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A county town is always distinguished by the prevailing features of the section to which it serves as the judicial and social center. Its business and trade interests are also stimulated by the frequent assemblies and

wide influence which its periodical functions give rise to and demand. The town of Goshen, being the county seat of the rich and fertile county of Orange, has for many years reflected those qualities for which this section is famed. The prosperous and energetic farmers of this garden land of the State have for a good part of the now closing century been accustomed to assembly here at intervals, not only for legal business, but also for marketing and on social occasions. There is no spot in any part of this

well known locality more familiar to all its denizens, than the tasteful streets, attractive residences and solid business houses of Goshen.

Apart from its local situation, Goshen has also benefited largely from its favorable railroad facilities and proximity to the great national metropolis. It is just sixty miles from Goshen to New York City, on the N. Y., Lake Erie and Western Railroad, main line, so that it is but a short ride of from two to three hours, and a frequent train service at all times during the day is at the convenience of Goshenites. This fact has added zest to the public and business affairs of the community, as well as enlivened social life, making residence more agreeable and attractive. The citizens of Goshen have always taken great interest in the affairs of the metropolis, enjoying frequently its advantages and amusements, and many of its people are also interested in business and professional matters there. As this has been almost entirely due to the railroad facilities, it is plain that the development of the same has been the most influential thing, from the material standpoint, in the history of the town, and that greater financial progress on this account has been made since the war than in all the rest of the town's history put together. It is but the history of innumerable towns through our wide country, where fortune and destiny have been won by the course of one of these iron thoroughfares of commerce and travel. Goshen is also a terminus for the Walkill Valley R. R., running to Montgomery, with northerly and easterly connections.

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This road, though not of great length, has done much to develop local interests through the county, and to build up Goshen's interests therein. As the junction of two roads, the freight is necessarily and very largely increased. Between the two it has grown to be a favorite point for shippers and also for Summer visitors *en route* to various parts of this delightful region to the west of the Hudson, among the slopes and foothills of the Blue Ridge, and the beautiful valleys between these and the Palisades.

From its name it is easy to observe that the early inhabitants of Goshen must have been scripturally inclined. It signifies a place of abode, taken from the Hebrew, having been given by that people to the region occupied while they were sojourning in the land of Egypt. The region was



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first occupied by the Dutch, or Hollanders, who came via New Amsterdam, now New York. Some of these families settled here as early as 1640, and they were soon afterwards followed by the English from Connecticut and Massachusetts. Some slight friction ensued at first between these representatives of two different systems of life and thought, but mutual interest soon prevailed, and the enterprising New Englander settled down in commercial and social amity with the slower going, yet solid and reliable Dutchman. After the surrender of New York to the English in 1664, the Dutch customs and influence began slowly to wear away, and after a while both their language and manners became little more than a memory. Yet their sturdy and peaceable characteristics made a permanent impression on the growth of this section, affecting favorably the relations maintained with the Indians and also the thorough cultivation of agricultural interests. This section seems never to have suffered from Indian ravages, and except during a part of the Revolution to have known little or nothing of the terrors of war.

The establishment of a strong fortification by Washington at West Point early in the Revolution, which became the center of all military operations around New York, naturally brought the people of Goshen pretty closely into touch with the stirring events and dangers of the time. The place had by this time grown to be quite a village, and its people were devoted and energetic patriots. They served in all of Washington's campaigns, contributing as largely, perhaps more, than any other section to the maintenance of the army supplies and in the care of the sick and wounded. A large number of engagements and the frequent movement of troops in the vicinity, made the war practically the one subject of

thought and action from 1776 to 1781. Two events which excited deep and special interest, were the gallant storming of Stony Point by Mad Anthony Wayne in 1778, and Arnold's despicable attempt to surrender West Point to the British in 1780. It may also be reasonably conjectured with what deep feeling of joy and gratitude all the Goshenites who were able to make the journey, either in or with the troops of Washington, watched the final departure of the British from New York City in 1783.

The close of this protracted and exhausting war left even the fertile farm lands of Orange, now made for the first time into a county upon the organization of State government, in a deplorable condition. It was many years before careful cultivation and effort could establish the old and prosperous



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farming conditions, and indeed until after the war of 1812, this section lay in a sort of lethargic condition. By steady and persistent industry the rural communities, entirely dependent on farming interests, made some quiet progress in wealth and affluence at this time, but the progress was infinitely slow compared with the various lines of development carried forward during the past generation. From 1820 to 1860, the progress began to accelerate, largely because of the commercial development of New York, with the consequent demand which now began to spring up for those special products of the dairy and farm, since become so famous.

