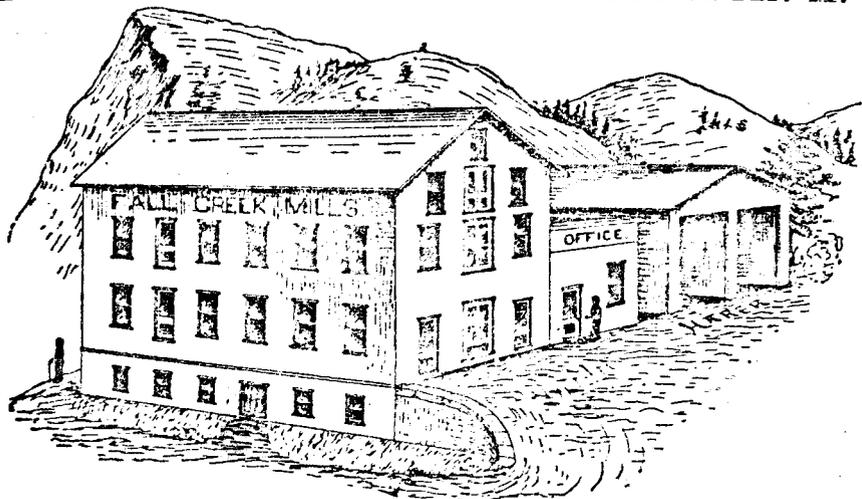
A. E. Chipman, No. 10 E. State street. One of the most progressive business houses in this city is that of the above gentleman, who has been in business here since 1888. His store-room is 20x100 feet and here can be found all the latest styles and novelties of Parlor and Chamber Furniture, Upholstery Goods, Tapestries, Lace Curtains, Baby Carriages and everything that is new, novel and desirable in this line. He also occupies a three-story ware-house, 40x100 feet in size, for storing surplus stock and doing all kinds of Upholstering Work and Repairing, which is promptly attended to and neatly executed. He employs six people and one wagon, and his trade is very extensive throughout the city and surrounding country.

J. C. Stowell & Son, Nos. 17, 19 and 21 W. State street. The wholesale grocery trade in this city has a worthy representative in the above firm. The house was established twenty-one years ago, since which time it has year by year grown and extended until it has attained its present large proportions. The premises occupied are one building four stories high with basement and one three story building with basement, each floor 60x115 feet in dimensions, thoroughly equipped for the rapid conduct of the business, with steam elevator and other conveniences. A strictly wholesale business is done in Groceries and produce of all kinds, including Pillsbury's XXXX Flour, Sugars, Coffees, Spices, Fancy and Shelf Goods, Tobaccos and Cigars, Flavoring Extracts, Wooden-ware, Dried and Green Fruits, and in short everything required by the trade, all of the best grades and quality. One of their specialties is provisions of all kinds, such as Hams, Butter, Cheese, Lard, Dried Meats, Fish, etc., having for the preservation of these goods a cold-storage warehouse in the rear of the store which is three stories high and 30 x 40 feet in size. In the different departments twelve men and two teams find employment, while two traveling men look after the trade of the house which is extensive throughout Southern New York and Northern Pennsylvania. Large shipments of Butter, Cheese, Lard, etc., are made throughout the Eastern States and as far south as Washington, D. C. The firm is composed of Messrs. J. C. Stowell, who has been in business here since 1835, and his son,



C. D. Stowell, one of Ithaca's enterprising young business men, and their house is in every way worthy of the success it has attained and the respect in which it is held by the entire community.

Fall Creek Mills. One of the industries upon which Ithaca may justifiably pride herself is the manufacture of a superior grade of flour, and the largest establishment of the kind is that of Mr. A. M.



Hull, who thirty years ago, succeeded to the business which was established about forty years ago. The mill is a large three story structure 40x100 feet in size, with an L two stories high and 30x40 feet in size, used for storage purposes. Its motive power is furnished by two water wheels, one of eighty-eight and one of sixty horse power, and is provided with an Odell system full roller process, twenty rollers in all, giving a capacity of 200 bbls. per day, and employment to eight men. Nothing but the very best grades of flour are manufactured and their specialties are "Superlative," which is made of mixed spring and winter wheat "Minnesota Hard Spring," made entirely of Minnesota wheat, and "Bonney" of winter wheat. The above are all patent. For family use their brands are "Fall Creek," Standard, "Golden Harvest" and "Vienna," and judging from the immense demands made on the firm for their products, these brands certainly have no superior. Grain is bought for cash, and all kinds of feed and meal is ground to order. One traveling man looks after the trade of the house, which is very extensive in this city and within a radius of 100 miles. Mr. Hull, a gentleman of affable and pleasant manners, gives his personal attention to the mill.

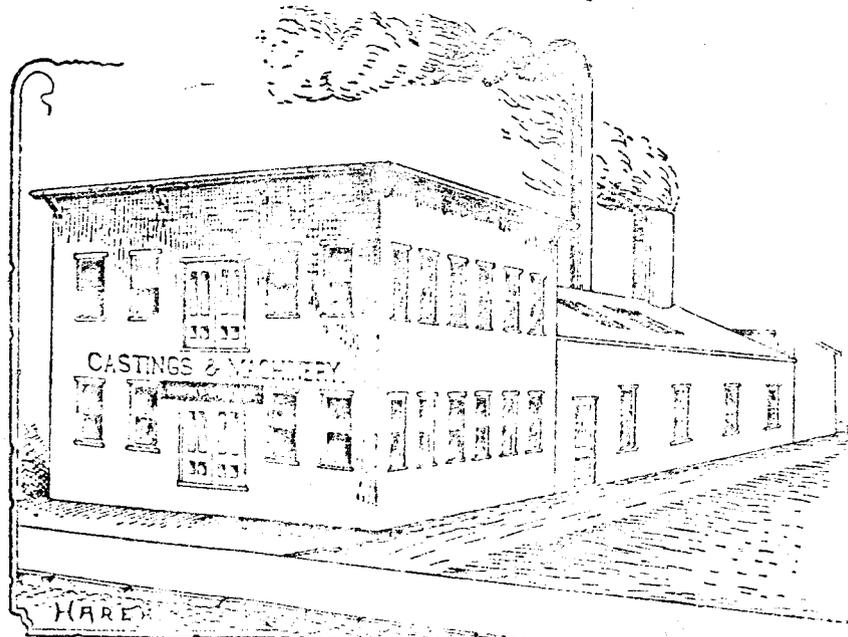
Fred Atwater, Nos. 34 and 36 North Aurora street. Ithaca is to be congratulated on numbering such houses as the above among her merchants. The business dates its origin to 1886 and Mr. Atwater carries on two distinct enterprises, that of a first-class retail grocery and a bakery. In the bakery there are employed four men, and Bread, Cakes, Pies, Buns, Rolls, etc., form the specialties of this department, while in the grocery a full stock of staple and fancy goods, produce and fruits of all kinds, in fact everything usually found in a first-class house of this kind. Five people are employed in the store, which is 32x60 feet in size, and another room 16x60 feet, is used for storage purposes. Mr. Atwater is looked upon as one of the staunch and reliable merchants of Ithaca.

The Clinton House, corner Cayuga and Seneca streets. The above house is the oldest hotel in the city, having been conducted as a hotel since 1830. It is a massive four-story brick structure, well arranged and adapted for the purpose and numbers seventy-five large and well-ventilated rooms, comfortably furnished throughout. Guests of the house enjoy all the comforts of a first-class hotel and receive a care and attention that cannot fail to make the stay of any one a pleasure. It also contains roving halls, handsome parlors and a spacious office, which is connected with

Reading, Writing and Bar-rooms. In fact, every department of the house is kept first-class in all respects. The dining room will seat 100 guests and the table is a special feature, provided with all the delicacies and luxuries in season. The house is heated by steam, has electric call bells, hot and cold water and employment is furnished to twenty polite assistants. The proprietors, Messrs. C. H. Wilcox, B. F. Slocum and C. A. Bush are experienced hotel men whose courteous manners and social qualities have gained for them a host of friends throughout this section.

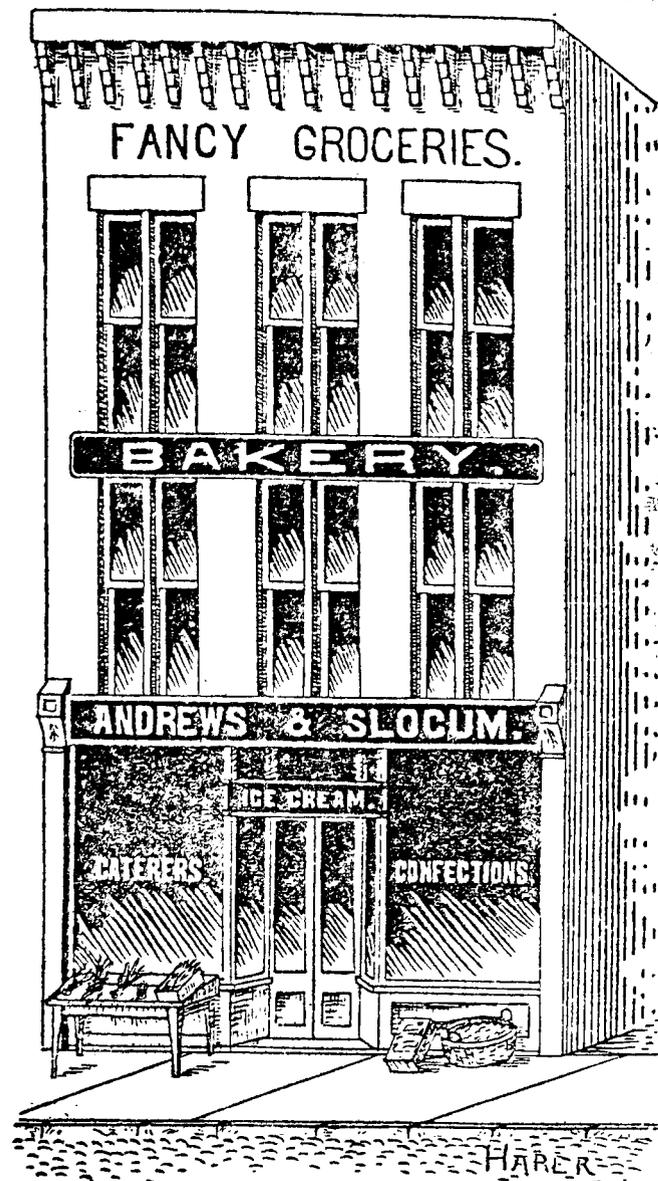
Uri Clark, State street. Among the large number of elegantly fitted store-rooms on the main thoroughfare of this city, is that of Mr. Uri Clark, who is one of Ithaca's pioneer business men, having been in business here for the past thirty years. In his store-room which is 22x70 feet in size, he employs two clerks, and his stock is one of the largest and finest in the city, comprising everything in the way of fine Jewelry, Diamonds, Watches, Clocks, Bric-a-brac, etc. His stock is always large and complete and a specialty is made of Guns, Fishing Tackle, Ammunition, Sporting Goods, etc. Mr. Clark is a practical watch-maker and offers special inducements to purchasers.

