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John Talbot Levis

LEVIS, JOHN TALBOT, was born in 1805, in Delaware County, Pennsylvania. His father was a paper manufacturer and farmer, a native of Pennsylvania, of English extraction. John T. Levis received a common-school education, and, at the age of seventeen, began to learn cotton manufacturing. In 1830, he came to Covington, Kentucky, and took charge of a cotton factory, with which he was connected until 1852. At that time he became associated with the Kentucky rolling-mill, and continued as one of its proprietors for several years. He was then connected with the Kentucky Central Railroad, and, from 1856 to 1859, was president of that road, and, after its sale to R. B. Bowler, he continued in charge of the road until 1864. He was a director of the branch of the Northern Bank of Kentucky, at Covington, from its organization, in 1836, until the organization of the First National Bank of Covington, of which he also remained a director until 1875, when he resigned. He has been actively identified with most movements of interest to Covington, and has been a most active and influential citizen. Mr. Levis was married, in 1833, to Miss Harriet Whitehead, of Covington, a native of England. Of their nine children, three only are living—one son and two daughters.

