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BLOOMINGTON—And some of its Business Interests.

One may travel far and wide throughout the State of Indiana before finding another town, village or city, that approximates to Bloomington in point of beauty of location, of natural resources, of educational interests, of morality, or of general trade. This is not merely our own observation, but the unanimous opinion rendered by those who are at all conversant with the city and its varied interests, and who have had occasion to contrast it with other towns in the State.

The city, county-seat of Monroe county, contains a population of about 3000, which, in point of morality and intelligence may be considered far above the average. The city is located upon elevated ground, above the general level, and, in consequence, has excellent drainage in all directions. It is laid out with regularity, the streets crossing each other at right angles, and with the cardinal points of the compass—are broad, more or less provided with shade trees, sidewalks, etc. The principal streets are being Macadamized as rapidly as possible, and other improvements of a public nature are either under way, or in contemplation.

The central part of town—so far as business is concerned—is the public square, in the center of which is a Court House, not specially noteworthy, and which will soon give place to a more sightly edifice. Upon the four sides of this square the principal mercantile interests of the city cluster. Most of the business blocks are attractive two and three story brick structures. Upon the south side especially, are some very fine blocks, which would reflect credit upon cities twice the size of this.

Scattered throughout town are many elegant private residences, and pretty grounds, and a stroll or drive through the streets necessarily impresses anyone favorably as to the general character of the place and its citizens.

The L. N. A. & C. Railway divides the city into two unequal portions, the principal part of town being east of the road. Upon the east also, (with two exceptions,) are the churches and other public buildings, such as the Academy, or High School, the Court House, Jail, University and most of the manufacturing interests.

Bloomington derives its support from a very wealthy country surrounding it. Beside a productive soil there are countless quantities of timber, suitable for manufacturing purpose, within close proximity, and this is the natural depot for their sale, manufacture or shipment. A large area of country is tributary to the city in many ways, and the development of Bloomington thus far has been upon a sound, not speculative basis.

Aside from the resources of the surrounding country, Bloomington has had within itself, for years, a source of growth, humanizing, elevating in its nature—its school system. Beside the public schools (we mean those graded below the Normal) the presence of the State University here has been productive of incalculable good, attracting hitherward the best elements of society, and surrounding young and old with an air of refinement. The city is provided with unusually good public schools, and when the new High School building is completed, (as it will be in the Spring,) there will be little to be wished for in these respects.

As we have said, Bloomington boasts possession of the State University, the leading scholastic institute of the State, which is supported by the State, and in which tuition is free. Its corps of Professors embraces the names of men who stand upon the same intellectual plane with the most gifted minds of Harvard or of Yale—its Alumni embraces a long roll of intellectual men who have proved giants among their fellows, and the institute has conferred a world-wide name upon our unpretending little city. At home its presence has been no less beneficial. It has caused vice and immorality to hide themselves. It has educated our people, whether students or no, and it is the leading attraction—the one above all others constituting Bloomington a desirable point of location. We can not urge these educational advantages too strongly. These institutes of learning emanate from the people for the people—the rich, the poor, the learned, the unlearned are all at liberty to drink at the Pierrian springs, whose waters flow in such profusion, and we say it, not boastingly, that Bloomington offers better educational advantages than any other town in the State.

Walking hand in hand with the schools, are our church organizations, inculcating lessons of morality and of usefulness. Of societies and houses of worship there are Presbyterian, United Presbyterian, Christian, Methodist, Colored Methodist, Catholic and Baptist, and about a half a mile from town the Scotch Covenanters have a house of worship. The Episcopalians are just organizing a society, and will doubtless soon take steps looking to the erection of a church. Most of the churches are of a superior order, especially this being the case with the two Presbyterian.

Of material advantages, our Railroad interests must not be lost sight of. Now we are dependent upon the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago road. Another railway, the Cincinnati & Terre Haute road, (of which we present a map this week,) will soon be added to the list. The probabilities are that the road will diverge at this point, one arm going to Terre Haute, the other to St. Louis. Of course this will add greatly to the benefits Bloomington will derive from the completion of the road. It will open up to us the coal and iron interests of the State; it will give us egress in numberless directions, and will make Bloomington one of the most important railway centers of the State, with direct connection with the four largest Western Cities, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Louisville and Chicago, and with the complicated net work of railways which radiate from them. The road is certain to be built, and it is equally certain that this will be the point of junction with the L. N. A. & C. Road. The effects are easily appreciable and do not require dilating upon.