But for many years the getting of farm products to market was a matter of such difficulty and time that trade made slow progress, and it was not until the fifth decade of this century, when railroad enterprises began to be planned through this section, that its real strength and advantages began to make their proper impression. A common method of marketing during those times was to cart produce, butter, cheese, apples, grain, etc., to Newburgh and other points on the Hudson, from whence they would be taken on the slow-traveling river steamboats to New York. But this was more expensive than the present quick facilities, and took so much time that extensive trade was impossible. Traveling to New York also took the greater part of two days at that time, either on horseback or by stage, or more commonly via Newburgh and the Hudson River boats. These steamers, now such marvels of palatial ease and elegance, had not then laid aside all the characteristics which had marked Fulton's first experiments in the early part of the century, and with their enormous open side-wheels and labored motion were as often objects of terrified amusement as of admiration and comfort. They had practically no competi-

tion then, so far as speed was concerned. Although their full significance was hardly realized at first, the various railroad enterprises projected through this region from New York as a center about the middle of the century awakened deep interest among the people, and, although not much was accomplished at them until after the War of the Rebellion, still even the discussion and projects tended to awaken trade and commercial development. The various financial panics which swept the country from 1837 to 1857 did not affect Goshen, now grown into a thriving county town, except in an indirect way, and in the low state of trade through New York. The people of this quiet and solid country town were never much inclined to financial vagaries, and the wild speculation in booms and paper cities which



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proved such a universal curse to the country at large. They had a sufficient basis in their rich farm lands for a substantial prosperity, and if it developed slowly it was at least stable in its movements and security.

In the various political agitations precedent to the war the townspeople naturally took considerable interest, as being at the local political center. From an early period their sympathies were largely enlisted against the slave interests, and under Martin Van Buren's leadership many of the people took part in the organization of the Free Soil Party, which paved the way for the overthrow of this great and iniquitous power. It is needless to repeat the details of the honorable part taken by the citizens of Goshen in the great struggle of the Civil War, from 1861-1865. The story is still too familiar and honorably remembered to need extended reference in these pages. It is sufficient for this brief review to affirm the unvarying loyalty and devotion which marked every step of local action and spirit during those troubled times. Volunteers from Goshen responded to the first and to all of the calls for troops, and served with distinction on many a battlefield. Both in money and in the sacrifice of many noble sons Goshen took an honored part among the most generous and devoted towns in the State, and the memory of private sorrow and of public gratitude alike for the great work accomplished will not die away so long as the descendants of those who fought so valiantly and well remain to aid in guiding the destinies of the town. Since the War the opening up of unsurpassed railroad facilities is the event above all others important, and along with it has come manufacturing development and social progress. The various business enterprises have grown up upon a solid basis of favorable situation and steady demand. The wealth of the community has been largely increased, and coincidentally its power to

carry forward all the important industries to which it is adapted. One of the most prominent of these must always be the dairy interest, which the soil of Goshen itself and the immediately adjoining territory is exceptionally well calculated to foster. The magnificent pasturage land has been further improved by careful cultivation, and the quality of stock has been maintained at such a high level that the reputation of the milk, butter and cheese from Orange County holds an enviable and unrivaled position in New York markets. Goshen is a natural center for this great trade, producing a large amount, especially of butter, and also affording a favorite shipping point for the surrounding country. How much of the development of this great trade has been due to Goshen merchants can only be partially estimated, but



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they have been largely rewarded, both by the reputation and pecuniary results of goods made and shipped in this line from Goshen. As might be supposed, the high standard of the agricultural interests has furnished many advantages to the domestic life of the town, both in the way of healthfulness and comfort. The cost of living has been low, while the corresponding character of the necessities of life has been very high, so that the town has offered great attractions to manufacturers and business men who have examined into its various strong points.

Among various lines of industrial operation which have been started and successfully extended since the war are the manufacture of bricks, tiles and earthenware goods, quarry and marble materials, boots, shoes, carriages, furniture and lumber, including dressed wood and moldings of all kinds. These interests have all been greatly stimulated and advanced by the railroad facilities of Goshen and the large market consequently opened up. There are valuable quarry properties in the neighborhood of Goshen, and also very rich deposits of clay, which has proven adaptable to the making of the finest class of bricks, tiles and similar materials.