Godfrey & Gilbert, No. 31 South Cayuga street. We take pleasure in mentioning in this review the machine shop which was founded in 1889 by Messrs. E. O. Godfrey and R. Gilbert. Their premises consist of a two story building 32x115 feet in size, which is equipped in a splendid manner for the extensive business they carry on. They employ seven men and are themselves, among the most experienced and skillful machinists in this State. They are large manufacturers of Horse Hoes and Cultivators of their own patterns, which have a large sale on account of their durability and usefulness. Shaftings, Pulleys, Hangers, Plows, Scrapers, Stove Repairs, Boat Castings, Feed Bunks and Hay Racks, and a specialty is made of repairing machinery of all kinds and manufacturing to order all kinds of special castings and machinery, all of which are made up promptly to order. This is one of the live and progressive manufacturing establishments of the city. Mr. Godfrey



was with Tremain Bros., for over twenty years and is a practical man in all branches of machine work, while Mr. Gilbert was for eight years foreman of the foundry with the same firm.

Andrews & Slocum, No. 17 E. State street. A review of Ithaca would be anything but complete, unless it contained some mention of the above house. The premises consist of one floor and basement 20x80



feet in size, and in their stock can be found everything and anything pertaining to staple and fancy groceries, canned goods, etc. They are also extensive bakers and supply a large trade with their famous "New England" Bread, Cakes, Buns, Rolls and a full line of Confections. A specialty is made of catering for banquets, weddings, parties, etc., and they are regarded as *the caterers* of the city. Five clerks in the store and two men in the bake-shop are employed. The business was established as far

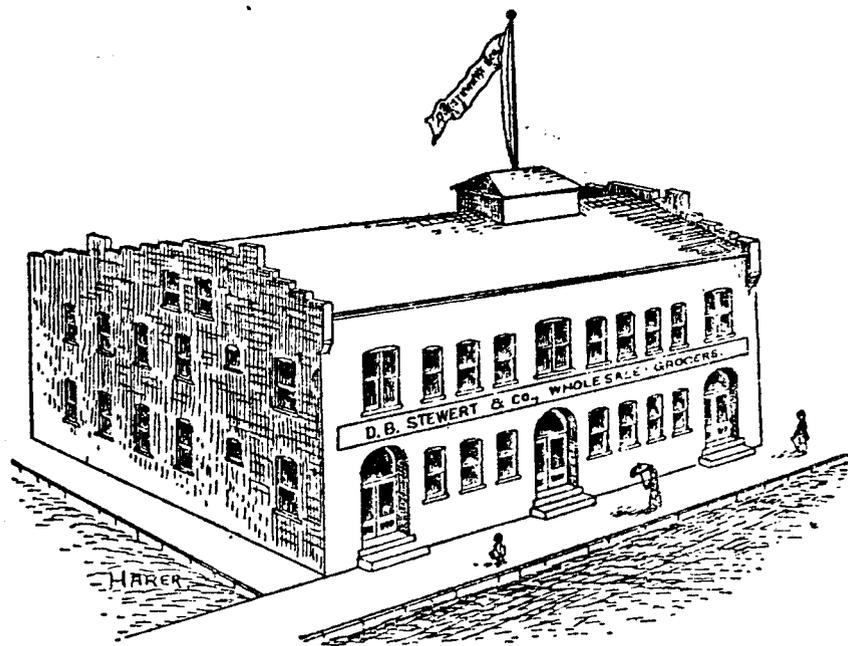
back as 1883 and the present firm which is composed of Messrs. I. C. Andrews and C. H. Slocum took charge in 1891, and they conduct their business on principles that are never failing of success. They make a specialty of Ice Cream and Ices of all flavors put up in shapes—delivered to customers. Outside orders given prompt attention.

A. B. Dale, Office, First Door Next of Post Office. Of all arts, architecture may be ranked as the most useful to man, while the others are only decorations, and no edifice should be built without being passed upon by a competent architect. One of the leading firms engaged in this line of industry in Ithaca is that of Mr. A. B. Dale, at the above location, where he can be consulted at all times. He is an architect of twenty-nine years experience, and a practical man in his profession—nature having endowed him with a taste for this profession, he has made it a favorite study, and is prepared at all times to furnish plans for all kinds of public and private buildings. It would be impossible in a work of this character to enumerate even a respectable portion of the many structures erected through the enterprise of Mr. A. B. Dale, but we may mention the Ithaca House, Masonic, Wilgus, Sprague and Gregg Blocks, *Journal* Building and Wm. Esty, Mrs. Sprague, Wm. Bostwick, J. L. Whiting, Wm. Andrews and Judge Boardman's residences, and a score or more of others.

E. S. Sisson, No. 58 E. State street. The well dressed portion of this community is in a decided majority, and owe the stylish and well made appearance of their garments to such merchant tailoring

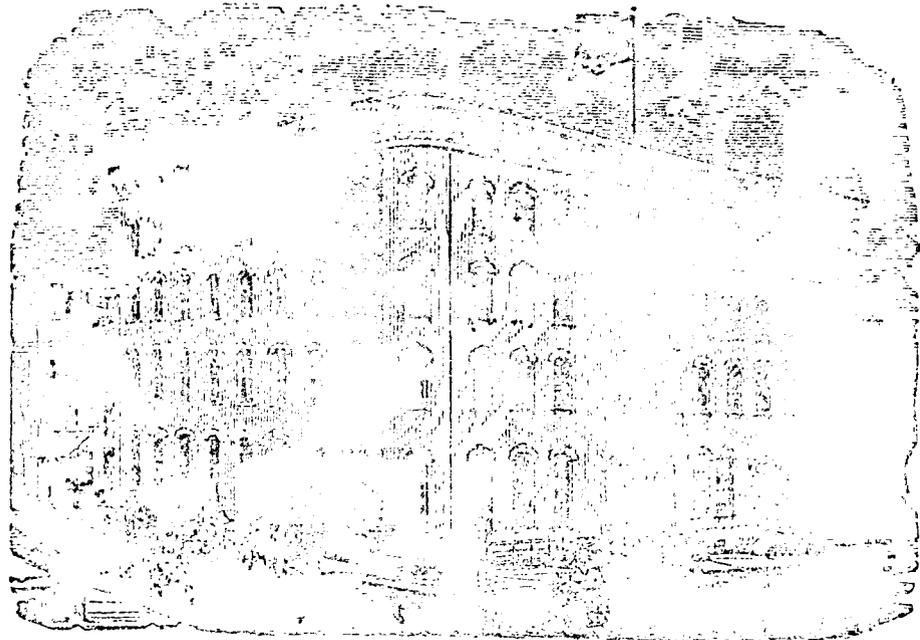
houses as that of Mr. Sisson, who two years ago succeeded H. K. Jones, and ranks with the best in this section. His parlors are well appointed and nicely stocked with a choice selection of Foreign and Domestic Woolens, Cassimeres, Cheviots, etc., of the latest styles and patterns. Ten people are employed and one expert cutter, who are at all times under his personal supervision. He guarantees elegant styles, perfect fit and his trade is continually increasing, owing to his affable and polite manners.

D. B. Stewart & Co., Nos. 15, 17 and 19 South Tioga St. The wholesale grocery trade of Ithaca is one of its leading business interests, and the house of D. B. Stewart & Co., is the most prominent representative of that interest. This well known house is certainly a pioneer, having been established in 1871 by Winton, DeLano & Co., who after several changes were succeeded by the present firm two years ago. The building occupied for business purposes is a large and commodious structure two stories high, with basement, 80x80 feet in dimensions. A tour of inspection was made through the different departments by the writer, and we can safely assert that a better arranged or more complete stock of Groceries and Provisions cannot be found in this state. A strictly wholesale business is done and a full line of everything pertaining to the wholesale grocery trade can be found here, all of the best grades and sold at lowest market quotations. A specialty is made of the finest brands of Teas and Coffees. They are extensive coffee roasters and their special brand "Zalacca" has no superior in purity and strength, and is unequalled in quality. They are also extensive manufacturers of cigars, among them the famous "Nabob" 5-cent cigar, which has been made by Mr. Stewart for the past 20 years, and stands in high repute among all consumers as an excellent and first class weed in every respect. The "Fultorn" another excellent 5-cent cigar; and the celebrated "Journal" 10-cent cigar, which is made of Havana filler and Sumatra wrapper, and is considered by experts to be the finest smoke in the market to-day, having that fine flavor and mellow taste peculiar to fine cigars. In the cigar department ten men are employed, in the store nine men and two teams, while five traveling men look after the interests of the firm on the road. The individual members of the firm are



Messrs. D. B. Stewart, E. C. Stewart, A. M. Lovell and B. F. Tompkins, all of whom are "natives to the manor born" and gentlemen who have no superiors commercially or socially, in this community.