We now come to a consideration of the most prominent manufacturing and mercantile interests of Bloomington. In speaking of them we shall aim to do so in an impartial, unbiased, and yet personal manner. First we invite attention to the large tanning business of

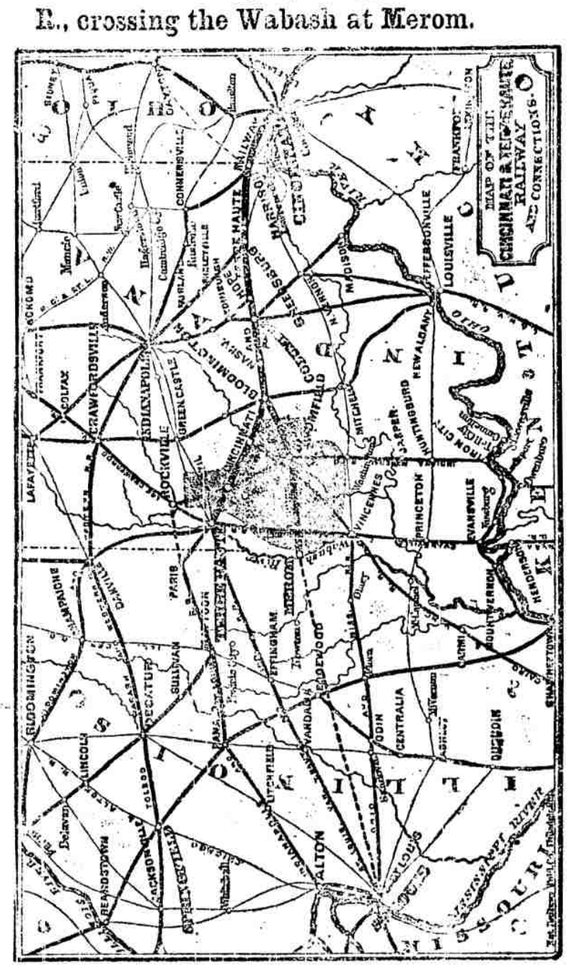
JOHN WALDRON.

This is a concern of no little importance, and is second to but very few in the State. The buildings are of brick, conveniently located near the Depot. The main building is 25 by 132 feet, the front 72 feet being three stories high, the remainder two. There is also a bark shed 70 by 80 feet, and a livery house. In the business, from 18 to 20 men are employed. Steam is used to perform every operation for which it is available, and all of the arrangements are upon the most approved plan. From 600 to 700 cords of bark are yearly used, all of which is obtained from the northern part of this county. On average there are constantly on hand 10,000 hides and calf skins. He also buys large quantities of the finest Oak and Hemlock leather, which he keeps constantly on hand. He also buys large quantities of

Map of the

CIN. & TERRE HAUTE R. R.,

Showing its Connections, the Coal and Iron Fields: also the proposed Cin. & St. Louis R. R., crossing the Wabash at Merom.



1856, coming at that time from St. Louis. A. M. Judy was then carrying on a small tannery here, and Mr. Waldron bought him out. His own capital was limited at that time, and the present large business has been built up solely by his own exertions. From time to time he has enlarged and remodeled the works, and there is not now a vestige of the old concern. Though doing a prosperous business, Mr. W. is not ashamed to work, and daily superintends the details of affairs.

HOLTZMAN & SON

Operate the Woolen Mill. With their business as with many another here, time has worked wonderful changes. Mr. A. Holtzman came here 27 years ago from Virginia. He was accompanied by his wife and six children, and possessed of the munificent fortune of 55 cents. It was a desperate state of affairs, but the wife and little ones were to be fed and clothed, and he manfully went to work at one dollar per day, working at anything his hands found to do. Finally he was enabled to buy out a small carding establishment here, and then made carpets, and carded wool for the country people. Twelve years ago he purchased the requisite machinery and commenced manufacturing goods. The firm now operates a 2-sett mill, running 300 spindles. From a little shed, the works have grown to be 32 by 105 feet, 2 stories, besides the shed, which is 32 by 50 feet. About 30,000 or 40,000 lbs. of wool are yearly manufactured, beside working about 1,000 lbs. for custom work. The mill employs from nine to twelve persons. Jeans, flannels, blankets and yarns are the chief productions, the bulk of which are shipped to Chicago, where they always find a ready market. J. T. Holtzman has been one of the firm for 12 years. He has grown up in the business, however, and is complete master of it, while his father has had fifty years experience.

