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CITY OF COVINGTON, KY.

THE ATTRACTIVE RESIDENT SUBURB OF CINCINNATI.

THE LEADING MANUFACTURING CENTRE OF KENTUCKY—ITS BEAUTIFUL
SURROUNDINGS—RESOURCES FOR TRADE—SHIP-
PING FACILITIES, ETC.

Located on an elevated plateau on the largest branch of the Mississippi river from the east, the city of Covington has advantages unsurpassed for the cheap transportation of raw material and manufactured products, while the healthful and beautiful surroundings make it one of the most attractive places for residence in the West. The beauty and fertility of the Ohio Valley has long been told in song and story and the proximity of the rich blue-grass region of Kentucky gives the city opportunities for trade which promise in the near future to make this one of the great business centres of the Southwest. At its lowest stage the river is not navigable as far as Cincinnati and Covington for the larger steamboats, but during one-half of the year it can be readily navigated by any of the boats running on the Mississippi, the canal at the rapids near Louisville affording passage for the largest steamers.

The climate of Covington is exceptionally favorable to the health and comfort of the people. The cool breezes on the terraces along the river-banks, on either side of the Ohio, prevail during the summer season, and beyond the reach of the smoke and heat of the factories, every part of the city is habitable during the entire heated term, and hot nights are practically unknown. The city has been laid out with taste and a view to comfort as a resident section, and in the elegant styles of architecture of the suburban homes, the handsome and well-kept lawns and parterres, we find an evidence of the culture and refinement of the people. Many of the streets are models of attractiveness, and the people seem to vie with each other in maintaining the prestige of Covington for healthfulness and beauty.

The public spirit of the people is supplemented by the city officials, past and present, and improvements in the streets, sewage, health, and fire departments are constantly agitating the minds of the municipal authorities, and progress in the right direction is steadily made.

The markets of this city are exceptionally fine, the county supplying the best dairy products, fruits, and meats at minimum rates, and the cost of living is as low, if not lower, than that of any city in the country of its size—quality being considered.

The trade in produce and tobacco of Covington is very large and is steadily increasing, and through the jobbers of Cincinnati a large business in produce is carried on, extending to all parts of the South and West.

The brewing interest is the leading industry of Covington, and in the quality of their products the brewers of this city compete most successfully with the most noted manufacturers of malt beverages in

Cincinnati, famous through all parts of the country and the world for the superior excellence of its beer and ale. There are extensive distilleries, foundries, saw and planing mills, carriage works, wire and nail works, and a large ice manufactory in successful operation, and the enterprise of the leaders of trade and industry here have bravely stemmed the tide of financial depression and stand ready to avail themselves of the favorable trade winds, which, with the settlement of the labor troubles, will doubtless bring prosperity to all sections of the country and every channel of enterprise.

Courteous and hospitable, the people who have made Covington a beautiful city of homes and a thriving business place as well have welcomed the merchants of Cincinnati to their city, and in mutual accord and for the good of all, this community is advancing the common interests of the people of both Covington and the Queen City, without permitting that jealous spirit to manifest itself which has too often, under like circumstances, worked incalculable injury to one or both cities similarly situated.

This beautiful suburb of Cincinnati is properly considered in connection with that city, as the place of residence of many of its most enterprising, representative merchants, independent of its being a great auxiliary to its trade and industry.

It is one of the seats of justice of Kenton county, Kentucky, and is situated on the south or left bank of the Ohio river, immediately opposite Cincinnati, and immediately below the mouth of Licking river, which stream separates it from Newport, another city selected by the business men of the Queen City as a place of residence beyond the smoke and bustle of manufacturing and commercial enterprise.

The population of Covington in 1830 was seven hundred and fifteen, since which time the city has had a corresponding growth with Cincinnati. According to the official figures of the United States census; the population in 1840 had increased to two thousand and twenty-six, in 1850 it had reached nine thousand four hundred and eight, in 1860 sixteen thousand four hundred and seventy-one, in 1870 twenty-four thousand five hundred and five, and at the last United States enumeration in 1880 twenty-nine thousand seven hundred and twenty was the official number of its population, and allowing the same proportion of gain during the last six years, the number doubtless aggregates between thirty-five and forty thousand at present writing.

Covington was laid out in February, 1815, on what was then known as "Kennedy's farm," and was incorporated as a city by the Legislature of Kentucky, February 24th, 1834.

It is connected with Cincinnati by a wire suspension bridge over the Ohio river, which was completed in 1867 at a cost of nearly \$2,000,000. The cables are supported at either end by a tower two hundred feet in height, the span between measuring one thousand and fifty-seven feet, making the entire length of the structure, with its approaches, two thousand two hundred and fifty-two feet. The height of the bridge at the highest point is one hundred feet above low-water mark, with a double street-car track, and driveways and footwalks on both sides.

It is also connected with Newport by a wire suspension bridge over the Licking erected in 1854.

Up until 1874 the Kentucky Central was the only railroad entering the city, although the Louisville Short-Line railroad passed through or near the suburbs of the city over the Licking river to Newport, and thence across the railroad bridge to Cincinnati.

Covington is built upon a beautiful, elevated plain, of several square miles in extent, one thousand three hundred and fifty acres of which is, at present writing, included within the city limits. The streets are wide, and in the resident portion are beautifully shaded, and those extending north and south appear to be a continuation of those in Cincinnati, which city it greatly resembles in its general plan. The business streets are well paved, the sidewalks are wide and in excellent condition, and the charming combination of proximity to business and delightful rural scenery is here found and fully appreciated.

The public buildings are large and substantial, in modern style of architecture. The Court-house and City Hall is a handsome edifice with large rooms for the Criminal and Civil Courts, and well-appointed offices for the municipal and county officials. There are five large and well-equipped school buildings, one of which is devoted to instruction in the higher branches, and the facilities for acquiring an education sufficient for all the business pursuits, and qualifying graduates for admission to colleges and universities is here afforded. The new Post-office, lately erected by the government, at a cost of \$130,000, is in the prevailing style of these buildings in the cities of the country, and has ample facilities for intended purposes, which includes a United States District Court-room, and United States Pension and Collectors' offices.

In 1864 there were five hundred and sixty stores in the city, besides eight large tobacco factories, twenty-one cigar factories, four distilleries, five breweries, glass works, hemp and silk manufactures, and three beef and pork-packing establishments all in successful operation, and the number has been increased since that time. There are now three extensive rolling-mills, producing sheet, bar, railroad,

and bridge iron, and, up until the labor troubles, all were steadily developing and extending their operations.

There are five banks, with an aggregate capital of \$2,225,000, and the facilities for conducting commercial and manufacturing business are all that could be desired. * The workshops of the Kentucky Central railroad, which is virtually the Cincinnati terminus of the Baltimore and Ohio route, are located here.

The city is divided into nine wards, and the municipal government consists of a mayor and two councilmen from each ward.

The city is supplied by water from works constructed on the Holly system, which were completed in 1871 at a cost of \$430,000, and the supply of water of excellent quality is ample for all present demands and for the natural increase for a generation to come. The amount of taxable property has increased from \$1,065,245 in 1845, to \$15,000,000 at this time, and the tax-rate is as low as that of any city of its size in the country, and the financial status of Covington attests the able management of municipal affairs.

The schools are organized on a most improved plan, and consist of one high, fifteen grammar, and thirty-five primary schools, with six male and forty-eight female teachers. The average daily attendance is nearly twenty-six hundred. In addition to the tax levied by the State of two mills on the dollar for school purposes, the city is authorized to levy a tax of two and a quarter mills on the dollar for the support of the schools, giving the School Board ample facilities for providing first-class instruction, and to erect suitable modern buildings, as are from time to time required by the growth of the school population.

Besides the common schools, there are a number of private institutions of learning in Covington, which are conducted with eminent success, giving to the people, not only of the city but of this section of the country, every educational advantage possessed by any contemporary city of the South and West of equal size. Of these last named there are ten Roman Catholic schools and academies, all conducted in the thorough manner for which Catholic institutions are proverbial. A large and well-selected public library of five thousand volumes is a feature of the city, and is a potent adjunct of the schools.

Among the charitable institutions of Covington must be noticed the Hospital of Saint Elizabeth, a commodious building with extensive grounds and delightful surroundings, located in the centre of the city, and connected with it is a foundling asylum.

The German Orphan Asylum is located about four miles from the city, and is conducted under the auspices of the Catholic Church.

Saint Joseph's Priory is located on Bank street, is occupied by monks of the Benedictine Order, and Saint Walpurgas' Convent of Benedictine Nuns is situated on Twelfth street.

There are at present thirty-five churches in Covington, of which about one-third are Roman Catholic, and the balance are divided among the Methodists, Baptists, Episcopalians, Evangelical Reformed, Lutherans, Presbyterians, one of the Methodist and four of the Catholic being German, and two of the Baptist and one Methodist being colored.

The Kentucky Central Depot, corner of Eighth and Washington streets, is within fifteen minutes drive of the Post-office. It is not an imposing building, but has a waiting-room, telegraph-office, and lunch-room. Three passenger and two freight trains arrive and depart daily. The Round-house is a large and substantial building, with capacity for housing thirty engines, and the sidings have accommodations for five hundred freight cars.

CITY OF COVINGTON'S BUSINESS HOUSES.

Covington Lager Beer Brewery, Nos. 601, 607, and 627 Scott Street.—The rapidity with which the great German national drink, lager beer, has made its way among the nations of the earth is

in the production of a beer that is absolutely unsurpassed for quality, flavor, purity, and general excellence. The trade of the Covington Lager Beer Brewery extends all over Kentucky and Ohio, and



paralleled only by the widespread and phenomenal popularity attained by tobacco after its introduction into Europe. At the Paris Exposition, American lager beer triumphed over the productions of all the celebrated Continental brewers. In this connection we desire to direct special attention to the reliable Covington Lager Beer Brewery, the property of Mr. John Brenner, Nos. 601, 607, and 627 Scott street. This brewery was first started by Mr. Charles Gersbauer in 1845, who conducted it until 1881, when he was succeeded by the firm of Brenner & Seiler. In 1884 Mr. John Brenner purchased the interest of Mr. Seiler and became sole proprietor, since which period he has greatly improved the buildings and appliances. The brewery and malt house are spacious and substantial buildings, each four stories high, and contain the most improved and perfect apparatus and machinery of modern times. The pumps, refrigerators, immense vats, bandelot cooler, fresh air ventilator, boilers, and, in fact, all its superior equipments, are admired greatly by visitors and experts who know anything at all about brewing. The improved Linde refrigerating machine can be seen here in full operation. About fifty experienced workmen are employed in the brewery and bottling works, while two splendid engines, one of sixty and another of thirty-horse power, are utilized to operate the machinery. The capacity of the brewery, which is now worked to its fullest extent, is thirty thousand barrels, and is about the amount which was sold during the past year. Only the best malt and hops that can be purchased are made use of, and these are handled in such a scientific manner as to result

is rapidly increasing. Mr. John Brenner, proprietor and manager, is a thoroughly expert brewer, and superintends with the greatest care and ability all the operations of the brewing and bottling departments. Mr. Brenner was born in Germany, but has resided in America for many years. He is an energetic and enterprising business man, noted for his honorable methods and sterling integrity and ably directs the business of his flourishing brewery. Brenner's I X L Lager Beer is a great favorite with consumers, and will be found to meet every necessary demand.