Ithaca Hotel. The residents of this city have every reason to be proud of the palatial Hotel "Ithaca," which opened its doors to the public in 1872. The building is a four story brick structure 160x140 feet in



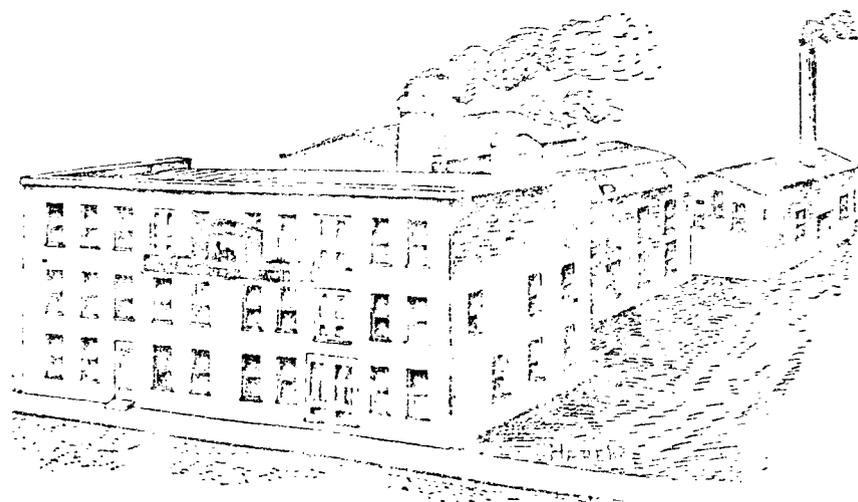
size. The rooms are large, airy and well arranged, and the hotel can provide accommodations for 200 guests. The dining room which is a marvel of beauty, will seat 175 guests, and is in charge of competent and skillful stewards. The cuisine is unexcelled and all the delicacies that the market affords are to be found on the table. There are spacious parlors, reading, reception, billiard and sample rooms, and all other appurtenances to be found in the larger cities. The house has 120 comfortably furnished sleeping apartments which are in communication with the offices on the ground floor by electricity. A specialty is made of furnishing banquets, dinners, etc., to large parties. Mr. H. D. Freer who has had charge of the house for the last five years, is one of the most experienced hotel men in the country and has hosts of warm friends among the commercial tourists.

R. A. Heggie & Bro., No. 49 E. State street. The foundation of the above concern was laid as far back as 1876, and it is to-day one of the leading establishments of the kind in the "Forest City." The firm is most eligibly located in commodious quarters, 22x100 feet in size, and their stock in trade consists of Jewelry of all kinds, except the shoddy articles; their assortment of Diamonds and precious stones being large and varied, Gold and Silver Watches, Silver Ware, Fine Silk Umbrellas and Optical Goods, both of foreign and domestic manufacture. The firm are also manufacturing jewelers, the factory being located in the rear of the store, and make a specialty of College Badges and Medals, Charms, etc., of the better grade only. They also give special attention to Fine Watch and Jewelry Repairing and employ two competent assistants. Messrs. R. A. and W. C. Heggie are both practical watchmakers and jewelers, and have succeeded in advancing their business interests to a full and high degree of prosperity.

George Griffin, No. 9 N. Tioga street. In general appearance, and for the needs of the business it can be truthfully said that the salesroom of Mr. George Griffin is without doubt the finest and best of the kind in this entire section, not even excepting the palatial stores of Rochester and Buffalo. It is a large, well arranged store, 35x85 feet in dimension, and, as re-

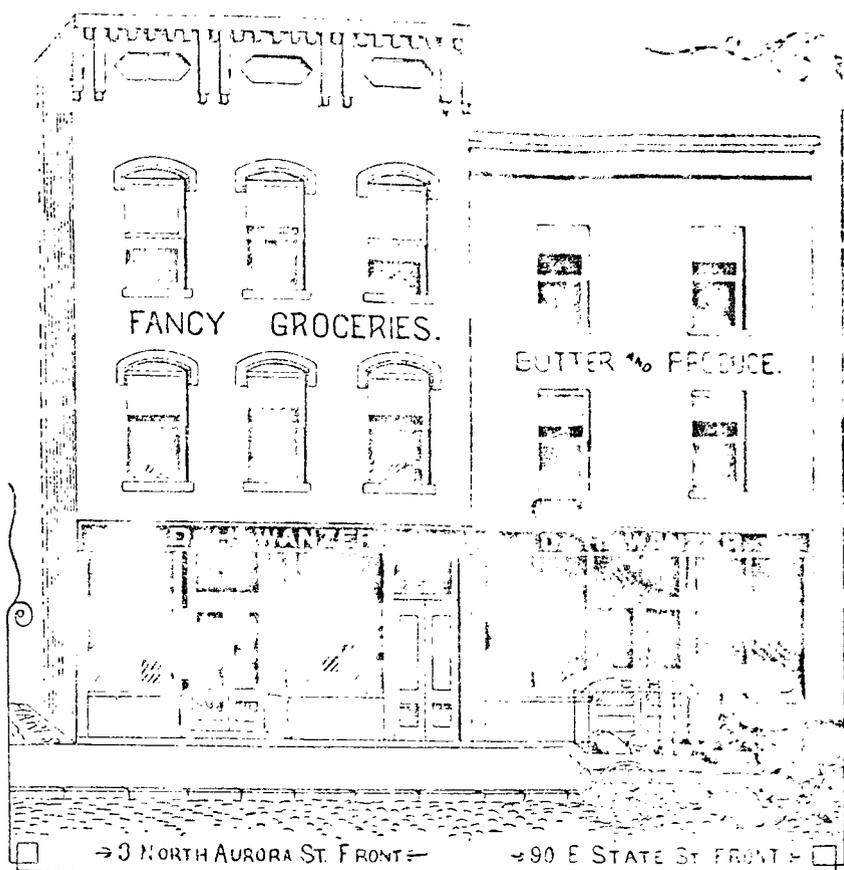
gards light and ventilation, is absolutely perfect. In it is displayed a most carefully selected stock of foreign and domestic goods of the most stylish patterns and colors, which, in the hands of artistic cutters and skilled journeymen, are made up into elegant and perfect fitting garments, the house basing its reputation upon the stylish appearance of its patrons. Part of the third floor is used for manufacturing purposes, and twenty-five hands and two skilled cutters are employed. The business has been established for the past nine years and Mr. Griffin's house is certainly the foremost in its line in this section.

Reynolds & Lang, Nos. 17 and 19 Green street. In the department of iron works, Ithaca has the best facilities for manufacturing, which are not surpassed by any rival, and the company whose card heads this brief sketch is, without doubt, the largest and most extensive of its kind in this section. The ground occupied by them is 66x160 feet in size, on which is erected a three story machine shop 40x60 feet, one story foundry 40x50 feet, three story pattern shop 24x30 feet, one story boiler shop 40x60 feet, and several other buildings which are thoroughly equipped with all the necessary machinery, tools and appliances and where from twenty-five to thirty skilled mechanics are engaged in the manufacture of "Daisy Queen" engine with steel boiler and which is especially designed to meet the steady increasing demand for an engine and boiler simple in construction, of a few parts, durable, easily managed, and economical in the use of fuel. The "Forest City" traction engine, which is the lightest, simplest, most economical, powerful and effective traction engine built in the world. In fact it numbers all the advantages of a perfect machine which can hardly be said of any other in the market, and which has given it a decided preference with the intelligent farming community. Engines, Boilers, Saw Mills, Land Rollers, Plows, Horse-hoes and Cultivators of their own patterns which have a wide reputation for their durability and labor-saving powers, Post Malls Lock-shoes, Sash-weights, etc., and general jobbing and repairing of all kinds is made a specialty. They are also extensive dealers in Rubber and Leather Belting, Hose, Packing, Iron-pipe, Steam Fitting and Engine Supplies. The trade of the concern extends all over this State, Pennsylvania and adjoining states. This enterprise was started in 1860 by J. S. Reynolds, and



in 1864 Mr. J. B. Lang went in, who thoroughly understands all details of their business, being himself a practical mechanic, and who have done much in advancing the interests of this city.

D. H. Wanzer, No. 3 N. Aurora street and 90 E. State street. Mr. D. H. Wanzer, whose name heads this sketch, is no stranger to the people of Ithaca, having done business among them for no less than



twenty-five years. He occupies a fine stand at the above number, including one floor and basement 25x70 feet with an L 22x40 feet in size, at number 90 East State street, employs six assistants, and keeps busy two delivery wagons. He handles choice family groceries of every description, and his extensive trade attests the fine quality of his goods. He keeps in stock everything the house-keeper needs, including all the leading brands of Flour, Teas, Coffees, Bread and Cakes, Fruits, Vegetables, etc., and all his goods are warranted as represented, or your money is refunded. Mr. Wanzer also makes a specialty of fine Butter and through his long practical experience in the business, possesses a thorough knowledge and appreciation of every detail of it.