In connection with the milk trade of this section, it may be added that for the week ending Nov. 22, 1892, the New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad shipped into New York City 303,634 gallons of fluid milk, 1,350 gallons of condensed milk and 8,850 gallons of cream, which together amounted to nearly twice as much as was shipped into New York during the same time by any other railroad coming from New York counties. A very considerable part of this milk traffic on the Erie comes from Orange County, of which Goshen is a very important shipping point. When it is remembered that the fertile fields and valleys of this section are yet very far from being pastured to their full capacity, and that not

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less than 100,000 gallons of milk are consumed in New York City and Brooklyn daily, with their populations constantly increasing, it is clearly evident that this great industry is yet far from reaching its maximum of wealth production and influence. And this does not include the butter and cheese products, which are fully as important. Dairymen of late years have, in addition to the Jersey and Alderney breeds, shown a great predilection for the Holstein cows, some of which in this vicinity are said to give from twenty-eight to forty quarts of milk, on an average, daily.

In reference to the train service of Goshen, it may be further added that the New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad runs twelve trains each way daily, making connections between New York and



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Goshen, and there are also eight trains daily on the Montgomery branch and four daily trains on the branch running to Pine Island. The Pennsylvania, Poughkeepsie and Boston Railroad also runs four daily trains between Goshen, Campbell Hall and Slatington, making important connections and being of especial advantage for the shipment and transfer of milk and other farm products. It is thus apparent that in the way of railroad facilities Goshen is superior to many cities of much larger size, and these advantages could hardly be overestimated.

Being the county seat and having the honor of the court house to sustain, there is necessarily a great deal of legal business and a high standard of professional ability maintained here. The periodical sessions of the court usually attract a considerable assembly, and on special occasions a great crowd gathers to observe the course of some unusual and exciting case. The Board of Supervisors for the county also meet here and transact the important matters connected with taxation, roads and other improvements committed to their charge. The Representative of Goshen at the present time is Hon. A. V. D. Wallace. By the economic and conservative administration of local affairs the village government has been kept in excellent shape. Good roads and careful sanitary provisions have been provided for and every effort put forth to make the condition of the town most healthful and agreeable in every particular. A Village Improvement Society has been organized, which, under enthusiastic and able management, has been able to accomplish a great deal in the way of artistic and sanitary progress. Effort has been especially put forth for the preservation and culture of shade trees, and many of Goshen's streets are especially attractive on this account. Among these the most noticeable are Main street, West and East, Church street, Division street, Green street, Grand street, Greenwich street and Murray avenue.

One interesting feature of recent years has been the steady rise of real estate values, entirely due to the intrinsic value of the situation and properties without any meretricious stimulation, and from the character of the advance there is no reason why it should not be permanent and progressive. New sections of the town have been opened up, and elegant, substantial private residences erected. Improvements also in the way of lighting and local transportation have been brought about by enterprise and good manage-

ment. The population in 1890 was 2,557, and since that time has approached nearer the 3,000 mark. In the way of valuation, for the amount of its territory, Goshen is probably not surpassed by any town in the State outside of great centers.

Owing to the character of its residents, Goshen has always taken a high rank in the matter of education and schools. Many years ago, in the earlier half of the century, several liberal and classical schools were established, affording a range of educational facilities of the very best kind, and the standard has since then been maintained and carried forward. The classical and preparatory schools afford a thorough preparation for the best colleges and universities, and have sent many able representatives to leading institutions through the State and country. Alumni of Yale, Cornell, Harvard, Columbia, Princeton and other strong colleges grace the social life and add to the professional dignity of the town's status. The public schools, from the primary to the highest grades, are also most carefully provided for. Scientific methods and thorough management are brought to bear, and a carefully selected Board of Commissioners exercise constant supervision in keeping the school buildings in every particular, as well as the morals of the teachers on a high plane. Teachers' institutes are encouraged and held here, and the centering of county interests at this point, also makes it possible to combine influences not always so thoroughly obtained. The effort is made to make the schools models of individual excellence and superior methods, and the showing made at Regents' examinations and other competitive tests and exhibitions, go far to substantiate this position. The town expends a liberal sum every year in this way, and universal pride



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is taken in the high standard maintained. This point too, is of importance to all interested in any way in the advance of the town, for the character of the public schools has a great influence in determining residential problems, and is always a strong point of attraction, when well conducted, in any town. Goshen in this respect, may welcome the most rigid observation and criticism with pleasure and confidence, for success obtained in these lines is not the result of hurried, spasmodic effort, but of long, steady

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growth through more than half a century. The churches and religious standard of Goshen are also on a high plane, and indeed it is almost always found that good churches and good schools go together. There are now seven well constructed church edifices, representing the most prominent denominations, and the wide facilities afforded in the way of religious instruction and belief are exceptional for a town of Goshen's size, though not altogether strange considering her position.