F. Stoekle, Druggist, No. 199 Pike Street.—One of the oldest established and most popular business establishments in the city is that of Mr. F. Stoekle, the well-known druggist. He founded this business here in 1860, locating first at No. 225 Pike street, and removing to the present store in 1871. Here he occupies handsome quarters, 15x40 feet in dimensions, and possesses the requisite capacity and all necessary facilities. His stock comprises a full line of pure drugs, chemicals, family medicines, paints and oils, toilet articles and fancy goods of various kinds, all carefully selected for this trade and sold at fair prices. Mr. Stoekle began business in a very unpretentious way, and has gradually built up his trade until he has gained his present gratifying position. His prescription department is conducted with the greatest care and system, and is liberally patronized. Mr. Stoekle was born in Germany fifty-three years ago, and has resided in Covington since 1859.

D. Ruttle & Co., Pork and Beef Packers and Curers of Peach Brand Hams, Breakfast Bacon, Shoulders, and Beef; Porkhouse, Twelfth Street, west of Bank Lick; Salesrooms, No. 703 Madison Avenue.—An important adjunct to the provision trade of Covington is the well-known and reliable house of Messrs. D. Ruttle & Co., whose productions have acquired an excellent reputation in the market on account of their uniform good quality, which is attributable to the stock being selected with great care, and all the processes of curing and packing being performed and effected under critical supervision. This house was established in 1871 by Mr. D. Ruttle, who conducted it till 1874, when he admitted Mr. William Schlickman into partnership, the firm being known by the style and title of D. Ruttle & Co. The porkhouse of the firm is situated at Twelfth street, west of Bank Lick, and the salesrooms at No. 706 Madison avenue. The packing-house located as above indicated is equipped with all the latest improved appliances known to the trade, employment being given to a considerable number of skilled operatives. Messrs. D. Ruttle & Co. are curers of the famous peach brand hams, breakfast bacon, shoulders, and beef. These goods are unsurpassed in quality by those of any other similar establishment, and are everywhere recognized and appreciated by the trade as standard productions. The salesrooms are very conveniently arranged for trade purposes, and are supplied with the necessary cold storage and refrigerators, thereby enabling the firm to offer the best goods to its customers. The sales of this responsible house amounted in the year 1835 to upward of \$100,000, and owing to the unrivaled quality of its "peach brand" hams, etc., is rapidly increasing in the East and South. Mr. D. Ruttle was born in Ireland, while his partner, Mr. Schlickman, is a native of Cincinnati. Mr. Schlickman has resided in Covington for the last thirty-four years, and was a member of the Council in 1831 for one term, and has since been elected in 1836 for another term, and is at the present time a director of the First National Bank. Both partners are highly esteemed in mercantile circles for their integrity and capacity, while those opening business relations with this popular house will derive advantages that cannot readily be accorded elsewhere.

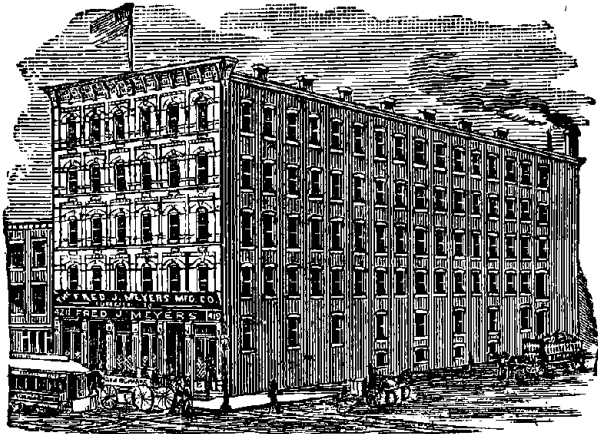
J. Shelley Hudson, Manufacturer of Fine Bright Plug Tobacco, Nos. 525 and 527 Madison Avenue.—No historical review of the rise and progress of the tobacco trade of Covington would be complete without special reference to the old-established and representative house of Mr. J. Shelley Hudson, whose office and factory are located at Nos. 525 and 527 Madison avenue. This business was established in 1863 by Mr. Homer Hudson, who conducted it till 1870, when he admitted his son, Mr. J. S. Hudson, into partnership, the firm being known by the style and title of H. Hudson & Son. Eventually in 1834 Mr. Homer Hudson retired and his son became sole proprietor. The premises occupied comprise a spacious three-story brick building, 50x150 feet in dimensions, admirably arranged and provided with all the latest improved apparatus and machinery requisite for the systematic conduct of the business. An engine of forty-horse power is utilized, and employment is given to fifty skilled operatives. The fine bright plug tobacco manufactured by this reliable house is absolutely unsurpassed for flavor, quality, and general excellence by

that of any other first-class house in the trade. The principal brands of Mr. Hudson's unrivaled plug tobacco are Crown Jewel, Royal Gem, Camelia, Pride, Imperial, Nectar; these are all sugar-cured Virginias. His chief brands of bright navies are Level Best, Fair Deal, Polo, etc. These goods are highly esteemed by consumers in all parts of the United States, and wherever introduced are general favorites. The sales of the house amount annually to about three hundred thousand pounds and are rapidly increasing. Mr. J. Shelley Hudson was born in Crittenden, Kentucky, but has resided in Covington since 1861. He is noted in commercial circles for his equitable methods, integrity, and business ability, and is a thorough exponent of those enduring principles of probity, which alone form the sure basis of permanent prosperity.

F. M. McDannold, Lumber, Lath, Shingles, Sash, Blinds, Doors, Cedar Posts, etc., Sixteenth and Madison Avenue, formerly corner of Eighth and Russell Streets.—One of the most extensive lumber dealers in Covington is Mr. F. M. McDannold, whose place of business is located at Sixteenth street and Madison avenue, having moved from the corner of Eighth and Russell streets a short time ago. Mr. McDannold is a general dealer in lumber, laths, shingles, sashes, blinds, doors, cedar posts, etc., carries a large stock of the best kind of goods in his line, and is in the enjoyment of an excellent run of trade. In 1879 Mr. McDannold reorganized his affairs and started the industry of which he is now sole proprietor. His lumber yards at Sixteenth and Madison are very large, and comprise an area of 225x230 feet. He carries a large, carefully selected, and well-seasoned stock, and is in the enjoyment of a large wholesale and retail trade. He deals with every customer on the most liberal of terms, and any one requiring goods in his line will never go away from his lumber yards unsatisfied. Mr. McDannold is a native of Kenton county, Kentucky, and is now forty years of age, the last twenty-four years having been passed by him in this city. He is an enterprising business man, of sound principles and strict integrity, and with his three assistants is kept constantly busy the year round, the patronage given him being well merited.

A. J. Laird, Dealer in Boots and Shoes, No. 716 Madison Avenue.—Mr. Laird established himself in business in 1835 at the above address, and he brought to the enterprise a very extended experience. He is a native of Philadelphia, was born forty-five years ago, and for the past seven years has resided in Covington. He received a thoroughly practical training in the business and is acquainted with its every detail. His store is 15x45 feet in dimensions, very tastefully fitted up, and completely stocked with a large assortment of boots and shoes in all sizes, shapes, and quality, and adapted for both sexes. A specialty is made of infants' shoes, in which a large trade is done. The business is of both a wholesale and retail character, and the trade connections of the wholesale department extend to all parts of Kentucky, Ohio, and Indiana. Mr. Laird employs three assistants in the store. All orders receive the most prompt attention, and the business is conducted upon an honorable and liberal policy.

The Fred J. Meyers Manufacturing Company, Manufacturers of Architectural Iron Work, Iron Store Fronts, Stairs, Shutters, etc., Nos. 419, 421, and 423 Madison Avenue.—When the



public becomes thoroughly acquainted with the advantages that iron possesses as a building material it is confidently predicted that for superior edifices of all kinds it will receive a general preference to granite, marble, or brick. Cast iron, unlike wrought iron and steel, is not subject to rapid oxidation and decay by exposure to the atmosphere, while no other material is so valuable after having served its original purpose, as it may be recast into new forms and adapted to new uses. In connection with these remarks special attention is directed to the old-established and representative Fred J. Meyers Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of architectural iron work, whose office and works in Covington are located at Nos. 419, 421, and 423 Madison avenue. This business was established in 1856 by Mr. John Mieth, and the following have been the changes in the style and title of the firm: 1856, John Mieth; 1865, John Mieth & Co.; 1868, Fred J. Meyers; 1880, The Fred J. Meyers Manufacturing Company. The paid-up capital of the company is \$125,000, and the following are the officers, viz.: Fred J. Meyers, president; Wm. Ernst, vice-president; Edward H. Ernst, secretary and treasurer. The premises occupied are very extensive and comprise two brick buildings, one of six stories 47x150 feet in dimensions, the other having two stories 23x190 feet in area. The mechanical equipment of these works embrace all the latest improved machinery and appliances known to the trade, while the policy of the management has been constantly directed to adopting every improvement or invention that tend to perfect the various productions. The Fred J. Meyers Manufacturing Company manufactures extensively architectural iron work of every description, iron store fronts, stairs, shutters, cresting, and iron fences. They also make a specialty of wire work of every description, the most beautiful and useful specimens of which are to be seen in their warerooms. These productions are absolutely unsurpassed for quality, workmanship, and general excellence by those of any other contemporary house in the trade. About two hundred skilled operatives are employed in the various departments of the works. The trade of the company is by no means confined to the United States and Canada, large shipments being made to Mexico, the West Indies, South America, Australia, and China. The officers of this enterprising company are highly regarded in mercantile circles for their excellent business qualities and sterling integrity and occupy a

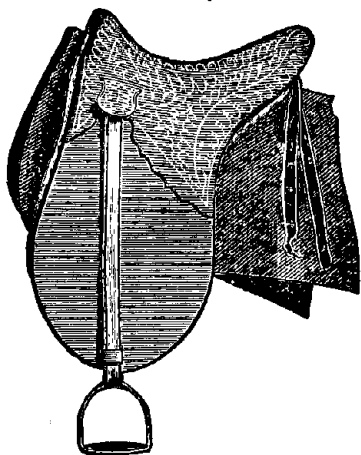
prominent position among the manufacturers of Covington and Cincinnati. It is with pleasure, therefore, that particular attention is called to this responsible house.