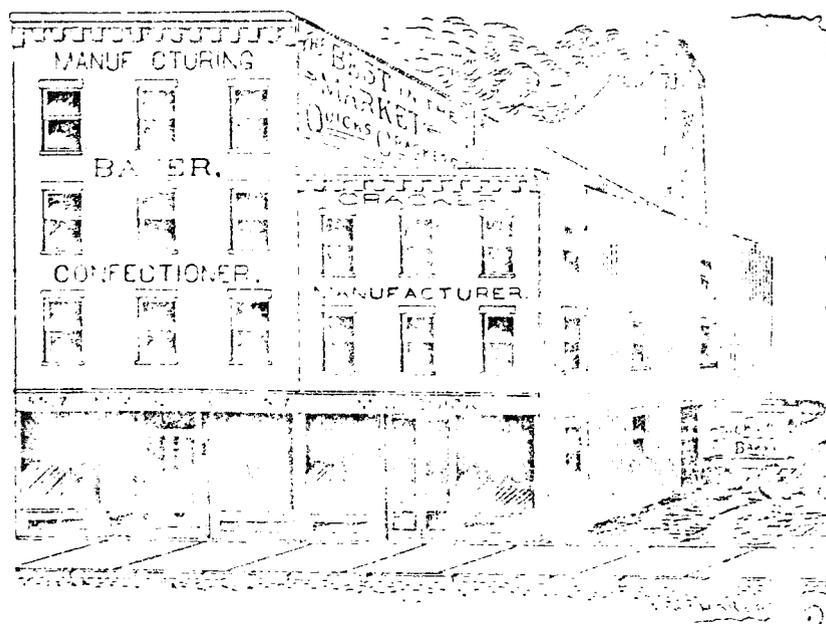
Fred W. Brooks, No. 54 E. State street. Altogether, this establishment is a model of taste and richness in design that speaks volumes for the artistic and executive ability of the proprietor. The stock is the finest, largest and most complete assortment of Diamonds, Gold Watches and Fine Jewelry, Imported and Decorated China Ware, Rich Cut Glass Ware, Ornaments, Bronzes, Lamps, Fine Umbrellas and Canes to be found in Western New York. The show windows are marvels in their way, and display their contents, spread out in glittering array. The store-room is 22x79 feet, and employment is given to three clerks. Buritt & Brooks organized this business in 1865 and conducted it until 1875 when Mr. Buritt retired and Mr. Brooks became sole proprietor. He is a practical watch-maker and jeweler of many years experience and that he has made a grand and growing success of his venture, there is no room for question.

F. B. Atwater, No. 65 E. State street. One of the popular tailoring establishments of this city, is that of the above gentleman, who established his enterprise here in March, 1889. He carries the largest and

finest selection of imported and domestic Woolens, Cassimeres, etc., unique in pattern and artistic in design which are kept replenished from time to time with fresh and most stylish suitings. The most careful and particular attention is given to making up these goods in suits and a perfect fit and satisfaction is guaranteed in all cases. About fourteen hands are employed, all of whom are well skilled and experienced in their trade, and part of the third floor is utilized for manufacturing purposes. An artistic cutter is retained and Mr. Atwater is a business man of ability and intelligence, to which the success of his enterprise is in a large measure due.

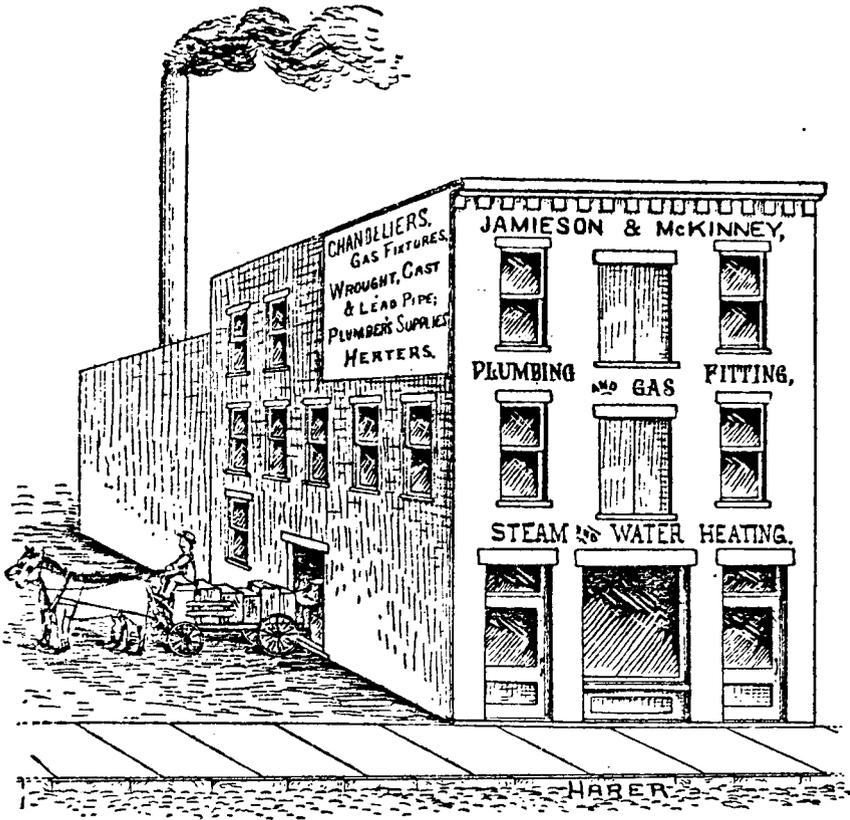
Geo. W. Melotte, M. D. S., Wilgus Block. The above gentleman established himself here twenty-four years ago and occupies handsome and commodious offices in the Wilgus Block, completely equipped with all the modern improvements designed for the preservation of natural teeth, and his practice is wide and extensive. Every possible attention is given to the care of patients and dentistry in all its difficult features and phases is performed, making a specialty of the insertion of teeth, without plates, by the "gold crown" and "bridging" process. Dr. Melotte is the inventor of several dental appliances, and is too well known in this community to need any further comment at our hands.

M. W. Quick, No. 5 and 7 State street. Among the many prosperous and enterprising houses of Ithaca, that of the above gentleman can justly lay claim to a position in the front ranks. The business was established in 1835 by J. L. Whitten, Mr. Quick assuming control July last, since which time it has been an unqualified success. He occupies one four story building, 25x70 feet with basement, and a three story building 25x100 feet, which is used for the bake-shop and shipping room. A general line of Crackers, Cakes, Candies and Confections are manufactured, with a specialty of his celebrated brand of "New Process" Bread, which has the largest sale in this city. From ten to twelve barrels of flour are utilized per day and from seventeen to twenty people find employment. A large trade is transacted within a



radius of thirty miles owing to the superiority of these goods. Mr. M. W. Quick gives his personal attention to the different departments and his standing in this community is particularly high.

Jamieson & McKinney, No. 9 S. Cayuga street. In writing descriptive sketches of the various enterprises carried on in this busy hive of industry, the firm under notice should by no means be omitted from the



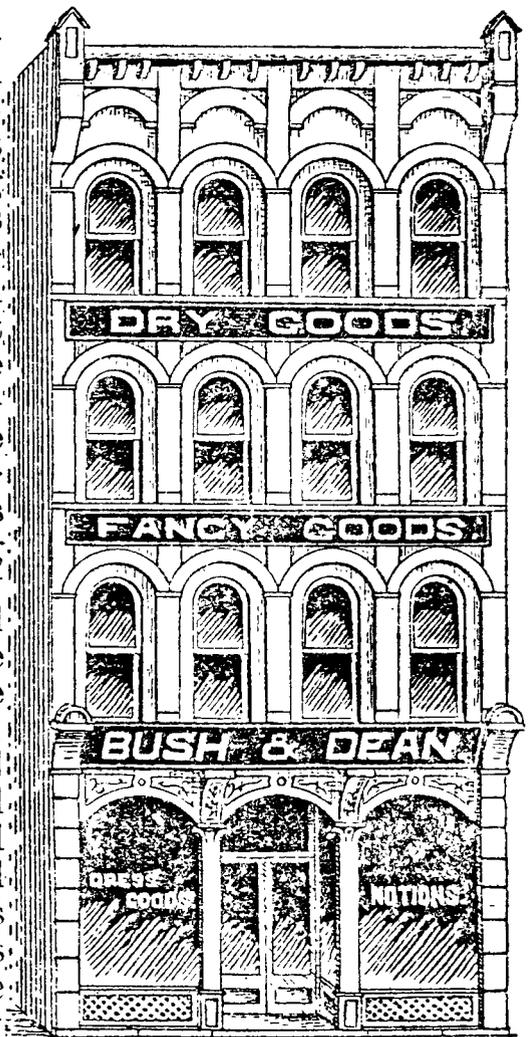
pages of this volume. In 1873 Mr. John M. Jamieson, inaugurated the business and in 1874 admitted to partnership Jas. A. McKinney, who had been with him from the start, and they have built up as fine and growing a trade as any similar house in western New York. A great deal of outside work is done by them in western and southern New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois and New Jersey. Their premises comprise one floor and basement, 25x100 feet in size, and two floors in the rear 20x30 feet each. Their works are thoroughly equipped with all the essential tools and machinery and a number of skilled mechanics find employment in the prosecution of their extensive business. All kinds of Plumbing, Gas Fitting, Steam and Hot Water Heating is done with promptness and despatch, and the firm are wholesale and retail dealers in Pipe, Fittings, Radiators, Valves, Boilers, Bath-tubs, Rubber Hose, Gas Fixtures and all goods generally found in a first-class house of this kind. Furnaces, Steam and Hot Water Heaters of an infinite variety are also handled. Messrs. Jamieson & McKinney are both practical engineers and plumbers and are thoroughly able to compete with other houses and furnish plans and estimates free.

The Bool Co., First Co-operative company. Occupying a magnificent four story structure with a frontage of sixty-five feet and a depth of 162 feet and of a most handsome appearance, with its elegant plate glass windows, displaying all that is elegant in design and costly in material of Upholstery and Furniture wares. The house of The Bool Co., at all times commands the attention of the stranger in Ithaca. The fourth floor and basement is used for storage of surplus stock. The first and third floors are used to display a stock of furniture and unique articles of home comfort and adornment, such as Easy Chairs, Sixteenth Century Wares, Divans, Secretaries, Desks, Baby Carriages, Etchings, Paintings and Picture Frames. The second floor is devoted to everything new, tasteful useful in Carpets, Draperies, Mattings, Antique Rugs, etc., and a new, rich and varied stock of Wall Papers

and Decorations. All of these goods can be found here in infinite variety, quantity, quality, style and price. They also occupy a three story structure with basement 30x160 feet in size, for the manufacture of Furniture and Upholstery Ware, Picture Frames, and make a specialty of Flat Top Desks, which are neat in appearance, handsome in finish and durable, and all kinds of Upholstering and Repairing is neatly executed. The foundation of this vast enterprise was laid by Henry Bool in 1872, who conducted it with marked success until 1890, when it was incorporated with a capital stock of \$30,000.00 on the co-operative plan. Thirty men are employed, all of whom are stockholders in the concern, which is officered by Henry Bool, president; P. A. Campbell, vice-president; E. N. Corbin, secretary and treasurer, who with E. C. Corbin and C. L. Wagner also constitute the directory. So attractive and inviting is their store that it enjoys not only most of the trade of discriminating people hereabouts, but has vast numbers of regular and transient customers from adjacent states. The officers are gentlemen of pronounced business ability, and of courteous manners, making them immense favorites with their many friends and patrons.