GEORGE BOLLENBACHER

Is another of our manufacturers—one of those "live," thorough-going business men, whom it is a real pleasure to meet. In 1846 he came to Bloomington, and commenced work as a journeyman shoemaker, remaining in that capacity about eighteen months. Having accumulated the moderate capital of $100.00, he set up shop for himself doing most of the work with his own hands, but now and then employing a "journeyman," as business increased, and finally, twelve or fourteen years ago he established a small tannery, carrying on his shop in the meantime. In the tannery everything progressed satisfactorily—he was compelled to enlarge from time to time, and now has 45 vats, and tans about 1,200 hides per annum. Not satisfied with all this business on his hands, in April, 1870, he established a large boot and shoe store, in the store room next the Post Office—having one of the largest and best stocks to be found in this portion of the State. We are of the opinion that the original $100.00 with which Mr. B. commenced trade has been used to good advantage, and we congratulate him upon his success, believing it to have been achieved by persistent, honorable effort.

Passing from a consideration of the Manufacturing to the Banking, and leading Mercantile Interests of the city, we allude to the

FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

An establishment which has but just entered upon its career—a career that gives every promise of being gratifying in the highest degree. The First National organized in September last. The capital is $100,000. Its stockholders are all men of abundant means, living in this immediate vicinity, and none of them coming under the class flattering to "borrowers." The officers of the Bank are: Judge George A. Buskirk, President; Robert C. Foster, Cashier. Prior to the organization of the First National, Judge Buskirk was with J. S. Smith Hunter, engaged in the Banking business, under the firm name of Buskirk & Hunter. That concern was incorporated into this. The business of the Bank is in a satisfactory shape. Already its deposits are about $50,000, and will doubtless soon reach $100,000, while its loans and discounts, already heavy, will approximate $125,000. It is provided with a neat Banking Office, corner of College Avenue and Fifth Street. Judge Buskirk, the President, is a native of this place, and a lawyer by profession. From 1856 to 1861, he was Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, and since 1865 has been engaged in Banking. In 1868 he was elected to the Legislature, serving two sessions, and was Speaker of the House for one session, the second. Mr. Foster, the Cashier, is originally from Philadelphia. He was educated here and adopted law as his profession. For years he has served the people in the capacity of County Auditor, and for four years as County Clerk. For a short time he was also engaged in mercantile operations. Both gentlemen are well fitted for their post of trust and honor. They have long enjoyed the confidence of the whole people, and under their management the First National is sure to prosper.

JOSEPH M. HOWE,

Occupies the commodious and tastefully decorated, and lighted plated or upright carved cases, each reflecting back the glitter and beauty of its possession. Everything in the jewelry, silverware, clock, watch, or toy line—articles of *vertu* or of use, that the mind of man or the soul of woman longeth after, is here in profusion. Mr. Smith owes his success to various causes—not the least being the invariable *bon hommie* that has always characterized him, and "Tobe" Smith and geniality are synonymous terms.

W. O. FEE

Is another old resident of Bloomington and vicinity. Forty years ago he had removed here from South Carolina—for five years thereafter being on a farm. He then sold goods here as a clerk a couple or three years, and from 1839 until '43 was in trade at Morgantown. Since 1844 or '45 he has been actively engaged in business here, alone, with the exception of four years. Now-a-days if a young man commences trade he must have a capital of several thousand dollars, and the chances are that he will fail within five years. It was not so thirty or forty years ago. Mr. Fee commenced business on the princely capital of $100. He had no "great expectations" to look forward to, but was compelled to rely upon his own energy, economy and business foresight to succeed. That he has not labored in vain is self evident. He has had an active life, but it is not stained by a dishonorable action—he has relied upon himself, and the honor should be his. His example may be profitably studied by some of the young men of to-day.