R. Hamilton & Co., Wholesale Grocers, No. 39 Pike Street and Nos. 38 and 40 West Seventh Street.—It is a pleasure to present to our readers in this review of the business interests of Covington some facts with regard to the house of Messrs. R. Hamilton & Co., the well-known wholesale and retail grocers at No. 39 Pike street and Nos. 38 and 40 West Seventh street. The foundations of this house were laid some eighteen years ago by Mr. R. Hamilton. Success attended the efforts of its founder from the start, and the steady growth of the business to its present prominent position has been as remarkable as it is rare. The premises occupied by the firm comprise three floors and basement, each 40x75 feet. The trade is both wholesale and retail, and is large and active, employing the assistance of six men and two teams in attending to the wants of the host of patrons. The stock of both staple and fancy groceries is very large and complete, and is received fresh from the best producing sources, while the prices which prevail are eminently just and equitable. The members of the firm are Messrs. R. and J. H. Hamilton, residents for many years of this city.

H. Kampe, Manufacturer of Parlor Furniture and Mattresses, Furniture of all kinds Repaired, No. 823 Madison Avenue.—Mr. Kampe is well known as a manufacturer of superior furniture, particularly parlor furniture and mattresses. He is also known as doing an extensive business in repairing furniture of all kinds. He repairs and repaints baby carriages so that they look like new, reseats cane and wooden-bottom chairs, repairs, oils, and varnishes furniture, and cuts and makes furniture covers in the most approved style. His store is nicely fitted up, and its dimensions are 25x40 feet. Although established but since 1884, yet he has succeeded in securing a large and excellent line of customers, who appreciate his work and are well satisfied to pay the moderate prices asked by him. Mr. Kampe is a native of this city, having been born here in 1859. He makes a specialty of manufacturing work to order from samples. Also gives attention to carpet laying, cutting, and fitting.

John A. Fischer, Manufacturer of and Dealer in Builders Hardware and Fisher's Secret Fire-proof Safes, No. 1109 Madison Avenue.—Mr. Fischer is a manufacturer of and dealer in builders' hardware and Fisher's secret fire-proof safes. He gives especial attention to bell-hanging, the repairing of locks, safes, etc., and is in the enjoyment of a large line of local patronage. He is well-known as the patentee of the secret fire-proof safe, which was patented in 1876, and has become very popular and widely known as being all that is claimed for it. He is also the patentee of a new saw set, which was granted a patent in 1885. His store is admirably adapted for his business, being 25x40 feet in extent. He also occupies the upper floor, which is of the same size. Here he employs four assistants and is doing a capital trade. Mr. Fischer is a native of Germany, and was born in 1846. He came to the United States when but ten years old, and entered business when quite young.

Charles Mahlmann, Manufacturer of and Dealer in Saddles, Harness, Bridles, Collars, Trunks, etc., No. 32 Pike Street.—In reviewing the advantages that pertain to Covington as a centre of com-



merce, we cannot ignore the claims to prominence of Mr. Charles Mahlmann, manufacturer of and dealer in saddles, harness, bridles, collars, trunks, etc., No. 32 Pike street. This enterprise was established originally as a repair shop in Boone county, Ky., in 1857, and in 1870 the business was removed to its present location. The premises occupied comprise a three-story brick building, covering an area of 23x95 feet. The first floor is utilized as a salesroom and the two upper floors as a manufacturing department. Five hands are employed and the best class of saddles, harness, etc., are manufactured to order. The premises are well arranged and equipped with every facility and appliance for the prosecution of the business. The salesroom contains an elegant and extensive variety of all kinds of ladies' and gentlemen's saddles, single and double harness, saddlery, carriage goods, whips, robes, horse-furnishing goods of all descriptions, which are offered at the lowest possible prices consistent with good materials and workmanship. The trade, as may be inferred, is a large one and ranges throughout the city and vicinity. A visit to the establishment will prove profitable to any one requiring anything in the lines above indicated, while the horse owner will find here many useful novelties not procurable elsewhere. Mr. Mahlmann, who was born in Germany fifty-three years ago, came to America in 1855, and he has resided in Covington since 1870. He has been the president of the German Mutual Insurance Company for the past seven years.

H. Feltman, Manufacturer of Fine Cigars and Dealer in Tobacco, Nos. 23 and 30 Pike Street.—Mr. Feltman's name is familiar throughout the States of Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois, Missouri, Tennessee, Georgia, and other places where his goods are shipped. This house was founded by Mr. Feltman in 1848, at a corner store on Fifth street, between Race and East streets. It was continued here until 1853, when the business was moved to Third street, where it was carried on until 1873, when another removal was effected, this time to the fine quarters at Nos. 28 and 30 Pike street, where it is still continued. These premises comprise a brick building three stories in height, and 22x110 feet in dimensions. It is provided with an elevator and all the appliances for carrying on the cigar-making trade. Forty skilled workmen are

kept employed. The yearly sales amount to about one hundred and twenty-five thousand cigars a year. Mr. Feltman also deals in tobacco leaf, but makes this department subservient to his cigar business. He is also interested in the Morris Tobacco Warehouse, the firm name of which concern was for eight years Garvey, Feltman & Co. Mr. Feltman is a German by birth, and is now fifty-three years of age. He has resided in this part of the country since 1842. He is well known, also, as the President of the German National Bank of Covington, and has been a trustee of the Protestant Children's Home since 1881.

W. Scott Riffe, Druggist and Apothecary, Southeast corner of Seventh Street and Madison Avenue.—A representative house in the drug trade of Covington is that of Mr. W. Scott Riffe. Mr. Riffe, who is a native of Winchester, Ky., and twenty-seven years of age, has resided in Covington since 1867, and established himself in business in 1881. He has been located in his present store since 1884. The store, which is 15x60 feet in dimensions, is very tastefully fitted up. In the rear of the store a wareroom, 18x40 feet in dimensions, is occupied in connection with the business. Mr. Riffe is a pharmaceutical graduate and ranks high for his professional worth and abilities among his brethren in the profession. He and his clerks are very attentive and polite toward their patrons, and in every respect they are thoroughly equal to any emergency both as to the pure and refined stock of drugs and medicines, and by their personal qualifications to prepare prescriptions, which they are ready to do at any hour, day or night, and at very reasonable rates. Mr. Riffe carries a full line of toilet and fancy articles, perfume, patent medicines, etc., usually to be had at first-class drug stores. He has a large trade in the city and the surrounding districts. His numerous patrons place entire confidence in his selection of drugs and medicines, and rely solely on his judgment and word as to their grade, quality, purity, etc. A branch store has also been recently opened corner of Fifteenth and Madison avenue under the charge of Mr. John W. Thomas, where a full line of choice goods may be found.

B. Gantenberg, Sole Agent for Domestic Sewing-Machines, No. 64 Pike Street; Residence, No. 518 Main Street.—One of the most popular and well-known of the agencies, in Covington, of sewing-machines is that conducted by Mr. B. Gantenberg. Mr. Gantenberg established this business in Cincinnati in 1858 at the corner of Central avenue and George street, remaining there until 1864, when he removed to this city and located in a store on Fifth street. He carried on business at this stand until 1883, when he removed to the quarters he occupies at present. Here he is enjoying a first-class trade, and is assisted by his four competent employees. He is sole agent for Covington, Newport, Dayton, and Ludlow for the celebrated Domestic Sewing-Machines, for which he has held the agency since 1870. He has a very nice store, in dimensions 25x60 feet, and has a large run of customers. Mr. Gantenberg is a German by birth, but since 1848 has been identified with the interests of Cincinnati and Covington. He took an active part in the late war, serving with much distinction as a member of the Home Horse Guards.

Peter Nodler, Druggist and Lamp Dealer, Northeast corner of Fifth and Madison Streets.—Mr. Peter Nodler is one of the characteristic business men of Covington, considered from the standpoint of enterprise and energetic go-aheaditiveness. He is proprietor of the most popular drug store in this city, and also is owner of the only lamp store in Covington. Mr. Nodler established himself in business here in 1867. His drug store is one of the finest in the city, and is filled with a large stock of drugs of the choicest descriptions. In size the store measures 22x50 feet, and it is beautifully furnished with walnut fixtures. A specialty is made of compounding medicines, and a large trade is done the year round. Next door to the drug store is the lamp store owned by Mr. Nodler. In dimensions it is 18x30 feet. It is well stocked with lamps of all kinds, chimneys, shades, lanterns, wicks, paints, brushes, cuspidors, etc. A wareroom in the rear of this shop, measuring 18x25 feet, is completely filled with oils, bottles, etc. Besides these two businesses Mr. Nodler also does a good trade in manufacturing soda water and ginger ales, which he supplies in quantity to retail dealers. Mr. Nodler is a native of Madison, Indiana. He is now but forty years of age, and has spent the greater part of his life in this city.

J. H. Mersman, Locksmith, Bellhanger, and Dealer in Builders' and General Hardware, No. 31 Pike Street.—Among the active, energetic, and old-established business men in this city there are none who enjoy a better reputation than Mr. J. H. Mersman, hardware dealer, locksmith, and bellhanger. Mr. Mersman, who was born in Germany in 1831, has been a resident in Covington for the past half century. In 1863 he founded his present enterprise and started in a very unpretentious way, and to-day he occupies a foremost position in his line of trade in the city, is conducting a large retail and jobbing business, and is one of our most prominent citizens. His business premises comprise a three-story building, covering an area of 30x75 feet. His commodious salesroom is well fitted up, and it contains a general assortment of builders' and general hardware, tools, cutlery, and an extensive variety of housefurnishing goods. His stock has been very carefully selected and purchased principally direct from the manufacturers. In addition to conducting a general hardware business, Mr. Mersman follows the trade of a locksmith and bellhanger, in which department he employs a staff of seven experienced, practical workmen. He resides at No. 80 West Ninth street, and is well known to the trade as a prompt, reliable business man.