Bush & Dean, No. 53 E. State street. The extensive establishment of this firm deserves considerable mention in these pages. It is the most spacious and elegant Dry Goods emporium of Ithaca, their store room being the largest on State street, having a frontage of twenty feet and a depth of 120 feet. It is heated by steam, has a cash railway system and many other improvements which facilitate the rapid conduct of the business.

Eight polite and attentive clerks are employed in the different departments and the basement is utilized for storing purposes. Their trade is unsurpassed by any similar house in the city and is made up of the best and most fashionable people of the community. Everything in the way of foreign and domestic Dry Goods, Ladies and Gents Furnishing Goods, etc., of the very best grades, makes and styles can be found here in endless variety. The specialty of the house, however, is Ladies and Misses' Wraps and Cloaks, Fine Silks and Dress Goods, imported direct from first hands and in the latest styles and novelties. The stock is as varied, new and valuable as that of any house in this line of trade in the country. The business was established thirteen years ago by Jackson & Bush, who were succeeded five years later by the present firm, which is composed of F. M. Bush and O. L. Dean, both of whom are highly esteemed in all circles for their reliability and enterprising spirit.

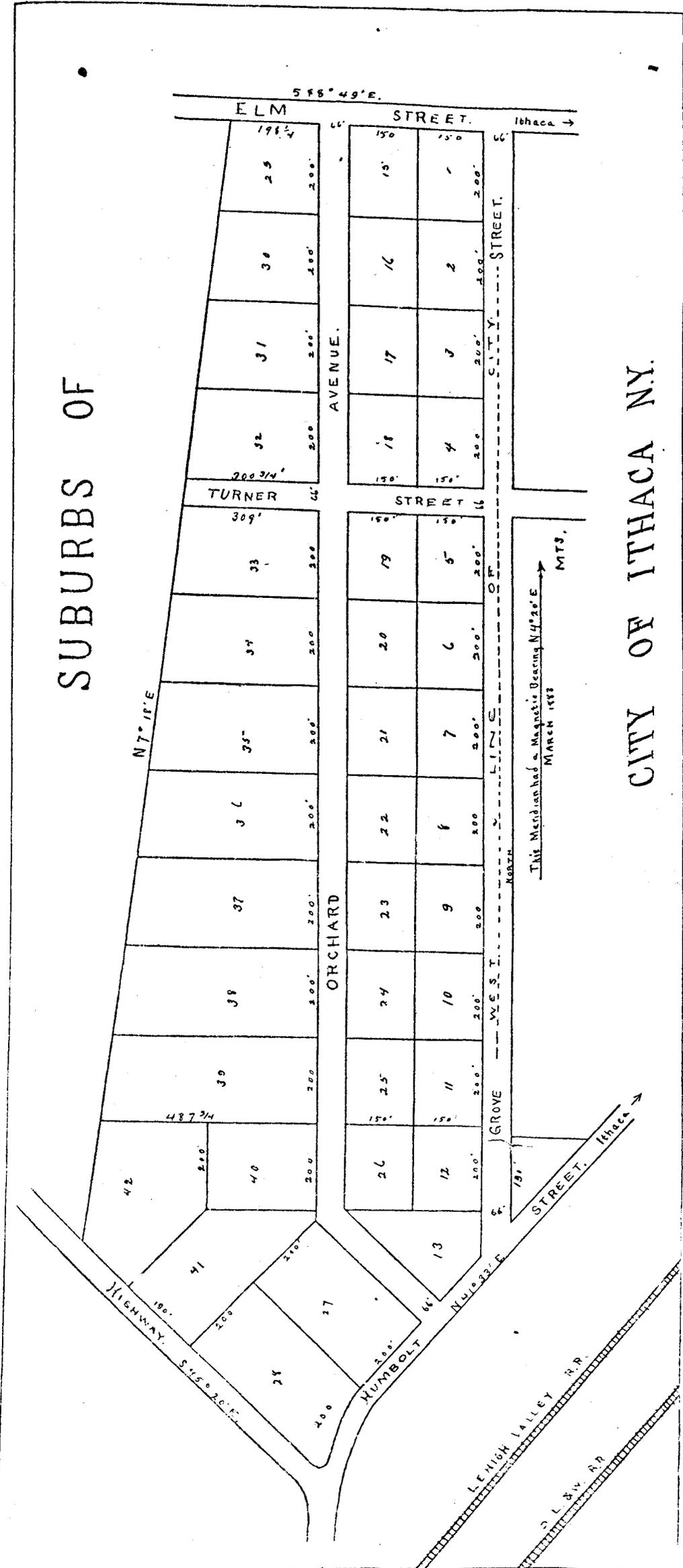


C. M. Titus. The demand for real estate during the past year has in Ithaca, at least, been a sure indication

for the advancement and development of real estate than any other citizen. He has just added another addition to the city of forty lots. These lots are parcels of land, favorably situated for suburban homes, gardening and fruit growing purposes. The soil known to be choice and well adapted to producing grapes, strawberries, raspberries, currants, apples, etc. They are located in one of the many delightful spots of the city and we can refer to none offering more advantages and promises for future developments than the Titus West Side Addition. This property is easy of access, most excellent water is easily obtained and new streets and avenues are now being laid out and graded, and this addition is not only the most available but the finest of all in Ithaca. The lots, than which there are no more desirable in the city, have already found many purchasers, and our advice to those who are looking for a profitable and safe investment, is at once to call on or address, C. M. Titus, Ithaca, N. Y.

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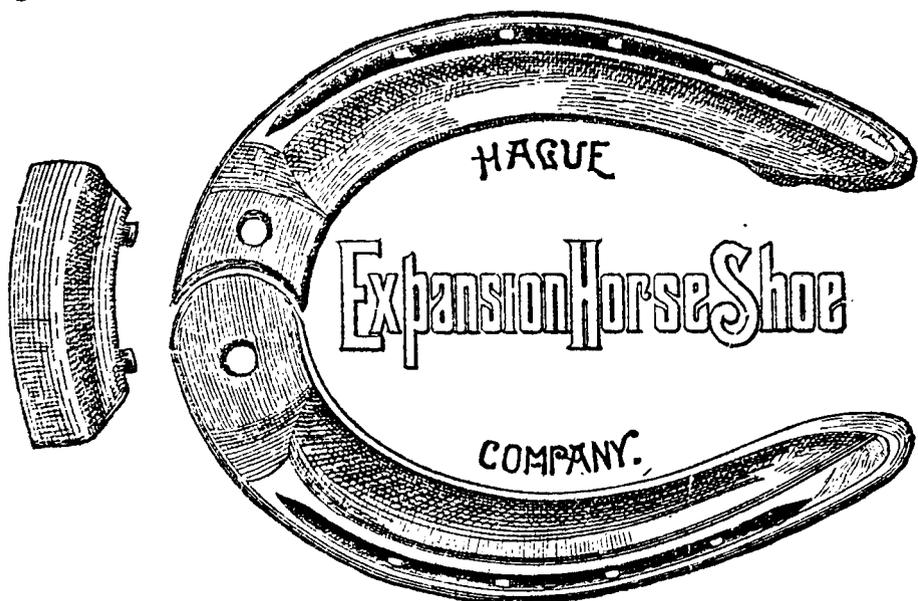
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Williams Bros., Phenix Iron Works. The manufacture of Machinery forms a very important branch of the iron trade of this city. Among the establishments exclusively engaged in this line of enterprise is the above concern, which was established in 1869 by Bostwick & Williams who were succeeded in 1872 by Williams Bros., and who in turn were succeeded in 1883 by Roger B. Williams. The premises are 350x355 feet in dimensions, on which are erected the several buildings necessary for the construction of their products. They are thoroughly equipped and appointed in every particular and the class of work turned out here is unexcelled by any similar establishment. The line of manufacture consists of the "Ithaca Wheel Rake," of which over 80,000 have been sold, and has taken 150 first premiums. It is made to do its work well, of good material, simple and durable, and will rake grain or stubble. It has a broad-cast plaster and grain sower attachment, which is easily regulated and used. It has spring steel, oil tempered teeth, which are always ready for any kind of raking. The "Ithaca Wheel Rake" with self-dumper which for simplicity, durability, and ease of operation is not equaled. The "Ithaca Portable Engine," which numbers all the advantages of a perfect machine and contains many patented improvements of great value and convenience. Plaster and Grain Broad-cast Sowers, patent Straw and Feed Cutters, which have many improvements not to be found in others. The "Ithaca Patent Lumber Wagon," "Eagle Power Punch," which in construction is a combination of eccentric and crank motion, strongly geared, a heavy balance wheel and run with tight and loose pulleys, being adapted to boiler and sheet iron work. Well tools and machinery of all kinds are also manufactured. These implements have passed entirely through the experimental age, and for many years have found a ready market in all parts of this country, Germany, Australia, South America and other foreign countries, the trade being looked after by three traveling men. Agricultural Implements, Engines, Boilers and Machinery of all kinds are made to order and repaired. From forty to fifty skilled workmen are employed in the various departments and the importance of this business to the city of Ithaca can hardly be estimated. Mr. Roger B. Williams is also president of the Ithaca Savings Bank and is known as one of the most liberal and progressive citizens.

of the faith placed in its future by the many who have made investments. It is a strong assertion, but undoubtedly true, that Mr. C. M. Titus has done more

The Ithaca Drop Forge Company. One of the latest acquisitions to the manufacturing industries of Ithaca is the above, which was incorporated with a capital stock of \$50,000.00 about six months ago. The



works are 30x60 feet, thoroughly equipped with all the necessary machinery, and employment is given to seven men. Here they make a specialty of Drop Forging in all its branches. They are the exclusive manufacturers of the Champion Chain Pipe Wrench, which are easily taken apart so that if any part breaks it can be replaced. They are also manufacturers of the Hague Expansion Horse Shoe, which allows the foot perfect freedom, the same as if bare. It is the only shoe fit to use on a colt's undeveloped feet, and will cure contracted feet and corns by allowing the blood its natural circulation. They are made in all sizes and weights, and where they have been introduced have gained the title of the "Practical Common Sense Horse Shoe." The concern is officered by some of Ithaca's prominent citizens who are sure to meet with universal success in their new enterprise.