McCALLA & CO.,

As a firm and as individuals, need no commendation at our hands, and yet we desire to speak of them in brief. Their line of trade is dry goods and general merchandise, and the firm has been in operation eight years. John McCalla is an old resident. In 1835 he came here from South Carolina. Remaining on a farm until '37, in partnership with his brother, commenced business. In 1852 they removed to Chicago, remaining there until '57 or '58, then being out of trade until this firm was formed. Milton Hight, the "Co." of the firm, is a native of this vicinity. His father, Jno. Hight, who is still living, having come here in 1818. Farming was his occupation until 25 years of age. Then he engaged in the livery business for 7 years. For 5 or 6 years he done nothing specially, 8 years ago forming the present partnership. The firm comprises two men well known for their energy and high toned business principles, and by years of daily intercourse with our people, they have not only deserved but gained universal confidence. No house in town is better prepared to supply the wants of customers, and none are more worthy a generous patronage.

PEARSON & CO.,

Dealers in general merchandise, are doing a thriving business on the north side of the square, and we interview Mr. P., finding him as pleasant a gentleman as we have met in the city. He has been in business here about eight years, coming from Springville, in Lawrence county, where for some time he was engaged in the same trade. He is yet a young man, and has shown a business aptitude that marks him master of the mysteries of mercantile transactions. Though competition has been quite active, Pearson & Co. have always had their share of trade. They have aimed to meet the wants of the people, and to sell goods at such figures as would afford a reasonable profit only.

W. F. REED,

The popular Harness and Saddle manufacturer, upon the north side of the square, next passes in review. Mr. Reed has resided and been in business here for the past seven years, coming from Brown county, though originally from Ohio. Since coming here Mr. Reed has had a trade considerably beyond his expectations, but one that has been merited by the superior character of work turned out. He generally employs three workmen, and having had active experience in the business since 1840, is certainly competent to carry it on. He has aimed, since coming here, to turn out none but the best of work at the lowest possible rates, and by so doing has ingratiated himself into the good graces of all his customers. As a business man he is active, energetic and reliable, and it affords us pleasure to speak of him.

PERING BROS.

Is the style of one of our leading Boot and Shoe houses, one that has commanded the confidence of the people and been the recipient of a large trade ever since it was established, some 18 months ago. The firm comprises T. C. & S. J. Pering. Before starting business here the same firm had been carrying on business at Litchfield, Ill., for a couple of years. Both gentlemen are natives of this vicinity and were raised here. For six years T. C. Pering has been connected with the Express Co. here, and for the past year has been Agent of the Adams Express Company at this point, discharging his duties in such a way as to give universal satisfaction. Both gentlemen are young men, and are determined to make their business a success. To that end they leave no stone unturned, and we are gratified to know that their business thus far this season has been better than ever before. We hope it will continue increasing, and believe that Messrs. Pering Brothers will succeed in making theirs one of the leading establishments of the kind in this section of the State.

J. W. SHOEMAKER & CO.

Take their place in this review, as one of our most prominent firms—the leading one in the drug trade. Beside Mr. Shoemaker, the firm comprises Thos. Fullerton. Mr. Shoemaker came here from Laporte, in 1866. Forming partnership with J. J. Durand, they at once entered upon a career that has been full of success. Since then there has been one or two changes in the firm, the present one being formed two years ago. The first year's business of Shoemaker & Durand amounted to $5,000—the last year's business of Shoemaker & Co. reached the gratifying total of $26,000. We doubt if there is another house in Bloomington that can show such an increase. It is easily accounted for, however. Everything in their line is kept in stock, an accomplished pharmacist attends to the business, and the gentlemen themselves are general favorites. Mr. Fullerton is an old resident of this vicinity—a farmer by profession, and the active management of the business of the firm falls upon friend Shoemaker—his shoulders are broad, however, and equal to the task. They have one of the handsomest store rooms in town—on the south side of the square. The main room is 80 by 25 feet, with wareroom in the rear 18 by 25, and yet they are crowded. An infinite variety of drugs, paints, oils, medicines, toilet articles, books, holiday goods, &c., attract the eye of the visitor, and the effect is pleasing. Much of the success which the Union Drug Store has attained, can be justly attributed to Capt. Shoemaker's faith in advertising, which is in fact, the surest and shortest road to publicity and a consequent increased patronage.