"Our Nectar" Lager Beer Bottling Works, Deppe & Co., Nos. 17 and 19 Lower Market Street.—Noteworthy bottlers of lager beer in this city are Messrs. Deppe & Co., whose works are located at Nos. 17 and 19 Lower Market street. This house was established in 1879 by Mr. J. A. Deppe, the head of the firm, and who is a German by birth. The dimensions of his store is 35x45 feet, and his stable in the rear of the store is 35x16 feet. He employs four hands, and has two wagons and one beer cart with two horses to help in the prompt delivery of goods. Messrs. Deppe & Co. are bottlers of John Kaufman's celebrated Cincinnati beer, and also bottle London ales and porter and Blue Lick water. The brand used for bottled lager by this

firm is that of "our nectar," a superior article and much to be commended. The firm ship their goods throughout Kentucky and Indiana and are enjoying an active trade.

Albert E. Schnitker, Druggist and Pharmacist, Northeast corner of Ninth Street and Madison Avenue.—One of the most prosperous drug stores in Covington is that owned by Mr. Albert E. Schnitker. Although established since February, 1885, the trade extends among the best classes in this city. The store is very handsomely fitted up with cherry wood fixtures of unique and handsome design. It is also furnished with a nickel-plated cigar case, fitted with French plate glass, and has handsome chandeliers, shelf-bottles, and other fine settings. The mere furnishing of the store alone cost \$1,500. The stock in trade of drugs is most complete. A specialty is made of compounding physicians' prescriptions and Mr. Schnitker and his two competent assistants are continually kept busy. Over six thousand prescriptions have been filled here since the establishment was founded, and a business of over \$6,000 a year is done by Mr. Schnitker. Mr. Schnitker is one of Covington's youngest and most enterprising business men. He was born here in 1863 and has always lived here.

N. O. Brooks, Dealer in Ladies', Misses', and Children's Fine Shoes, No. 618 Madison Avenue.—This house was established on August 1st, 1882, by Mr. Brooks, and immediately sprung into popular favor and patronage. His sales now reach the very respectable sum of \$25,000 a year, and bid fair to become double that amount before long. The store occupied is a very commodious one, being 20x60 feet in extent. It is filled with a splendid stock of ladies', misses', children's, and men's fine shoes, all handily arranged and marked down to the most reasonable rates. Two employees are kept busy in attending to the wants of the numerous customers. Mr. Brooks is a native of Nicolas county, Kentucky, and is now in his thirty-eighth year. He holds the agencies for the fine shoes manufactured by Ziegler, Bros., Philadelphia; Kelley & Moore, Philadelphia, and for the superior men's shoes manufactured by Lilly, Brackett & Co., of Boston. He is also depositor and treasurer of the Bible Society of Covington and vicinity.

William H. Stuckey, Engraver and Die Sinker, Steel Stamps, Stencils, and Burning Brands, Metal Signs, Cards, and Door Plates, No. 17½ Pike Street.—Covington boasts of many sons who have achieved a mark in commercial life, among them being Mr. William H. Stuckey, who was born in this city in 1856. Mr. Stuckey is now engaged in carrying on a fine business as an engraver and die sinker, and in making all kinds of steel stamps, stencils, burning brands, metal signs, cards, and door plates. His store is nicely arranged, and contains a fine stock of the goods in which Mr. Stuckey is a specialist. The dimensions of the store are 18x40 feet, thus being amply large for all the needs of the business. Mr. Stuckey employs a courteous and skilled assistant and is carrying on an excellent business. His work is done in the best style of the engraver's art. He makes a specialty of jobbing work, and charges the most reasonable prices for all work executed.

P. Goldsmith & Co., Manufacturers of Base Balls, Doll Bodies and Heads, Indestructible Patent Dolls, etc., Nos. 633, 635, and 637 Russell Street and Nos. 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 Harvey Street.—An important branch of manufacturing activity and one deserving of special mention in a review of the business interests of Covington is the manufacture and sale of base balls, doll bodies, etc. The trade of late in these goods has developed to great proportions, stimulated by an active demand all over the United States for fresh triumphs of American skill and ingenuity. Much of the credit for the prosperous condition of this interest in Covington is due to the representative house of Messrs. P. Goldsmith & Co. This house was founded in 1875 by Messrs. Goldsmith & Fletcher and was conducted by them till 1878, when Mr. Fletcher retired and Mr. Goldsmith became sole proprietor, conducting the business under the firm name of P. Goldsmith & Co. He has built up an immense trade, while the fame and reputation of this popular house has extended to all parts of the country. These important results are attributable to the fact that Mr. Goldsmith has been thoroughly educated to the business and has made it a close practical study, exhibiting that fertility of conception and grasp of what are novelties and will readily take with the public and manufactures accordingly. The premises occupied comprise two spacious buildings, one of four stories, 65x90 feet in dimensions, the other of three stories, 30x50 feet in area, completely fitted with all modern machinery and appliances necessary for the systematic conduct of the business. The machinery is operated by a powerful steam engine, while one hundred and fifty operatives are employed in the various departments of these extensive factories. Mr. Goldsmith manufactures largely base balls, doll bodies and heads, indestructible patent dolls, dressed dolls, base ball goods in general, novelty toys, and paper boxes. These goods are unsurpassed for finish, quality, and excellence in the market. The system which prevails in this establishment indicates the most careful supervision, while the judgment and taste displayed in the manufacture of the stock proclaim the proprietor to be thoroughly acquainted with the demands of a critical trade. Mr. Goldsmith was born in Germany but has resided in America for the last quarter of a century and is greatly respected in mercantile life for his business capacity and integrity. This business has ever been conducted on the just principles of equity, and those interested entering into relations with this house will obtain advantages in goods and prices difficult to be secured elsewhere.

Fred. Rehfuß, Manufacturer of Carriages, Buggies, and all kinds of Wagons, Nos. 244 to 250 Pike Street.—This is quite an extensive and long-established business, one of the best known and most prominent of its kind in this city. It was founded in 1852 on Pike street by Mr. John Rehfuß, father of the present proprietor, and he removed the business to its present location in 1876. In that year he took his son, Mr. Fred. Rehfuß, into partnership, and the style of the house then became John Rehfuß & Son. In 1830 the founder died and since then his son has conducted the business under its present style of Fred. Rehfuß. In 1883 this gentleman erected the premises he now occupies at Nos. 244 to 250 Pike street. These premises comprise a three-story brick building, 39x110 feet in dimensions,

and a one-story frame building covering an area of 40x60 feet. The mechanical equipments of the establishment are of the most modern and efficient description, and from twelve to fifteen experienced and competent workmen are employed. The facilities of the establishment for the manufacture of fine light and heavy carriages, buggies, and all kinds of wagons are of the most perfect kind, and are unexcelled by those of any competing establishment. Only the best seasoned materials are used, and the products of the establishment have a high reputation for beauty of design and finish and for first-class workmanship and durability. The house has a large city trade, and also a fine business connection in the surrounding country towns. Mr. Rehfuß is a native of Covington and thirty-three years of age. He has been bred and reared in the business, is acquainted with its every detail, and his business policy is one of reliability and integrity.

H. F. Blase, Tailor and Clothier, No. 540 Madison Street.—The love of dress is as innate in one sex as in the other. Fashion exerts a potent influence in our every-day life, and it has been well said "as well be out of the world as out of the fashion." Recognizing this fact, it is a pleasure to point out to our gentlemen readers in Covington and vicinity an establishment where reliable and stylish garments are made to order or sold already made in all varieties and patterns to suit the purchaser. This is the house of Mr. H. F. Blase, the tailor and clothier, at No. 540 Madison street. Mr. Blase has been established here since 1868 and has ever been known as the largest dealer in his line here and the most popular. His store is 25x65 feet in dimensions and always stocked with a full and complete assortment of ready-made clothing and imported and domestic fabrics for suitings. Constant employment is given to forty hands, all skilled in the art of manufacture, and a class of work is turned out in this department which reflects the highest credit upon the skill and accuracy of the maker and the enterprising and progressive management of the proprietor. A business of \$50,000 is transacted annually and the patronage is ever increasing. Terms are invariably cheap for cash. Mr. Blase was born in Indiana in 1843, came to this city in 1868, and is a gentleman of enterprise and business push.

Meyer & Deiterman, Manufacturers and Dealers in all kinds of Furniture, Carpets, Oil-Cloth, Rugs, and Mats, No. 60 Pike Street.—The perfection attained in the manufacture of furniture may be plainly seen in the work turned out by the above firm. The factory and warerooms are comprised in a three-story brick building, 25x65 feet in dimensions, and equipped with all the necessary improved implements. The firm are manufacturers of and dealers in all kinds of furniture of superior makes, carpets, oil-cloths, rugs and mats, etc., besides executing upholstering in all its best styles. This business was established at No. 38 Pike street with a very modest beginning, moving into the present quarters in 1884. The members of the firm, Messrs. Fred. J. Meyer and Joseph Deiterman, are well known business men of enterprise and natives of Cincinnati. In February, 1886, the overflow of their business rendered a branch house advisable, which was opened at that date at No. 626 Madison avenue.

Frank Gofton, Fine Shirtmaker, Underwear to order, No. 409 Scott Street.—To show what the city of Covington produces, the extent and character of its resources, and the attractions it offers to all classes of buyers as a purchasing centre is our mission at this time, and among those houses which are doing much to enhance its reputation both at home and abroad is that of Mr. Frank Gofton, the well-known shirtmaker, at No. 409 Scott street. Mr. Gofton has been established in this business here since 1883, and has also an establishment in Cincinnati, located at Nos. 54 and 56 West Fourth street. His store in Covington is 16x40 feet in dimensions, and employment is given to a competent corps of shirtmakers who are skilled in the business. Shirts and underwear of all kinds are made to order at the shortest notice. All goods are made in a superior manner, no inferior materials are ever used, and perfect satisfaction is always assured. The patronage of the house extends throughout the State of Kentucky and is annually increasing. The demand at this writing is greater than the supply, but with increased facilities and larger capacity, which is already projected, the proprietor will be able to fill all orders promptly. His prices are the very lowest, and his methods of dealing are square and honorable in the highest degree. Mr. Gofton is a native of this city, born in 1857, is a member of the K. of P., and a gentleman of excellent social and business standing.