Tompkins County National Bank. Among the banks of this city the above is particularly worthy of commendatory notice in this publication. This institution was established in 1836 and in 1865 it became a National Bank. A general banking business is done in all its branches. It has a paid-in capital stock of \$150,000.00, with \$27,078.00 undivided profits and a surplus of \$40,000.00. In connection with the banking business they conduct safe-deposit vaults of immense proportions which are of great value and importance to the general public. The vault has been constructed with every precaution and care and is as completely fire and burglar-proof as the ingenuity of man can make it. Great care will be exercised in the management of this department and ample protection for valuables of every description will be given against the depredations of thieves as well as destruction by fire. Each compartment is entirely separate from the others and only the renter can obtain access to its contents. The compartments are four sizes and rent at \$5.00, \$10.00, \$15.00 and \$20.00 per annum. The officers of this worthy institution are Messrs. L. L. Treman, president; J. C. Gauntlett, vice-president, and H. L. Hinckley, cashier, and no gentlemen stand higher in the community than they.

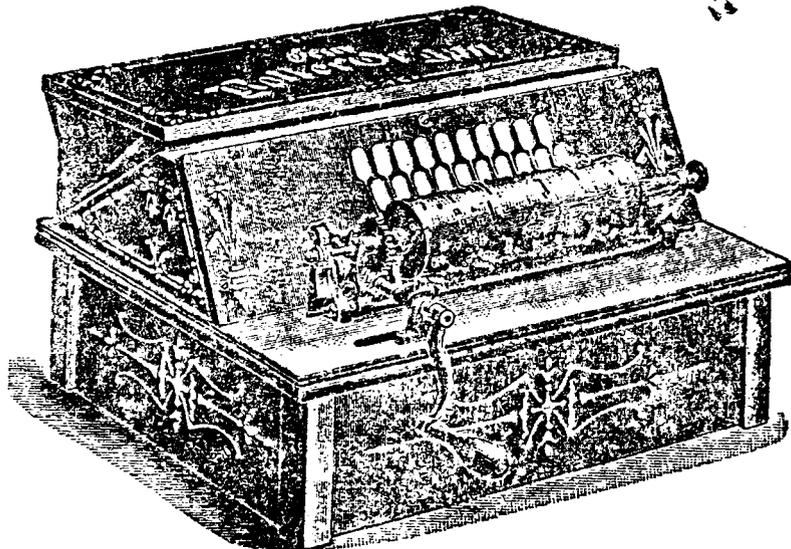
Henry H. Angell, No. 44 E. State street. Mr. Angell established his enterprise in 1888 and enjoys the distinction of being the exclusive mens' hatter and furnisher in the city. The store occupied is 22x70

feet, with basement, and most centrally located. The store-room is a marvel of brilliancy, being filled to repletion with the finest stock of all the latest style hats, including the "Youman," for which Mr. Angell has the exclusive sale in this city, and Gents' Furnishing Goods and Novelties of every description, in both foreign and American styles. In addition, he makes a specialty of his shirt department and guarantees a fit and satisfaction to every customer in this line. Mr. Angell numbers among his patrons the most stylish and neatest dressed gentlemen of the city, and he justly deserves the unqualified success with which he is meeting.

Blackman Bros., Cor. State and Cayuga streets. This is one of the largest and most thoroughly equipped and reliable grocery houses in Ithaca. The premises consist of a store-room 50x70 feet and the stock carried is large, comprehensive and carefully selected, embracing all kinds of family groceries, staple and fancy, of the very best quality. The basement 50x70 feet, part of the second floor, and a warehouse 50x70 feet are used for the storage of surplus stock, and three clerks and two delivery wagons are utilized to supply the wants of their many customers. Their specialty is shipping of Fine Butter, Cheese, and Farm Produce, to southern and eastern states, always having on hand large orders for these goods, which they furnish at the lowest market quotations. The business is of thirty-nine years standing and was bought three years ago by Messrs. J. K. and C. L. Blackman, who by dint of energy, enterprise and strict attention to business have built up the business to its present magnificent proportions.

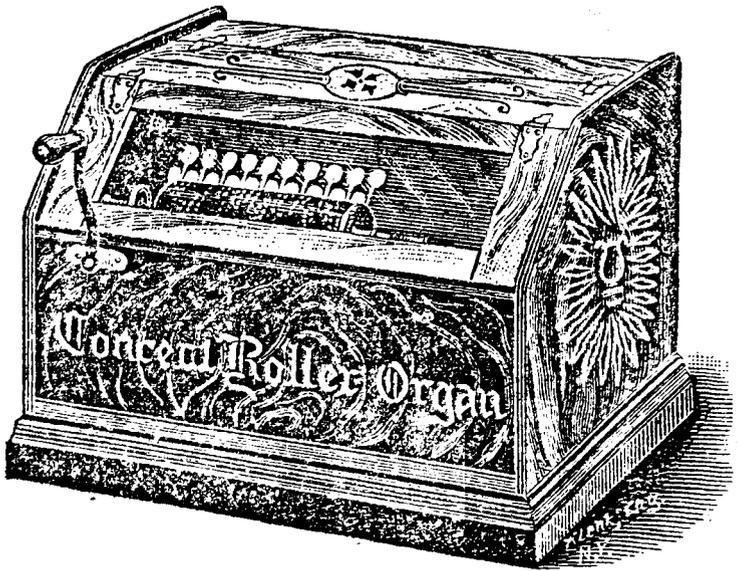
T. J. Stephens, No. 13 Tioga street. Among the skillful Marble and Granite dealers, is Mr. Stephens, who succeeded in 1869 to a business that was established in 1852. His premises consist of a two story display and store room 20x35 feet in size where he shows a large line of Marble and Granite Monumental Work in many beautiful designs and of every description, and a work shop 10x18 feet in size, where the lettering and finishing is done. Mr. Stephens is the largest dealer in his line in the city and as an expert workman and letterer has no equal.

The Autophone Co. Another concern which has gained a world-wide reputation is The Autophone Co., which was established twelve years ago with a capital



stock of \$50,000.00 for the manufacture of these instruments. They are made in two styles, namely: The "Gem Roller Organ" and "Concert Roller Organ." These musical marvels employ no paper but the music

is obtained from a roller furnished with pins similar to those of a music box. All the working parts of the instrument are easy accessible and the whole as durable and well made as the best sewing machine.



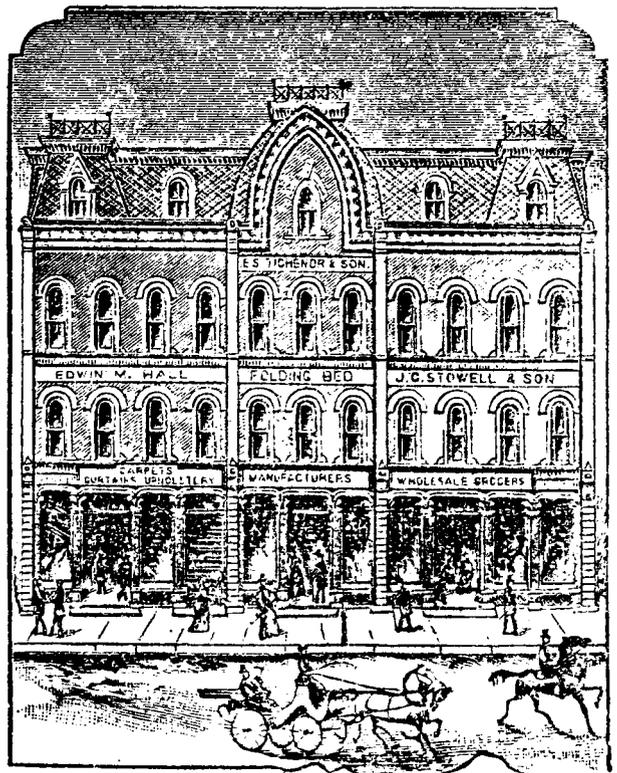
Nothing has been omitted to give this grand instrument its crowning qualities of extreme simplicity and durability. The reeds are of organ size and their volume of tone and full sustaining and carrying powers equal that of a full organ. By the aid of new and automatic machinery they are enabled to produce music rollers in large numbers, so as to furnish them to the public at a price not exceeding the average cost of sheet music. That the Roller Organ is a perfect musical instrument is attested by the fact that the last year's sales reached 14,000 organs and 200,000 music rollers. Nothing could be more desirable than one of these instruments which will produce all the latest music of the day, as well as the costly organ or piano without requiring the skill requisite to the performance on those instruments. They are of remarkable power, sweetness and purity of tone and of substantial construction. The plant consists of three floors 120x200 feet and contains all the intricate machinery and appliances necessary in the construction of these instruments. Forty-five people are employed and the Roller Organ can be found throughout the United States and foreign countries. The officers are Messrs. H. A. St. John, president, and H. M. Hibbard, secretary and treasurer; both gentlemen are pronounced business men, and progressive in every sense of the term.