CHASE & CO.

Are among our leading boot and shoe dealers. The firm comprises two brothers—L. H. and G. M. Chase. They are New Yorkers by birth and education, and have been in Indiana for the past 16 years, L. H. Chase coming here and entering general merchandise, G. M. Chase being connected with railroads, as Station Agent at various points, and for some time in that capacity here, also being City Engineer. Their copartnership was formed eleven years ago. At the outset, their stock and trade, compared with the present, was quite small, and they have had innumerable difficulties to contend with—but despite all obstacles, trade has increased from $4 000 (the first year's sales) to $25,000. Beside their large retail trade, they also do a considerable jobbing business. They occupy two floors of a building 20 by 95 feet on the west side of the square, and are in a condition to extend operations considerably. Both gentlemen are young men—they have demonstrated that they possess not only able business capacity, but are of that genial nature which makes and retains friends. [illegible] ness capacity, has made them hosts of friends, and it affords us pleasure to thus outline their career—one which has not only reflected honor upon themselves, but upon the community as well.

STUART & McPHEETERS

Are the only exclusive dealers in hardware, in the city. Wm. Stuart has resided here since 1863, coming from Salem, this State, where for a number of years he had been engaged in trade. Moving his stock here, he formed partnership with Mr. Manley. In '66 the firm became Stuart & Co., and in February last, the present firm was formed. Chas. H. McPheeters was born and raised here, and is a son-in-law of Mr. Stuart. He has had extended experience as a salesman, and for one year was a partner of Mr. Small, in the hardware trade. Their store room, on the west side of the square, is 18 by 85 feet, also using half of the second floor. Beside hardware, they are extensive dealers in agricultural implements. No house in town has commanded the confidence of the community to a greater extent than this. From the time Mr. Stuart first came to Bloomington, to the present day, he has been characterized as an honorable, straightforward, public-spirited man, and the same is true of his partner.

M. L. McCOLLOUGH

Is one of our leading Druggists, and his is now the oldest established Drug house here, dating from '46. He is a native of Bloomington, and his business career commenced in 1858, he at that time going into partnership with his brother, J. O. McC., who had been carrying on the business for some time. This partnership continued until dissolved by his brother's death, in October, 1870, since when he has been alone. Mr. McC. is one of our most thorough going and reliable business men—making few changes—indeed he has occupied his present quarters for the past ten years. He is an accomplished druggist—has had years of experience, and commands not only the esteem but confidence of the entire community. In his business he carries a large and general stock, and his store is well styled "Headquarters for Pure Drugs." Good natured and energetic Mr. McC. has made hosts of friends. With nothing in the past to regret, he has much to hope from the future.

LEVI TANNENBAUM

Sits for a brief photograph. Mr. T. has a large and varied stock, comprising dry goods and clothing, gents' furnishing goods, boots, shoes, hats, caps, trunks, valises, musical instruments, &c., enough to keep one man busy in remembering the different kinds of articles on sale. He is a native of Germany, and came to Bloomington thirteen years ago. For five years he was with Kahn Brothers, and then for four years one of the firm of Kahn Bros. & Co. Since then he has been alone. He has become one of our most popular merchants, and has built up his trade until it is second to no house of the kind here. There isn't a better natured man in town than friend Levi—he has always a smile and pleasant word for everybody, and we mention him with pleasure.

J. W. DAVIS

Has experienced some of the ups and downs of life, and yet to-day finds him one of the best natured, most persevering of men. Twenty-four years ago he came here from Philadelphia. He was without capital, and commenced work as a tailor. By persevering industry he accumulated some means, got fairly upon his feet, and then, by a combination of causes, failed. This occurred again and still again, cleaning him out each time. Friends were always ready to assist however, and now he is again on his feet doing a nice business. With the exception of seven years, passed as a farmer, Mr. Davis has followed his present business all the time. He has been unfortunate, but never discouraged, and now the future looks as fair as one could wish. He carries a fine stock of goods, has the reputation of doing the best of work, and is prospering. Success to him, say we. We admire his pluck, and believe it will win.