James W. Walker, Dealer in Dry Goods and Carpets, Housefurnishing Goods, etc., Nos. 601 and 603 Madison Street.—This house has been established for twenty-five years, and has had a prosperous career. Mr. Walker enjoys an excellent trade throughout the city and vicinity, and carries a large stock of staple and fancy dry goods, carpets, and housefurnishing goods, etc., at lowest possible prices. The premises consist of a handsome store of two floors and basement, each 50x80 feet in dimensions and admirably arranged. With close and careful buying from importers and manufacturers and ever on the alert for the latest and most desirable novelties, the facilities of this house are not surpassed by any house in Covington or vicinity. A number of polite and attentive clerks are employed. The different departments are stocked with every new and desirable article belonging to them, and it is one of the most desirable houses with which to form business relations.

James Kelly, Merchant Tailor, No. 532 Madison Avenue.—Among those engaged in the merchant tailoring business who have acquired an enviable reputation and patronage may be named Mr. James Kelly. He established himself here during the present year with the laudable intention of furnishing the citizens of Covington and vicinity with the finest and most fashionably made clothing at a fair price, in which he has already succeeded far beyond his most sanguine expectations. He occupies a fine, large store, 16x45 feet in dimensions, fitted up in excellent style, and all its surroundings attractive to the most cultured and educated taste. Fine custom work is the specialty of the business, and a corps of six skilled hands are now employed, and an addition being necessitated when the season opens. Measures are taken and genuine, well-fitting garments are supplied at short notice. The proprietor is one of the most accurate and successful

cutters in the city and a perfect fit is guaranteed. The patronage is equally divided between Cincinnati and Covington. Mr. Kelly was born in Cincinnati in 1858, but has been a resident of Covington since 1863.

T. W. Sandford & Co., Auctioneers, Real Estate, and Note Brokers, etc., No. 505 Madison Avenue.—Messrs. T. W. Sandford & Co. make a specialty of and give their personal attention to the sale of furniture at private residences, and attend with the greatest punctuality and fidelity to all the duties of an auctioneer. The business was established in 1880, and the firm have built up a large and influential patronage. They have a fine sales-room, 18x75 feet in dimensions, and sales of furniture, etc., are frequently held here. The firm are also real estate and note brokers. They buy, sell, and exchange for clients real estate of every description, let property, collect rents, and manage the estates of non-resident and other owners carefully and efficiently. They also negotiate mortgages, loans, etc., and collect outstanding accounts. The principal member of the firm, Mr. T. W. Sandford, is a native of Boone county, Ky., is thirty-six years of age, and has resided in Covington since 1862. He has been a constable for three years, was deputy city clerk for eight years, and deputy assessor for three years. He is a member of the Friendship Lodge of the Knights of Pythias, and is now secretary of the Castle Covington Lodge of the Knights of the Golden Rule.

J. A. Reed, Dealer in Staple and Fancy Groceries, Northwest corner of Seventh and Scott Streets—One of the most enterprising and successful dealers in the city is Mr. J. A. Reed, the well-known grocer. Mr. Reed first began the business here in 1855, conducting it very successfully for a period of twenty years, when he retired to the country, returning after a ten years' absence, in 1885, to renew his former business life. He occupies a store 16x38 feet in dimensions, which is nicely stocked with the choicest country produce and both staple and fancy groceries to be found anywhere. His facilities for procuring fresh products from the country are rarely equaled, and enable him to supply his customers with the most desirable goods daily and at extremely low prices. His trade is large and permanent throughout the city. Mr. Reed was born in Virginia fifty-four years ago, and came to Covington in 1847. His large and ripe experience has gained him a high reputation as a merchant.

E. L. Pieck, New Pharmacy, Northwest corner Sixth and Main Streets.—The "New Pharmacy" has a wide popularity throughout the city. The business was first established in 1877 at the northeast corner of the same streets, and was removed to its new location in October, 1885. The store is 18x30 feet in dimensions, and very handsomely fitted up for the display of an elegant stock of goods. The assortment consists of a fine line of drugs, chemicals, family medicines, toilet articles, perfumery, and cigars, all of which are offered at the lowest possible prices. The drug and prescription trade is especially large. Mr. Pieck is a native of this city, a graduate of the Kentucky State Board of Pharmacy in 1878, and a young man of enterprise.

Henry Terlau, Watchmaker and Jeweler, No. 710 Madison Avenue, opposite the Seventh Street Market.—The public have had a lengthened opportunity of testing the quality of the finish and the accuracy of the goods dealt in by Mr. Henry Terlau, watchmaker and jeweler, who has been in this business in Covington for the past twenty-eight years. He embarked in the business long before Covington was what it now is, and when every line of business was still in a condition of infancy. He had a small beginning, and to-day he is found occupying the finest, most attractive, and most extensive jewelry establishment in the city. In 1885 he built the premises he now occupies at the address indicated specially for his business. The store is 18x75 feet in dimensions. The fixtures, which cost about \$3,000, are of cherry. The walls and counters are covered with splendid celluloid and plate-glass show-cases in unique designs, and there are upright cases for the display of wares. Among the business accessories are three large fire and burglar-proof iron safes; and, taken altogether, the store is one of the most attractive in the city. The stock is extensive and valuable, and embraces diamonds of the purest water and other precious stones, jewelry of every description and in the most tasteful and fashionable designs, gold and silver watches of foreign and domestic manufacture; silverware, clocks, spectacles, gold and silver-headed canes, etc., in great variety. Mr. Terlau is the agent for the celebrated Columbus watches, of which he has always on hand a large and choice stock. A prominent feature of the business is the repairing of watches, clocks, and jewelry; and the artistic engraving of monogram letters and ornamental devices. The house enjoys a first-class business connection, and its transactions represent about \$35,000 a year. Mr. Terlau, who was born in Germany fifty-seven years ago, has been a citizen of Covington for the past thirty-four years.

John R. Coppin's Old-Established Dry Goods Store, No. 533 Madison Street.—The well-known establishment of Mr. John R. Coppin was founded in 1873, and has gained the favor of a large and discriminating class of customers. In 1881 Mr. Coppin removed to his present very eligible location, No. 533 Madison street. The building consists of two stories and basement, and it covers an area of 25x190 feet. It is neatly fitted-up and admirably arranged throughout. Here is gathered an extensive stock of dry goods, furnishing goods of every description, notions in profusion, and house-furnishing goods in abundance. The salesroom on the first floor is fitted-up with the Lamson cash-railway system. On the shelves and counters there is an ample display of dress goods in silk, satin, woolen, velvet, cotton, etc., in all the latest patterns and designs, gloves, hosiery, ribbons, laces, embroideries, handkerchiefs, linen goods, cotton fabrics, smallwares, notions, etc. The second floor is devoted to the display of lace-curtains, shawls, cloaks, quilts, jerseys, etc., and in the basement are shown blankets, woolens, underwear, and general heavy goods. Twenty hands are employed, the patronage is extensive, and business representing over \$100,000 a year is transacted. It is intended to erect an addition to the store of considerable dimensions, three floors with front on Sixth street of forty feet, and then a wholesale department will be inaugu-

rated. The new building will be furnished with the latest modern improvements and will be illuminated by electric lights. It will be the most extensive in its line in Covington, and will compare favorably with any of the Cincinnati houses. Mr. Coppin was born in Cincinnati thirty-six years ago, and his enterprise has been characterized by great liberality and the careful fostering of the interests of all patrons.

G. W. Howell, Painter and Dealer in Paints, Painters' Materials, French and American Window and Plate Glass, No. 632 Madison Avenue.—One of the largest and best known business houses in Covington is that of Mr. G. W. Howell, at No. 632 Madison avenue. Mr. Howell possesses the distinction of being the proprietor of the only paint store kept in this city. This business was established in 1856 by Messrs. Howell & Clendening. On the decease of Mr. Clendening in 1884, Mr. Howell became sole proprietor, and has since continued the sole proprietor. Mr. Howell carries on a very extensive business in house-painting and as a dealer in paints, oils, and glass, which he sells in both wholesale and retail quantities, shipping his goods all over the United States. He is also an inventor of note, having invented the Howell patent wheel, and the Howell patent rain-water cut-off for cisterns. This latter article is an especially ingenious and valuable invention, and it has been awarded the highest premium wherever exhibited. The Howell patent wheel is intended for wheelbarrows and other purposes. It is a strictly suspension wheel and the lightest in the market for its sustaining power. It is so constructed that the strain of the weight is sustained upon all the spokes equally and not upon one only, as in the case of other wheels. Mr. Howell has a large demand for these wheels, and sold large quantities of them last year. The store, warerooms, and workshops of this establishment are somewhat extensive, giving a ground floor of three thousand eight hundred and twenty feet. The warerooms are filled with a large stock of goods, all of the best qualities. Twenty workmen find employment. Mr. Howell is a native of Covington, and is now in his fiftieth year. He is a popularly known and highly esteemed townsman, and has served two terms as a member of the City Council, and three terms as member of the City School Board.

John Evans' Store, Southeast corner Scott Street and Park Place, Staple and Fancy Groceries, Fine Teas and Coffees specialties.—The Evans Store is under the popular management of Mr. John Evans, who deals largely in staple and fancy groceries, fine teas and coffees, and the best brands of flour, and is located at the southeast corner of Scott street and Park place. The business was established in 1872, and has, since its inception, controlled a large and steadily increasing retail trade. The store is 16x60 feet, with a large wareroom for the storage of flour. The special lines of goods dealt in are tea and flour, and in these two important commodities he has steadily maintained a high reputation for the quality of the goods and their economy in price. Three clerks are employed in the store, goods are delivered free of charge, and prompt attention is accorded to every patron. Mr. Evans is a native of North Wales, thirty-eight years of age, and has resided in Covington since 1872.

A. Glover, Manufacturer of Fine Shoes, No. 503 Scott Street.—It is infinitely cheaper in the end to buy a good article and pay the necessary price. The difference in price between a poor pair of shoes and an excellent pair is slight, and often an extra dollar procures a pair that will outwear two pairs of those sold by the ordinary so-called "cheap cash" stores. To those who can appreciate this we commend the well-known establishment of Mr. A. Glover, manufacturer of ladies', misses', children's, and gentlemen's fine shoes. He has a finely fitted store, 16x55 feet in space, and affording ample opportunity for the display of his large and varied stock to the fullest advantage, and assisted by four competent clerks. Mr. Glover's specialty is hand-sewed custom-work, and those who prefer having their shoes made to measure can be accommodated with any style they may see fit to order; in fact, Mr. Glover's success in this department has been so marked that he fully intends to seek a suitable location and begin the wholesale manufactory of boots and shoes at an early date, and has already purchased the necessary plant, machinery, etc. Mr. Glover was born in England something over fifty years since, and has been in Covington fully thirty years. He established the present business in 1881, and owing to his reputation for integrity has always enjoyed a most liberal support.