Drs. F. S. & J. B. Howe, Nos. 1 and 11 Bates Block. The people in the larger cities have no advantage over the residents of Ithaca in access to skilled dentists. The Drs. Howe stand at the head of the profession in this community and occupy an elegant suite of rooms in the Bates Block, which are equipped with all the latest and most modern instruments and appliances. The office was first opened by Dr. F. S. Howe in 1857, who in 1887 admitted his son, J. B., a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, to partnership. In May, 1891, his younger son, Fred. B., who is also a graduate of the same college was admitted. They are among if not the first to adopt remedies for filling teeth without any pain whatever. We were shown the Aluminum Dental Appliance Company's outfit for casting, crowns, bridge and dental plates, partial and complete, with their prepared pure aluminum bases, which combine great stiffness, conductivity, lightness, strength and durability with the most perfect adaptability to the mouth and comfort to the wearer. They are non-oxidizable and entirely free

from any action of the secretions of the mouth and at the same time perfectly compatible to the tissues, so that mouths congested and inflamed by the use of vegetable bases make a speedy and permanent recovery by the use of aluminum bases, which have for the past two years given the most perfect satisfaction. Treating inflamed and diseased conditions of the mouth with crown and bridge work and artificial teeth on any base form the specialties. Vitalized Air or Nitrous Oxide Gas for painless extraction of the teeth, and by their local anæsthetic, a new preparation, make the extracting of teeth perfectly painless. All the gentlemen of this firm are fine operators and deeply versed in the mysteries of dental surgery and mechanical dentistry. Any work intrusted to them cannot fail of satisfaction, as they give patrons the benefit of every known modern improvement to insure first-class work with the least inconvenience to the patient.

J. A. Bidwell, No. 124 W. State street. Visitors to the cemetery in and around Ithaca have often mentioned the extreme beauty of her monuments, much of which is due to the above gentleman, who occupies a workshop 22x50 feet and a display room 22x32 feet in size. Here he shows a fine stock of Marble and Granite Monuments, Headstones, etc. He employs three men including his two sons, who are expert workmen, and have no equals for doing work in elaborate styles and elegant finish. Mr. Bidwell established the business five years ago and numbers his business and personal friends by the hundreds.

Edwin M. Hall, No. 13 W. State street. In every city, in every department of trade among the many successful houses in the various lines of commercial enterprise, however well all may succeed some one will stand out conspicuously as a leader in each especial branch. In the carpet trade of this section the house of E. M. Hall stands pre-eminent. It would be impossible within the limits of a brief sketch like this to enumerate and describe even a portion of the vast,



varied and magnificent stock carried on all seasons. Suffice it to say that everything new, tasteful and useful in Carpets, Draperys, Oil-cloths, Mattings, Anti-Rugs, Curtains, Upholstery, etc., can be found here.

infinite variety, quantity, quality, style and price. The premises consist of one floor where the immense stock is displayed attractively and invitingly and a basement where the complete stock is carried, each being 24 x 130 feet in dimensions, well lighted and arranged with all the necessary conveniences. Mr. Hall, the proprietor, was for twenty years a member of the firm of Marsh & Hall, and when they retired from business two years ago he established his present enterprise, and he is a gentleman of pronounced business ability and of courteous and affable manners.

J. L. Watkins, No. 92 S. Cayuga street. Every vehicle completed at this establishment is sustaining the reputation of it for doing the best work of this class. Mr. Watkins is a heavy manufacturer of Busses, Cabs, Peddling, Advertising and Business Wagons, which find a ready market principally in the west on account of their finish, neatness and durability. The factory numbers absolutely every facility and convenience known to the business. It is a large three story structure 40x75 feet in size, with blacksmith shop 40x40 feet, and eight journeymen are employed the year round. The extreme care which is exercised in the manufacture of every part is unknown in any other shop. Second-hand Wagons, Buggies, etc., are bought and sold, and repairing of all kinds is neatly and promptly attended to. The business was established as far back as 1829. After several changes Mr. Watkins took charge in 1882. In this line of business he has no equal in knowledge and experience.

J. B. Storms, No. 21 E. Green Street. Much of the beauty of the cemeteries in and around Ithaca is due to the artistic skill of Mr. Storms, who has been engaged in his present business for the past five years, when he became the successor to Beers & Goodrich. He occupies an establishment with over sixty feet frontage and about 300 feet deep, on which are erected the shop and sheds 21 x 50 feet, display and finishing rooms 21 x 50 feet, where several artisans are employed. Here are displayed many specimens of his work in foreign and native granite and marble and he is prepared to do cemetery work of every description, furnishing special designs if desired.

Dudley F. Finch, No. 60 E. State street. The establishment of the above gentleman was inaugurated by him in 1871. He has met with a success that bespeaks in the most flattering terms of his future prosperity and the high estimation in which he is held by the trade generally. He is finely located at No. 60 East State street, occupying the ground floor and basement, each 30 x 60 feet in size and which is filled to repletion with a large, comprehensive and carefully selected stock of Books and Stationery, Periodicals and the finest assortment of Wall Paper and decorations in the city. Two clerks are employed and Mr. Finch is a gentleman eminently worthy of the confidence and patronage of the public.

Hawkins & Todd, No. 22 E. State Street. A tour of inspection through the different departments of this house will convince the most skeptical that none carry a finer assortment nor a more complete variety of British, French, German and American Staple and Fancy Dry Goods. The well-lighted store, which is 25 x 100 feet in size, with its attractive display of

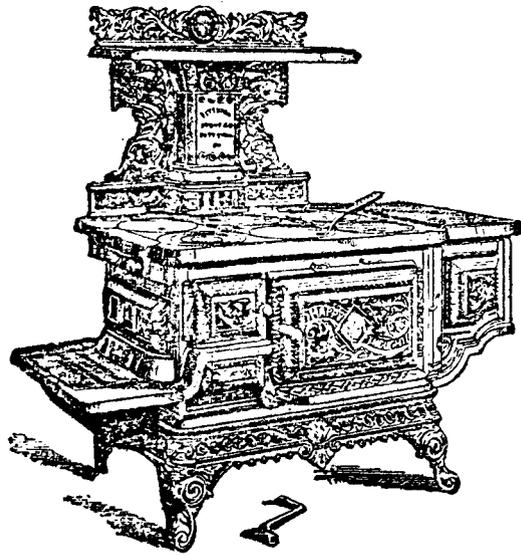
fancy goods, form one of the attractions of State street. The leading feature of the house is their superb and elegant line of Laces, Silks and Dress Goods of the very best grades and latest novelties. Six polite and attentive clerks are employed and the best trade of the city and surrounding country is enjoyed. The business was established in 1861 and Mr. N. S. Hawkins, the senior member, has been connected with it since that time. In 1884 Mr. L. G. Todd was admitted and the firm assumed its present name. Both gentlemen are of pronounced business ability, of affable and courteous manners, which is attested by the many hundreds that daily throng their commodious store.

George Small, Cor. Tioga and Green streets. The lumber trade of Ithaca is one that has developed into very extensive proportions. Among the largest operators in this line is Mr. Small, who succeeded to an old established business in 1876. He conducts two lines of enterprise, operating a large planing mill as well as being a heavy lumber dealer. The mill is a large three story brick structure, 48x63 feet in size, equipped in a thorough manner with all the mechanical contrivances and machinery designed for this purpose. The main yard occupies ground space of 100x200 feet and the other yard 132x160 feet, where can be found in stock immense shipments of building lumber of every description and for every purpose. About 1,500,000 feet of lumber is always ready to be manufactured or shipped, and employment is given to twenty men and four teams. Doors, Sash, Blinds, Mouldings, Castings, Ceilings, Floorings, constitute the principal products of the mill, which has a capacity equal to any demand made upon it. The trade extends throughout this city and surrounding country. Mr. Small is a genial, affable gentleman and always makes it pleasant and agreeable for his many patrons, and for all who may favor his establishment with a visit.

Enz & Miller, No. 13 N. Tioga street. Ever since its inception the business of this concern has been most successful and has steadily increased and extended until to-day it stands at the head of all similar concerns in this section. The premises occupied consists of four floors and two basements, each 24 x 85 feet, which are equipped with every facility for handling goods quickly and economically. The stock comprises everything in the way of Printing, Writing, Wrapping Papers, Stationery in an infinite variety, School Books, Book-keepers' Supplies, etc. Upward of five people are employed in the stock and salesroom, in addition to two traveling men. An exclusively wholesale trade is transacted which extends into all parts of Central New York and Northern Pennsylvania and is continually increasing and expanding, owing to the fact that the firm furnish paper at mill prices, having direct connection with some of the largest manufacturers in the country. In connection with this business they also operate an extensive paper mill for the manufacture of Straw and Rag Wrapping paper. The mill is thoroughly equipped with a full line of machinery run by water power, gives employment to twenty people and has a capacity of from three to four tons per day. The buildings cover about a half-acre of ground and the products find a ready market, owing to their superior finish and excellent quality. The members of the firm are Messrs. F. J. Enz and T. G. Miller, gentlemen too

well known commercially and socially to need any commendation at our hands. They established the business in 1878 and to-day it is one of the most important enterprises connected with this community.

C. J. Rumsey & Co., No. 68 E. State street. Ranking among the foremost mercantile establishments of this section, stands the favorite Hardware and Stove



house of the above firm, which is entitled by its magnitude and the great part it has played in the commercial progress of the city, to a prominent place in this volume. In 1879 C. J. Rumsey and Edwin Gillette succeeded to the business which was established by the brother of Mr. Rumsey over forty years ago. The premises consist of four floors and base-

ment 22x120 feet in size, and a floor in the next building 20x40 feet, which is used for storing purposes. The stock carried embraces anything and everything pertaining to General Hardware, Small Farm Implements, House Furnishing Goods, Bar Iron and Steel, etc. Many specialties are handled by this firm including the "Alaska" Refrigerator, "Hazard" Powder, "Carton" Furnaces, "Happy Though" Stoves and Ranges of which they have placed over 2,000, and the "Splendid" Parlor Stoves, of which over 1,000 have been sold. The trade of the house is very extensive within a radius of twenty miles and the firm is noted as one of the most evenly balanced and successful in the city.