J. J. GREEVES & SON,

Dealers in general groceries and provisions, are next upon our list. Mr. Greeves located here in 1838, coming from Maryland, and is now one of our oldest citizens. He learned the carpenter and joiners' trade with Hardesty & Graham, and for thirty years carried on that business. In 1868 he bought a half interest in J. Misener's grocery, and two years ago purchased the entire interest, his son, R. C. Greeves, then entering the firm. He (R. C. G.) is a physician by profession, a graduate of the New York Medical College, and has practiced here and elsewhere more or less of the time since. For five years he was engaged in mercantile operations at Bloomfield. Both father and son are well known to the entire community. Mr. Greeves, Sr., commenced business with no capital but his hands, and a determination to succeed, and he has no reason to be ashamed of the past. The firm is doing a large business, of which they are in every way worthy.

HOOVER & FISH

Are Carriage makers, and they attend to the needs of the people so well that there is no room for competition. The co-partnership was formed only three years ago, though their interests have been more or less identified for many years. A. J. Hoover, the senior member, came here in '52, from Kentucky, and has been in business ever since. For a time he made quite a speciality of wagons, but now the firm do nothing in that line. D. W. Fish came from Ohio in the same year. He also was engaged in the same business, both doing work in a limited way, but since the consolidation, affairs have assumed a different aspect. They now annually turn out from 20 to 30 jobs, ranging in price from $160 to $400, beside doing a large amount of repairing. To the shops Mr. H. gives his personal supervision. The repository and finishing rooms are on the north-west corner of the square, occupying all but one room of a three-story brick 30x60 feet. Mr. Fish has charge of this department. The firm have been scrupulously careful to use none but the best material, to employ none but the best workmen, and to turn out none but the best of work, and they are crowded to fill orders. This fall they had no work on hand unsold. They can, and do just as good work as is made in Indianapolis, and at much less prices, and receive as they ought, a good patronage.

J. F. FEE

Is one of our popular grocery and provision dealers. He was born and raised within sight of Bloomington, and his early life was passed upon a farm. In 1861, when the first call for volunteers was made, he entered the first company formed in the county, remaining as a private with his regiment, the 14th, until discharged. He re-enlisted in the 31st as a private, was soon after promoted to sergeant, then to 2d lieutenant, and then 1st lieutenant, being mustered out in 1866. In September of the same year, he commenced business here, and has been in it ever since, having had two partners in the meantime. He has been alone since a year ago last March. Mr. Fee is a young man, possessing no little amount of laudable ambition. His past career has been an honorable one, and he has reason to be proud of it. He is doing a very fine business, is a genial, good natured gentleman, and we gladly make this paragraph.

S. K. RHORER

Is, we believe, the latest candidate for mercantile laurels at the hands of our people, and we take advantage of this opportunity of introducing himself and business to the readers of the *Progress*. Mr. R. is a Kentuckian by birth. In the years '56 and '57 he was a student at the model school here, and again in 1860, graduating, however, in the University of Louisville. In the Fall of 1861 he entered the Army as Assistant Surgeon of the 3d Kentucky, remaining during the war, and afterwards locating for practice at Columbia, Ky., from whence he came here. It seems almost a shame that after the medical and surgical experience he has had, the Doctor should accept the dull routine of trade for his portion—he is a young man, enthusiastic and ambitious, and what proves a loss to the medical, will be a gain to the mercantile world. He is located upon the southeast corner of the square—known now as the "East Side Store," and has met with unexpected success, trade having rapidly increased. One would have thought there was not room for another first-class store in town—Mr. R. has demonstrated that there was, and we are glad that his energy is meeting with so substantial reward. In trade, as in the professions, there is room at the top, and some of our older houses must look to their laurels.

JOHN P. SMITH

THE WEST SIDE JEWELER,

Has well earned a prominent place in this sketch of our city and its prominent business interests. He came here in 1858 from Crawfordsville, and until 1864 was with his brother. In that year, they two, in partnership, established another house, J. P. Smith assuming management of it, dissolving the firm in 1867, since when he has been alone. Mr. Smith has had an active experience of about 15 years, in the business. He has made himself a perfect master of all the intricate details of practical watch making and repairing, and has always commanded the confidence of the people. Especially has this been the case in the sales department. Jewelers are not always scrupulously careful in their representations as to goods. The masses of the people do not know the real from the imitation, and there is strong temptation to take advantage of this ignorance. Such a charge cannot be laid against Mr. Smith, and that has been one cause of his signal success. He has an elegant establishment, fitted up in good taste, and stocked with the choicest of goods, and we can cordially invite the readers of the *Progress* to call upon him, assuring them in advance that they will be received with the utmost attention by as clever gentleman as does business in Bloomington.