W. S. Nock & Co., Plumbers, Gas, and Steam Fitters, No. 738 Madison Avenue.—The efficient, practical plumber is an essential to the comfort of the community, and a few words concerning the popular and well-known house of W. S. Nock & Co., No. 738 Madison avenue, who make a specialty of sanitary plumbing, will prove of interest to our readers. This establishment was founded in 1853 by Mr. W. S. Nock under the firm-style of W. S. Nock & Co. He is a native of Dublin, Ireland, is fifty-four years of age, and has been a resident in Covington for the past thirty years. In 1882 he took his son, Mr. J. A. Nock, who was born in this city twenty-four years ago, into partnership. The firm occupy at the address indicated a store recently remodeled, 15x80 feet in dimensions, and employ a staff of eight competent workmen. Every description of sanitary plumbing is executed satisfactorily and at reasonable rates. The firm also have a large patronage in gas-fitting, and they do an extensive business in steam-fitting for distilleries, mills, etc. A full line of gas fixtures and oil lamps may also be found here.

Gausepohl & Heidel, Manufacturers of Fine Cigars, No. 1004 Madison Avenue.—A noted headquarters for the finest grades of cigars and tobacco in the city of Covington is the house of Messrs. Gausepohl & Heidel, who are large manufacturers of fine cigars and dealers in all kinds of smoking and chewing tobacco. This firm have been in business here since March, 1885, and have already gained a wide reputation for their goods and an excellent standing as successful manufacturers and enterprising merchants. They occupy a store 22x45 feet in dimensions, and do a large business, both wholesale and retail. Employment is given to a competent force of hands, and the principal brands of cigars manufactured are the "Far West," the "Oriole," "Our Fire Department," "Skaters' Delight," and the "Avenue," all of which retail at five cents, and the "Tips" and

the "G. & H. Pets," which are both ten-cent cigars. The average output is twenty thousand per month, and the demand is always equal to the supply. The members of the firm are Messrs. F. J. Gausepohl and J. P. Heidel, both natives of Ohio.

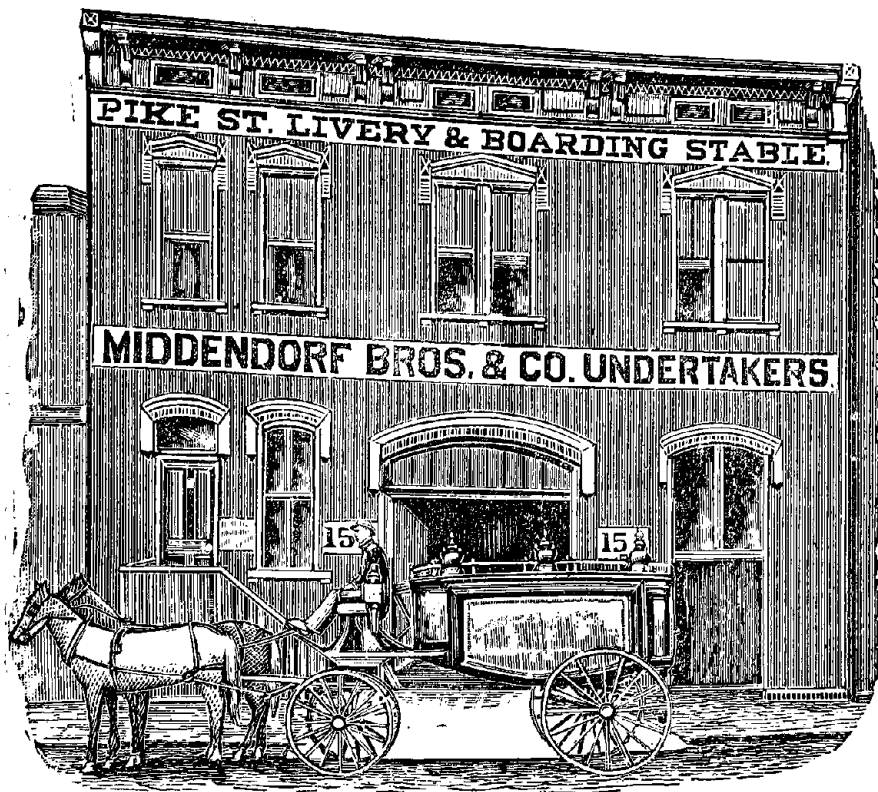
J. J. Sawyer, Wholesale and Retail Groceries, No. 623 Madison Avenue.—Among the most reputable houses engaged in the grocery trade in the city is that of Mr. J. J. Sawyer. Mr. Sawyer is a wholesale and retail dealer in groceries, and has been established in the business here since 1882. He occupies a large and well-appointed store, 15x50 feet in dimensions. The stock is always large and complete, and includes every kind of groceries known to the trade. The leading specialties of the trade are flour and canned fruit goods. Mr. Sawyer has large and rare facilities for supplying this class of trade with the best goods in the market, and successfully caters for its patronage. His yearly sales amount to \$25,000, and are steadily on the increase. He ships his goods throughout all the State, and his patrons everywhere speak in the highest terms of their uniform excellence. Mr. Sawyer was born in Kentucky thirty years ago; is a member of the I. O. O. F. and K. of P.

F. H. Shafer, Fishing Rods, No. 24 East Fifth Street.—Mr. F. H. Shafer carries on a business dear to all sportsmen. He established his present business of selling the very best of fishing rods and dealing in fishing tackle of every description in the year 1874. In 1876 he moved into his present quarters. Mr. Shafer began his venture with a capital of just eight dollars cash. He was born in Germany in 1837, and came to this country to settle in Covington in 1842. Besides his trade in fishing articles he also makes a specialty of the manufacture of musical instruments, being an expert musician. He has a patent of his own of which he is very naturally proud. It is called the "Shafer fishing swivel," and surpasses anything in this line ever used by fishermen. Mr. Shafer is a member of the Golden Rule Lodge, and is highly esteemed by all his friends and customers.

Jones & Sine, Contractors and Builders, No. 821 Madison Avenue.—The business of this house was established by Barton & Jones in 1834, and came under the present management in 1886. The premises occupied by the firm are at No. 821 Madison avenue, and consist of a shop 25x60 feet in dimensions, and are furnished with every appliance and mechanical facility for planning and making all kinds of carpenter work, employment being given to five skilled operators. They attend to all kinds of jobbing, fitting up, and altering stores, furnishing plans and specifications, and enter into contracts for the construction of dwellings, warehouses, etc., upon the most reasonable terms. These gentlemen are practical men of skill and ability, and many specimens of their work are to be found in Covington and vicinity. Messrs. J. W. Jones and O. P. Sine constitute the firm, the former a native of Virginia and the latter of Covington, and both men are in middle life and much respected and esteemed in the community. Their work is altogether done by contract, and parties who have entered into business relations with them have never failed to have their terms complied with and satisfaction given.

Middendorf Bros. & Co., Undertakers, Pike Street Livery and Boarding Stables, No. 153 and 155 Pike Street.—This enterprise was founded about sixteen years ago by the late Mr. Middendorf, who

and experienced hands he is prepared to meet all the exigencies of his large business. He goes twice annually to New York city to purchase his goods, and for the past five years has done an annual business of \$25,000. His store is 25x31 feet in size, finely appointed throughout, and always well stocked. His trade is very large in the city of Cincinnati and steadily increasing. Mr. Mabus was born in Germany fifty-five years ago, and has resided in Covington since '67.



conducted it until his death in 1881, since which time it has been managed by his widow and his son, Mr. John N. Middendorf, under the firm-style of Middendorf Bros. & Co. The premises occupied for the business comprise a two-story building, covering an area of 37x137 feet. The firm make a specialty of providing all necessaries for and superintending the interment of the dead, and this is done at reasonable rates and to the entire satisfaction of their patrons. The firm have their premises open day and night, are always prepared to give the most prompt attention to all orders, and to furnish wood and metallic burial cases, hearses, and carriages, shrouds, and shrouding material of every kind. Burial cases suited for transportation to any part of the Union are supplied immediately upon the receipt of notice. The firm also let out horses, carriages, etc., on hire to responsible parties, and keep a stock of eighteen horses, hacks, and other vehicles, and furnish carriages and competent drivers for weddings, etc. They also take horses to board by the day, week, or month, and every care and attention is given them by experienced grooms.

John Mabus, the Tailor, No. 724 Madison Avenue.—Since starting his business in Covington in 1880, Mr. Mabus has won a host of patrons, who have all their garments made entirely by him. While all work is cut out with the greatest precision, and the figures in the measurement book faithfully followed, particular attention is paid to adapting the garment to the requirements of the form of the person for whom it is made. Consequently Mr. Mabus stands at the head of the merchant tailoring trade in this city. He keeps on hand a large and carefully selected stock of the finest imported and domestic fabrics and the necessary trimmings. With the assistance of ten skilled

feet, and well equipped. The first floor is given up to the retail department, and here is to be seen a very large and elegant stock of modern furniture of all kinds. The trade is both wholesale and retail. A leading specialty is in upholstery and the manufacture of mattresses, in which branch of the trade this house has a high reputation for first-class work. Mr. Rawe was born in Germany forty-six years ago and came to this country in 1859, and has built up a fine business by the exercise of honest and enterprising methods.

J. J. Youngmans, Dealer in Choice Family Groceries, Fresh Meat and Vegetables, Nos. 400 and 402 Madison Street.—The house of J. J. Youngmans, which, for enterprise and honorable treatment of its numerous customers, has acquired deservedly high reputation in commercial circles, was founded in 1876 by Mr. Youngmans. He is a native of Lancaster, O., thirty-two years of age, and has resided in Covington since 1875. His store, which is eligibly and centrally located at No. 402 Madison street, is 45x60 feet in dimensions. It is very neatly fitted up, and the stock is both an extensive and comprehensive one. It includes staple and fancy groceries, teas, coffees, canned goods, spices, table delicacies of every description, a continual supply of choice, fresh beef, mutton, and other meats, vegetables and country produce in season, cigars, tobacco, nails, notions, etc. The patronage of the establishment is both large and influential, and the exigencies of the business require the permanent employment of five assistants and two delivery wagons. All orders intrusted to the house are faithfully attended to, and filled with the most creditable exactitude. Mr. Youngmans is a member of the Knights of Pythias and of the National Union Lodge, and in other ways connected with this city's beneficial organizations.