There are also a number of other attractive public buildings, including the Music Hall, where entertainments of a high order are constantly brought before the public. Goshenites appreciate a good operatic or theatrical performance, and shows that appreciation by the support given to first class companies. Lecturers and musical organizations are often attracted also to this center of Orange County. Among prominent and modern business blocks are the St. Elms, Van Nort and National Bank buildings. The review of the business interests will best demonstrate how thoroughly the merchants and manufactures have improved and carried forward these interests at this point.

In the line of natural selection for scenic beauty and attractiveness, Goshen need not blush before any of the most charming country towns of the Hudson river valley, or the east slope of the Blue Ridge. With the most varied features of hill and mountain, sloping gently away in the near distance, and rounding up along the remote horizon in stern, blue majesty, the environment of Goshen presents a constant picture of great beauty. To the north is Shawangunk Range, and more to the east the lower ranges of the Palisades. The Hudson is not beyond the reach of a good drive, with West Point and all its attractions near at hand. This is quite a strong point of social attraction to Goshenites, and on many occasions they are enabled to enjoy the dash of military life given by the proximity of the National Academy. Newburgh is also quite a point of business and social interest, being easily and quickly reached by rail, as well as the neighboring city of Middletown. There are various points of marked natural beauty in the immediate vicinity which form strong inducements to Summer visitation and residents. This is a department of local life decidedly on the increase, and certain to grow rapidly as these rural charms become more widely known each year. The rich, extensive farms, beautiful pieces of woodland, and a number of interesting streams and small lakes near at hand, all afford facilities in this department of exceptional weight and influence. An hour's drive around Goshen will reveal more local beauties and attractive scenes than a full Summer's residence will suffice to fully explore. And the ease with which a ride can be taken to the Hudson, West Point, Newburgh, and especially New York, within a few hours, all give advantages which the thoughtful vacationist can not afford to neglect.

REPRESENTATIVE BUSINESS MEN OF GOSHEN.

W. D. VAN VLIET, Manufacturer of and Dealer in Furniture, Bedding, Window Shades, Door Mats, Rugs, etc., Nos. 17 and 19 West Main street, Goshen, N. Y. Within the last quarter of a century the manufacture of Furniture in this country has undergone a radical change. We see less and less of the stiff and ponderous articles that were formerly in every house, or of the cheap painted bed room sets which were the only things that people of limited means could afford to buy. At the present time a neat, tasteful and substantial set of furniture may be purchased at a less price than was formerly unhesitatingly paid for the most inferior goods. This speaks volumes for our manufacturers, and especially for the houses engaged in the production of furniture. We find a prominent example of these in



this town in the establishment conducted by Wm. D. Van Vliet, whose premises are located at Nos. 17 and 19 West Main street, and who began operations in 1864. Three floors 70x50 and two storage floors, each as long as a store, are occupied, and the manufacturing of all kinds of Furniture and dealing in mattresses, bedding, rugs, mats, window shades and picture frames, etc., is extensively carried on, while the products of this establishment are generally acknowledged to be as fine in workmanship and finish as may be found in the market, and the business of the house has so developed that it has become one of the largest industries of its kind in the country. Mr. Van Vliet is a native of Orange Co., and President of the Board of Education at present, and for the past three years, so is well-known in this town.

E. DIKEMAN, Druggist, Goshen, N. Y. The old saying, "Man proposes but God disposes," may be parodied without irreverence so as to read "The doctor prescribeth, but the druggist dispenseth," and this fact should be borne in mind by those having prescriptions to fill, for it is of but little avail to employ a learned and successful physician unless care is taken to see that the medicines he prescribes are faithfully administered, and obviously the first step to take is to have his prescriptions compounded at a perfectly reliable pharmacy, such a one, for instance, as that of which Mr. E. Dikeman is proprietor, and which is located on West Main street, where premises measuring 18x60 feet are occupied and a full stock of drugs, medicines and chemicals is carried. This store was formerly conducted and begun by Mr. Henry W. Elliott in 1840, and in 1855 came into the possession of the present proprietor, who is a native of Warwick, N. Y., and is well and favorably known in this locality, having been for four years President of the village of Goshen and eleven years a Trustee, and for twelve years on the Board of Education, Assistant Engineer of Fire department, which he joined in 1852, and honorary member of Excelsior Hose Co. of Port Jervis; also President of Orange Pharmaceutical Association. Mr. Dikeman employs one reliable assistant, and as all necessary facilities for the handling of drugs and chemicals are at hand, prescriptions can be compounded at short notice and at moderate prices.