DUNN & CO.

Is the style of one of our heaviest houses, and to which we devote some space. The firm was formed in 1857, and comprises Mrs. M. A. Dunn, widow of one of the original partners, and whose interest is in her hands, Felix C. Dunn and Ewing Batterton. Of the two latter we speak. Mr. Dunn has resided in this vicinity for forty years, and prior to 1852 was engaged in farming. Since that time he has been an active business man, of sterling honesty and integrity, whose career has never been marred by a dishonorable transaction. Mr. Batterton was raised here. In 1851 he removed to California, where he remained six years, then returning here, and again going to California three years ago, only to stay a short time, however. Like Mr. Dunn, Mr. Batterton is a representative business man. The firm does the leading grocery and provision business of town, and are our principal grain buyers, when there is any wheat to ship. Both gentlemen pay active attention to the business, and it is in safe hands. One marked peculiarity is their mode of doing business—whenever they buy anything they pay cash. Not ten, twenty, thirty or sixty days, but cash down. We don't believe there is half a dozen houses in the State of Indiana, that are able to do this. It illustrates the character of the men, however, and bears us out in our assertion that they are leading business men.

Coal and Iron in Monroe County.

Some nine miles southwest of Bloomington, in Van Buren township, coal is found in abundance, and of as good quality as in any other locality of the State.

Twelve miles from Bloomington is the site of the Old Iron Furnace, where iron ore was smelted some 20 years ago, but as there were no railroads to carry the pig iron to market, the proprietors could not compete with more favored localities, and the works were abandoned.

In the vicinity of the Old Furnace kidney ore is found in inexhaustible quantities, and lying by its side are immense fields of the finest block coal with which to smelt it.

These are not empty assertions—let those who doubt come and see for themselves.

Send "The Progress" to your Friends in other States.

Let every subscriber of the PROGRESS, after he has read his paper this week, send it to friends in Ohio, and adjoining States, that the prospects of this locality may be generally talked of abroad, and that energetic farmers may be induced to come and settle among us. This is the way all new countries are developed: By bringing prominently before the people, through the medium of newspapers and circulars, the advantages to be derived from investing in lands, and not alone investing in them, but settling upon them.

Land can be bought in many parts of Monroe county to-day, at less than one-half the figure asked for no better land in Illinois, Iowa and Kansas, (as all will admit who have traveled over those States,) and the people who are seeking new homes, have only to be advised of this fact to insure us a large immigration during the Spring of 1872.

Notice of Sale of Land.

NOTICE is hereby given, that by virtue of an Order of the Monroe Common Pleas Court, the undersigned, Administrator of the estate of James Goodley, deceased, will offer for sale at public auction, on the premises, in Salt Creek township, on

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22d, 1872,

the following described real estate, to-wit:

The northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section fourteen (14), of township eight (8), range one (1) east, containing forty (40) acres more or less.

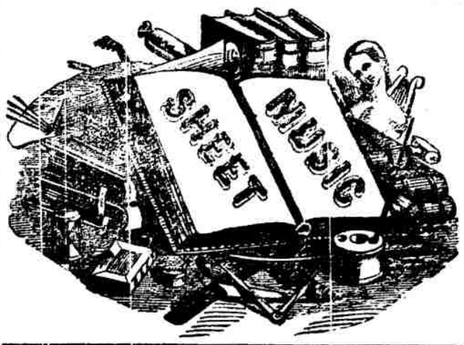
Also, part of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section fifteen (15), township eight, (8), range one east.

And part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section fifteen (15), township eight (8), range one (1) east, containing forty (40) acres, more or less, in Monroe county, Indiana.

TERMS—One-third cash, the residue in equal payments, at twelve and eighteen months, with notes at interest, waiving benefit of appraisement, and secured by good freehold sureties.

Sale to begin at 2 o'clock P. M.

JAMES B. CLARK,
2d7w 71-td Administrator.



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