H. Roetken, Wall Paper Depot, Southwest corner Banklick and Riddle Streets.—To the most commendable beautifying of our homes nothing contributes in proportion to the smallness of its cost as carefully chosen wall papers. The manufacturers of late years been made keenly alive to this fact, and the result is that hundreds of thousands are now annually spent in procuring the most artistic and novel designs and making them up in the most attractive manner. One of the best known dealers in this city is Mr. H. Roetken, whose fine stores are situated at No. 1 southwest corner of Banklick and Riddle streets, and at No. 411 Scott street, where he keeps constantly on hand all the latest and many of the old, well-tried, and approved patterns of both French and American wall papers, besides paperhangings, and an endless assortment and variety of window shades, giving constant employment to nine hands, and doing as brisk business as any one in his line in the city. Mr. Roetken is a native of Germany, being born there in 1833, and has been in Covington upward of thirty-five years. He established his present business some twenty years ago, and his reputation for keen appreciation of every detail in the conduct of his affairs and sedulous study to please has won him a wide circle of patrons and friends.

Joseph Bryant, Dealer in Green, Roasted, and Ground Coffees, Tea, Mustard, Spices, etc., Nos. 78 and 80 Pike Street.—Special attention is directed to the old-established Kentucky Spice Mills, under the proprietorship of Mr. Joseph Bryant, widely known as a dealer in green, roasted, and ground coffees, teas, and spices, and manufacturer of Eureka baking powder and mustard. The business was founded in 1856 by Messrs. J. Bryant & Co., at the corner of Ninth and Banklick streets. In 1874 Mr. Bryant assumed the sole proprietorship, and removed to his present location. Here he occupies a large two-story brick building, 30x250 feet in dimensions, thoroughly equipped with machinery and mechanical appliances for the successful prosecution of the business. The principal specialties are the roasting of coffee, the grinding of spices, and the manufacture of Eureka baking powder and of mustard. A large trade, both wholesale and retail, has been developed, the sales amounting to \$75,000 per annum. A stock amounting in value to \$27,000 is carried. City or country orders, or from any station on the Kentucky Central and Louisville Railroads, are promptly attended to. Mr. Bryant was born in Canada fifty-eight years ago, and came to Covington in 1853.

Rudolph Walker, Bakery and Grocery, No. 1112 Madison Avenue.—Mr. Rudolph Walker has consolidated two of the most necessary and useful of trades, that of bakery and groceries. He was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, forty-six years ago, and removed and settled in Covington some thirty years ago. His present establishment was started as far back as 1860, and in 1864 he removed to the present location, where he has since carried on such a profitable business. The building in which this latter is situated is an ample one and measures 18x95 feet, giving plenty of room for each branch of the business. The bakery is the picture of neatness, and in the way of groceries the very best in the market can be had. Mr. Walker is an exceedingly careful business man, and is an honored member of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows.

C. G. Anderson, Photographer, No. 718 Madison Avenue.—The leading photographer in the city is Mr. C. G. Anderson, who established himself here in December, 1885, as the successor to the new Photograph Art Company. He occupies the ground floor, 15x112 feet in dimensions, and makes a specialty of fine portraits and photographic work of all kinds. His pictures, while true to nature, seem to be an improvement on the human face divine, and the pose of his pictures is perfection itself. He learned his profession with Mr. F. W. Guerin, of St. Louis, who received a bronze medal, the only medal given an American artist at the Centennial Exposition in Paris in 1878. Mr. Anderson is therefore thoroughly trained in his art. In connection with his photographic work he executes portraits in crayon, oil, pastel, etc., in the finest style of the art. He can consequently suit all tastes, and one trial of his skill will convince the most incredulous and critical of his powers as an artist. His prices are extremely low, and prompt attention is given to the wants of every patron. Mr. Anderson is a native of Georgia, thirty years of age, and a young man whose future, in the pursuit of his profession, looks very promising.

Mrs. M. M. Thornton, Fashionable Millinery Bazaar, No. 808 Madison Avenue.—Among fashionable folk, the millinery interest is of the very greatest importance, and novelty will always find a liberal patronage. Mrs. M. M. Thornton is a lady who thoroughly appreciates this fact. She has a really elegant emporium, handsomely fitted with cherry woods, plate-glass windows, show cases, and mirrors, lace curtains, rich carpets, and every facility for exhibiting her handsome stock. Here the intending purchaser will always obtain the latest designs in hat shapes, birds, ribbons, feathers, etc., in endless variety. Mrs. Thornton makes a specialty of stamping and pinking, embroidery and silk plushes, and does a business equal to any in the city, the majority of her goods being purchased and forwarded direct from Cincinnati. Mrs. Thornton is a native of Ohio, and has been established here since 1881, and at the present location since 1885. She employs a full staff of carefully selected and competent assistants, who, under her direction and constant personal supervision, turn out the highest class of work.

Benjamin Crawford, Groceries, Northeast corner of Fourth and Greenup Streets, Belle Crawford, Manager.—If you wish for the very best quality of groceries and save money by economy in prices you should pay a visit to this most deserving place. It was established in 1885 by Mr. Benjamin Crawford, who has been the nominal head of the house ever since that time. In fact, Mr. Crawford has arrived at an age (he is seventy-six years old) when a man may with propriety retire from active participation in business. His place, however, is amply filled in the management of the business by Miss Belle Crawford, his daughter, who carries on the trade with efficiency and commercial talent. The store is large, measuring 25x45 feet. The business is a remarkably good one. Miss Crawford's ability as manageress is doubted by no one, and she is highly esteemed by all for her many pleasant qualities. She is ably assisted by her agreeable and pleasant sister, Miss Florence.

Joseph Bailer, Fashionable Merchant Tailor, No. 420 Scott Street.—Well-fitting garments in these modern days have become more than ever a necessity, and we are conferring a benefit upon our readers in pointing out where these are to be obtained in perfection at moderate prices. A leading house in this line of trade in Covington as a merchant tailor is that of Mr. Joseph Bailer, whose place of business is located at No. 420 Scott street, in Boone Block. Mr. Bailer has been established in this business since 1867, and during that period has built up a large and splendid trade derived from the best classes in the community. He occupies commodious premises, 16x80 feet in size, where a large stock of imported suitings, broadcloths, worsted, cassimeres, diagonals, etc., are shown, and every attention given to all the details of the business. The facilities of the house for the prompt execution of orders are unsurpassed, and embrace a force of some fifty skilled workmen. The operations of these workmen are all under the immediate supervision of Mr. Bailer, who is a merchant tailor of long experience, is acquainted with every branch, and is an artist in his profession. He is in the enjoyment of a capital business, which extends throughout Covington and Cincinnati, and is ever on the increase. To those who require a high grade of custom clothing his house commends itself as one that can be implicitly relied upon to furnish only such garments as are perfect in style, cut, and superior workmanship. Mr. Bailer is a native of Germany, where he was born in 1839. He has resided in this city ever since 1866, and is a well-known, prominent citizen and a representative business man.

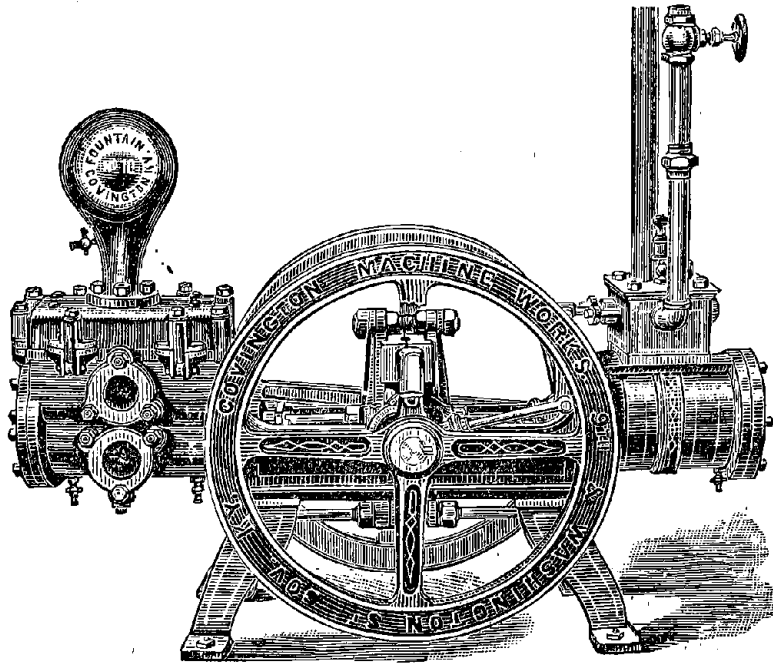
Crigler & Crigler, Distillers of Fine Sour-Mash Whiskies, Office and Salesrooms, No. 7 Pike Street.—In the distillation of fine sour-mash whiskies the house of Messrs. Crigler & Crigler has long held a leading position, and is noted for the success which has attended its exertions in fully meeting all the requirements of the trade. This business was founded in 1874 by Messrs. Mullin & Crigler, and was conducted by them until 1880, when the present firm was organized, the copartners being Messrs. L. N. and R. L. Crigler. Messrs. Crigler & Crigler are the sole owners of the widely known Woodland Distillery, Lexington, and of the Buffalo Spring Distillery, Scott county, Ky. These distilleries are equipped with all modern apparatus and appliances known to the trade. The specialties of this popular house are Woodland Distillery old fashion hand-made sour-mash copper whisky and Buffalo Springs hand-made sour-mash whisky. For excellence, purity, and evenness of quality, the above are unsurpassed by any whiskies in the market. They are entirely free from adulteration, and possess a natural flavor and fine tonic properties. The premises occupied in Covington comprise a spacious and commodious three-story building, 30x75 feet in dimensions, equipped with every convenience and facility. The firm likewise imports largely ports, sherry, clarets, champagnes, brandies, gin, and rum, which for excellence and purity have no superiors in the market. The enterprise of this responsible house has been fully illustrated by the superior quality of the goods placed on the market.