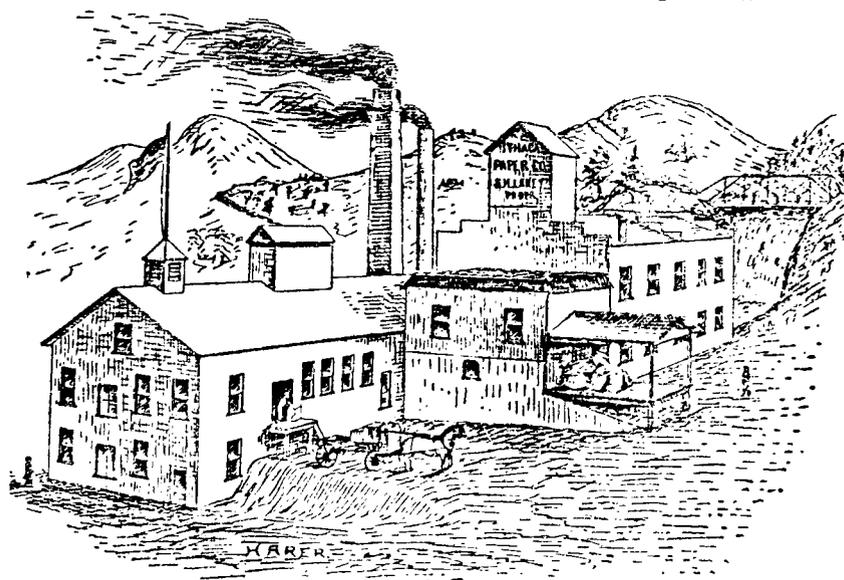
C. R. Sherwood, No. 47 E. State street. Along the entire length of State street, lined as it is with splendid stores, there is none more attractive than that of Mr. Sherwood, importing retailer of men's furnishing goods. The store is 20x100 feet in dimensions is well lighted and ventilated and attractively fitted up for displaying his immense stock of Gents' Furnishing Goods and novelties generally. Being a direct importer he is enabled to place the latest fashions and novelties before his customers almost as soon as they appear in the market. Another specialty of this gentleman is making Fine Shirts to order, guaranteeing satisfaction in every case. He utilizes the upper floor for this department and fifteen hands, including artistic cutters are employed. In the store he employs three clerks and two traveling men. He established his present enterprise in 1868 and his business has undergone a healthy increase in growth ever since, and to-day extends throughout this and adjoining states.

Chas. S. Seaman, Nos. 14 and 16 W. State street. Ithaca can boast of several enterprises which for completeness in all respects will bear comparison with any in the country. A prominent illustration of this fact is to be seen in the stables of Mr. Seaman. He occupies a commodious two story building 78x132 feet in size, the interior of which is as perfectly arranged, as long acquaintance with the needs of the animals and the other details of the business can make

it. Twenty head of driving horses, nine hacks and a full line of surreys, buggies, phaetons, etc., can here be found. Five men who are accustomed to the business are employed and particular attention is paid to weddings, funerals and parties, and a general livery and boarding business is transacted. The business was originally conducted by the father of Mr. Seaman for some twenty years and after several changes, he assumed sole control, two years ago. He is a well-known and highly esteemed citizen and all transactions with him are universally satisfactory.

Holmes Hollister, No. 24 S. Aurora street. Among the several flourishing concerns of this kind in Ithaca, without doubt one of the most prominent, is that of the above gentleman, who in 1874 was admitted to partnership in the business established by his father in 1859. At the death of his father in 1889 he became sole proprietor, and his volume of trade to-day is very extensive in this city and surrounding country. He is a wholesale and retail dealer in all kinds of Lumber, Laths and Shingles, and manufactures Doors, Sash, Blinds, Mouldings, Casings, Flooring, etc. He carries on hand at all times about 1,000,000 feet of lumber and his yard, mills, sheds, etc., cover about nine acres. The mill is two stories high, 40x105 feet in dimensions, thoroughly equipped with a full line of wood-working machinery and twelve men and two teams are employed in the different departments. Mr. Hollister enjoys a high commercial and social standing in the community.

Ithaca Paper Co., Manufacturers of Paper, Office and Salesroom, Corner Market and William streets, Elmira, N. Y. It is now three years since Mr. S. H. Laney assumed control of this mill, which was established many years ago, and to-day we find the plant provided with a perfect equipment of modern machinery and appliances designed for this line of manufacture, and driven by ample water power. The buildings are two and three story structures, covering about one acre of ground and employment is furnished to thirty-three people. The line of manufacture consists of superior grades of Manilla, Rag Wrapping and Print Paper, all of which is manufactured entirely of rag stock and more suitable to all purposes than the common grade, made out of wood or straw pulp. Here is made the celebrated "Ithaca Gray Rag" which



finds a ready market in all parts of the U. S. owing to its toughness and superiority over all others. Thousands of "Gray Rag" is the daily out-put, and demand is so great throughout the country for

paper, that it has necessitated the running of the mill day and night, and it is universally acknowledged to be the best paper on the market. Special sizes and kinds of paper are made to order and the capacity of the mills is about eight tons per day. The grade of paper manufactured by Mr. Laney for paper bags is equal to any and excelled by none. Through brilliant management and strict attention to business on the part of the proprietor, this concern and its products have reached their present immense proportions. Mr. Laney also operates a large establishment in Elmira, where he manufactures tinware and buys for cash all the rag paper stock and other material used in the manufacture of paper also rubber, bone, metal, old iron, etc. He employs upward of 100 hands and is a punctual, practical, business man, with whom it is a pleasure to do business.

Ithaca Savings Bank. Under a safe, conservative and wise management this institution has attained a foremost position among the prominent savings banks of the country. The bank receives deposits which are invested in real estate, first-class mortgages, government, state and city bonds, constituting a security absolutely safe. At the date of its last statement its deposits were \$809,000, surplus \$109,000 and number of depositors 4,046. It was incorporated under the state laws in 1868 and its present officers are Roger B. Williams, president, and Wm. J. Storms, treasurer, while the directors number many of Ithaca's most prominent and wealthy citizens. The bank has just completed a massive four-story structure of architectural beauty and an ornament to the city at a cost of \$70,000.00 in which they will occupy handsome quarters. The banking room will be twenty-eight feet square and the trustees room 15 x 20 feet in size, all of which will be elegantly furnished and equipped with a massive Herring fire-proof vault, containing a large burglar-proof safe and many other conveniences.

E. W. Wolcott, No. 3 W. State street. Mention of the business interests of Ithaca would be incomplete without touching on that of furniture, of which Mr. E. W. Wolcott on West State street, is probably the best known. He is sole proprietor of the business he established February 1st, since which time he has experienced great prosperity and built up the handsome trade he now enjoys. His place consists of four floors, 25x80 feet, which are devoted to furniture, and it is the boast of Ithaca people that they can get identically the same styles and qualities in all kinds of furniture at much lower prices here than in the larger cities. Mr. Wolcott takes a pride in carrying the modern and attractive things, and his store is thoroughly stocked with Parlor and Chamber Suits, Fancy Chairs of all descriptions, Stands, Easels, Sideboards, Springs and Mattresses, Extension and Centre Tables, together with a fine line of Baby Carriages, etc. He employs three people and repairing and upholstering is done on short notice and reasonable terms. No one stands higher as a business man and gentleman than Mr. E. W. Wolcott.

C. B. Brown, No. 34 E. State Street. The chaste and elaborate productions so brilliantly displayed in this, one of the largest jewelry stores in the city, are in striking contrast with the clumsy efforts of olden times. Mr. Brown established this business in 1870

and each year has seen it increased and enlarged. The interior is very attractive and the stock is complete in Gold and Silver Watches, Silverware, Umbrellas and Canes, Fine Fishing Tackle and a thousand and one things in the way of jewelry. He is agent for and makes a specialty of the "Rockford" and "Boree & Courvoisier" Watches. The specialty of the house is Diamonds and Precious Stones, a large stock of which is carried. Three polite clerks are employed and Mr. Brown is an expert repairer and has a fine knowledge of the business in general.

Perry & Co., Sage Building. We are safe in asserting that nowhere can there be found a finer stock of Clothing and Furnishing Goods than that of Perry & Co. in this city. This house is not one of the mushroom concerns which spring up in an hour to perish almost immediately. Established in 1885 its name has been a synonym of high character, fine business talent and careful attention paid to the wants of patrons. Whatever is best in the market in the way of Boys', Youth's and Men's Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Shirts, etc., which are imported directly from first hands and of the latest styles and patterns, is always to be found at this place. The storeroom is a large and commodious one and employment is furnished to two polite clerks. Mr. O. A. Perry, the proprietor, will be found honorable in all his dealings and his house has prospered as it deserves to prosper.

P. Stephens, No. 8 E. State street. The people of Ithaca are to be congratulated on being possessed of one of the best regulated meat markets in western New York. Mr. Stephens is an experienced butcher and also possesses a rare skill in the preparation of the different kinds of Sausages, and has his place of business fitted up with steam and other facilities for their manufacture. His storeroom is 25x100 feet, neatly arranged and equipped with a refrigerator for the preservation of his products. He also occupies the second and third floors for storage purposes, Lard Rendering, and does quite a wholesale shipping business in Pork and Lard. His slaughter house is located on the out-skirts of the city and he kills weekly from three to four head of cattle. Mr. Stephens enjoys a large trade in all kinds of Fresh and Salt Meats, and employs four men and one team. He established his business in 1842 and is a straight forward business man with many friends.



G. W. Frost, corner State and Aurora Streets. This city is well supplied with many large, first-class grocery stores; among which must be classed in the foremost rank that of Mr. G. W. Frost, who has been in the grocery business at the present location for the past twenty-four years. He occupies two floors, the dimensions of the same being 35 x 50 feet. The upper floor is utilized for storage purposes, while the storeroom contains a fresh and complete stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries, Sugars, Coffees, Teas, Provisions, Flour, American luxuries, Canned and Shelf Goods, in short everything usually found in an establishment of this kind, of the best quality, fresh, pure and wholesome. Mr. Frost employs four clerks and two teams and gives every detail of the business his personal attention.