R. H. Echert, Confectioner, Nos. 401, 403, and 405 Madison Avenue.—Probably no business

has had a more rapid growth during the past twenty years than the manufacture of confectionery. The leading establishment in this line of trade in Covington and vicinity is that of Mr. Robert H. Echert, who is located at Nos. 401, 403, and 405 Madison avenue. Mr. Echert established the business here in 1879 at No. 408 Madison avenue in a very small way, employing two assistants, and has steadily increased his facilities with the demands of the trade until he has gained a position in the business circles of the city of which he may well be proud. He removed to his present quarters three years ago, and now occupies a large three-story brick building, 50x52 feet in dimensions, finely equipped with steam power and every facility for rapid and successful production. His store is 25x30 feet in size, embracing an ice-cream saloon of the same size, furnished throughout with elegance and comfort, plate-glass show cases, marble-top tables, walnut fixtures, and a handsome soda fountain, together with every convenience for the reception of large or small parties. His output embraces ice-cream, fine candies and confections, cakes, etc., and his trade, both wholesale and retail, is large and influential throughout the city, his sales amounting to \$20,000 per annum. Purity is the main essential with the goods of this establishment, and to-day the difficulty to obtain candies and confectionery free of adulteration and deleterious substances is so great that the advantages of dealing with a house making none but the best and purest of goods are at once manifest. Popular prices prevail, and the business methods of the proprietor are enterprising, honorable, and straightforward. Mr. Echert is a native of Cincinnati, thirty-one years of age, and a caterer of excellent taste and good judgment, whose success in business has been well deserved.

D. C. Culbertson & Bro., Manufacturers of Saw Mill Lumber and Wood Pumps, corner Second and Main Streets.—Among the enterprises which have contributed largely toward making the city of Covington an important manufacturing centre is the Covington Saw Mill and Hope Pump Works of Messrs. D. C. Culbertson & Bro., located at the corner of Second and Main streets. This firm have become widely known both as manufacturers of saw mill lumber and of wood pumps. The business was first established in 1850 by Mr. A. J. Alexander, and after several changes in proprietorship the present firm succeeded in 1875, both members having been part owners since 1874. The premises occupied by the firm are large and spacious and thoroughly equipped in every department. The saw mill is 50x100 feet in dimensions, with extensive lumber yards covering five acres of ground. The pump works are in a separate building, which is 35x175 feet, equipped with three steam boilers and a one hundred and twenty-five-horse power engine. Thirty hands are employed altogether, and the sales of the firm amount to \$150,000 per year. They ship their lumber to different points in the North, East, and West, while their pumps and tubing go all over the United States. Their prices have been invariably fair and equitable, while their dealings are ever straightforward and honorable. The members of the firm are Messrs. Dwight C. and Xerxes W. Culbertson, both natives of Edinboro, Erie county, Pa., in the prime of life, and residents of Covington since 1860.

Covington Machine Works, P. J. Cremins, Practical Machinist and Engineer, Builder of Steam Engines, Steam Pumps, Steam Fittings, and all kinds of Mill Work, etc., Ninth and Wash-



ington Streets.—One of the most notable establishments of Covington devoted to the manufacturing of general machinery and the building of steam engines, steam pumps, steam fittings, etc., is that of Mr. P. J. Cremins, of the Covington Machine Works. Mr. Cremins founded his enterprise in 1880, at the Kentucky Central Railroad Depot, and in 1883 removed his operations to his present works. Here he occupies a one-story brick building, 30x60 feet in dimensions. It is equipped with three planers, three lathes, a drill press, and all other necessary tools and appliances, and the machinery is operated by a thirty-horse power steam engine. Mr. Cremins, who was born in Ireland thirty-five years ago, has been in America for the past thirty years, twenty-five of which he has spent in Covington. He is an experienced and practical machinist and engineer, and all the operations of his establishment are conducted under his personal supervision, thus insuring to his patrons only such productions as will withstand the most critical tests, both with regard to the material used in their construction and the workmanship employed. Steam engines, steam pumps, steam fittings are built to order, and all kinds of machines are constructed, and every description of mill work, hangers, pulleys, and shafting executed. A specialty is made of steam pumps. Estimates are duly furnished for all kinds of engines and machinery, and all descriptions of repairs are executed by experienced and careful workmen in the best manner and at the most moderate prices. Mr. Cremins is the type of the self-made man, who rises by his own exertions from a moderate beginning to a foremost place in the mercantile world.

Boyer & Konersmann, Millers, Wholesale Dealers in Wheat and Rye Flour, also Coarse and Fine Meal and all kinds of Mill Feed, corner Pike and Russell Streets.—Prominent among the large and successful milling establishments in the line of wheat and rye flour is that of Messrs. Boyer & Konersmann, who are widely known as whole-

sale dealers in wheat and rye flours, also in coarse and fine meal and all kinds of mill feed. The business was established here in 1877 by Messrs Graves & Braumledge, who were succeeded by the present firm in 1883. They occupy a large two-story building, 40x100 feet in dimensions, fully equipped for manufacturing and milling purposes, with four burrs for making fine flour, and operated by steam power from an engine of sixty-horse power. The leading product is winter wheat flour, and the capacity of the mill is seventy-five barrels per day. The excellence of the output is becoming well known through a wide extent of country, and a heavy trade has been developed, not only in this vicinity but throughout all the Southern States. The members of the firm are Messrs. Charles Boyer and H. Konersmann. Mr. Boyer was born in Maryland in 1846, and Mr. Konersmann in Germany some thirty-five years ago. They are both gentlemen of practical experience as millers.

Hardebecke & Kluemper, Merchant Tailors, No. 116 Pike Street.—The firm of Hardebecke & Kluemper, merchant tailors, is one of the best

known in this city. Their specialty is custom work, and among their patrons are some of the best citizens of Covington and its vicinity. The business was founded in 1851 by Mr. Herman Hardebecke, at No. 120 Pike street. In 1856 he moved to the present address, and six years later the firm became Hardebecke & Kreinbrink. In 1874 the style was again altered, this time to that of Hardebecke & Son. In 1881 Mr. Hardebecke, Sr., retired from the firm, and the business passed into the hands of his son, Mr. J. F. Hardebecke and Mr. George Kluemper, who have continued it since then with uninterrupted success. The firm have a fine store, its dimensions being 25x60 feet. In it they carry a very well assorted stock of cloths of all the better kinds. Their stock is valued at \$5,000, and their yearly sales amount to \$25,000. A corps of eight skilled tailors are constantly kept at work. Mr. Hardebecke is a native of Covington, and was born thirty-six years ago. His partner, Mr. Kluemper, is a German by birth, is forty-nine years of age, has been in America thirty-two years, and in Covington thirty-one years.

F. Pieper, Watchmaker and Jeweler, and Dealer in Fine Gold and Silver Watches, Silverware and Clocks, No. 616 Madison Street.—Mr. Pieper established himself here in September, 1881, and has become widely known as an extensive dealer in fine gold and silver watches, silverware, and clocks. He occupies a large and attractive store, 18x60 feet in dimensions, finely fitted up with elegant plate-glass show cases, etc. He carries a stock invoiced at \$15,000 and does an annual business of \$30,000. He is agent for the Rockford watch and has an excellent railway patronage in that specialty. Employment is given to four salesmen, repairing of watches and clocks is promptly attended to, and low prices invariably prevail, the trade being large. Mr. Pieper was born in Germany forty-five years ago, and has resided in Covington for the past twenty-five years.

Covington Vienna Bakery and Confectionery, No. 1048 Madison Avenue, William Fenker, Jr., Proprietor.—A place that stands head and shoulders above its competitors in the point of excellence and neatness of appearance is the cozy Covington Vienna Bakery and Confectionery, whose proprietor, Mr. William Fenker, Jr., has for several years catered in the most approved and applauded fashion to the best tastes of the community. The establishment was founded in 1885 by its present manager, and is very centrally located and near many places of amusement. An oyster and ice-cream parlor is a feature of the establishment and tends greatly to attract the younger generation to this charming place. The specialty of the business is cake making of the very finest quality, and is carried on in very large proportions. The establishment employs two assistants and runs a fine delivery wagon. Home-made candy is soon to be added to the number of manufactured articles of the concern. The head of the house, Mr. William Fenker, Jr., is an active and intelligent man of business and highly esteemed by his customers.

Miss Sada L. Spiller, Milliner, No. 818 Madison Avenue.—Our many milliners come frequently in contact with the most hypercritical tastes, and the task of according satisfaction to all is by no means simple. Of those in our city who by nature and experience seem eminently adapted to fulfill all the demands of this most difficult role, we may commend Miss Sada L. Spiller, whose handsome millinery store is located at No. 818 Madison avenue, where she keeps constantly on hand a full stock of millinery goods in every variety and of the very latest novelties. Her finely fitted reception room covers an area of 16x25 feet, and the adjoining work-room contains, besides competent skilled hands, every possible facility for conducting the work with neatness and dispatch. Miss Spiller is a pleasant and amiable lady with whom to do business, and her taste is faultless.

Charles J. Ertel, Pharmacist, Northeast corner of Pike and Craig Streets.—There are few

members of the pharmaceutical profession with better qualifications for the successful prosecution of his vocation than Mr. Charles J. Ertel, whose neat and well-appointed store is located on the northeast corner of Pike and Craig streets. Mr. Ertel, who was born in St. Mary's, Indiana, twenty-five years ago, received his educational preliminary training in Covington, and in 1884 graduated with high honors at the Cincinnati College of Pharmacy. In the same year he purchased his business establishment from Mr. H. H. Penkhaus, who had founded it in 1877. The store is 20x60 feet in dimensions, nicely fitted up and arranged. It is stocked with a fine and complete assortment of fresh drugs and medicines, elegant pharmaceuticals, such as elixirs, Spiehl's elegant perfumery, a great variety of toilet articles, fine sponges, brushes, pocket-books, stationery, violin and guitar strings, Eagle-brand condensed milk, trusses, shoulder braces, supporters and bandages, etc. Mr. Ertel is the sole manufacturer of Chappaine, the most delightful preparation for chapped hands, face, lips, or any roughness of the skin, especially caused by the use of deleterious face powders or cosmetics; also manufacturer of the Latonia Park tooth powder. The compounding of physicians' prescriptions and family recipes is a specialty with him, all orders being accurately filled.

Mrs. Emma Flander, "Home-Made Bakery," No. 814 Madison Avenue.—One of the most attractive establishments in this city is the well-known "home-made bakery" of Mrs. Emma Flander. She has a store 15x30 feet in dimensions, always kept in the most scrupulously neat and cleanly order, and where she keeps always on hand a handsome stock of "home-made" bread, pastries, pies, cakes, and confectionery. Mrs. Flander has her own ovens, and with the assistance of capable employees does all her own baking, etc., and is justly celebrated for its very superior quality. Some two years ago Mrs. Flander was married to Mr. Albert Harden, but still continues the establishment under its original title. Bakers of her merit are rare even in this thickly populated city, and she enjoys a liberal patronage.