H. C. HORTON, Dealer in Fine Confectionery, Stationery, Music and Cigars, Goshen, N. Y. One's first impression on examining the stock carried by Mr. H. C. Horton, on Main street, is that it is decidedly superior to the average in quality and will compare favorably in point of size, and this impression will be confirmed by more extended investigation, for Mr. Horton takes pains to handle goods that will suit the most fastidious, and to offer a sufficient variety to enable all tastes to be suited and all orders to be filled without delay. He is a native of Dutchess Co., N. Y., and has carried on his present business since 1889, having succeeded W. F. Lewis. The premises occupied and located on West Main street comprise one floor 22x48 feet in dimensions and afford excellent opportunity for the accommodation of a complete assortment of all kinds of confectionery and stationery, music and cigars, etc., Mr. Horton's stock being so arranged as to aid materially in the prompt and accurate filling of orders. He gives his close personal attention to the enterprise, but employs one competent assistant, and neglects no means to fully deserve the popularity his establishment has won. Mr. Horton is also the agent for the sale of all makes of Bicycles, specialty of the "Victor" machine.

THEODORE CHURCH, Boarding, Sale and Livery Stables, Goshen, N. Y. A call at the Boarding, Sale and Livery Stable carried on by Mr. Theodore Church and located on Grant street, will convince any one familiar with the average public stable that this is a first-class establishment in every respect, for its construction, its location, its equipment and its management combine to make it rank among the best in town. Particular attention is given to the boarding of horses, and as there are thirty-seven stables on the premises and other facilities to correspond, quite a large number of animals can be cared for, and well cared for, too, for Mr. Church employs only experienced and reliable assistants. The stable is well ventilated and is a two-story building 135x30 feet, with an L 75x30 feet and shed 65x18 feet in dimensions and horses are supplied with a suitable abundance of first-class food, teams are hitched up promptly, vehicles kept in good condition, in short, the service is thoroughly satisfactory in every way. Quite a large livery business is done, carriages being furnished for parties, funerals and weddings and other occasions, as it is generally known that the turnouts furnished at this stable are stylish, speedy and desirable, while no fancy charges are made. Mr. Church began operations here in 1886. He is a native of Hamptonburgh, Orange County, N. Y., and held the position as Assessor of Taxes of Goshen for some years, so is well known in this vicinity. He always has on hand for sale some nice carriages and wagons.

MRS. M. A. MESSENGER, Carpet Weaving, West Main Street, Goshen, N. Y. Among the representative industrial enterprises carried on in this vicinity prominent mention should be made of that conducted by Mrs. M. A. Messenger, for this undertaking was founded many years ago by the "Harrison family" and has steadily developed under the present management, which took control in 1888. The premises occupied and located on West Main street comprises three large rooms, which are well equipped for the manufacturing of all kinds of ingrain and rag carpets, while the facilities are sufficiently great to allow of the most extensive orders being filled at short notice, while Mrs. Messenger is in a position to quote the lowest market rates on the different qualities made, and we may add that large and small orders are given prompt and careful attention, while as regards quality and price they will bear the severest comparison with any goods of like character in the market and after years of trial the carpets made by this lady are held in the esteem of both dealers and consumers. One competent and reliable assistant is employed and the product is distributed all over the country, while prompt and polite attention is assured every caller.

GOSHEN SAVINGS BANK, Goshen, N. Y. The chief incentive to and aid in saving money is now afforded by the various excellent savings banks distributed throughout the country, and one of the best of these worthy institutions is the Goshen Savings Bank of this town. The design of this bank as outlined by the management is as follows: "The Goshen Savings Bank is designed to afford a safe and profitable investment of all sums of money entrusted to its care, and is alike open to all classes in the community, thus enabling the industrious and frugal by commencing early in life to make provisions for the future and at the same time offering encouragement to those who have not been such to lessen their expenses and lay by something for a time of need." No one can deny that a well managed institution having such aims is a great benefit to any community, and that this bank is well managed is proved, first by the record made since its incorporation in 1871, second by the implicit confidence reposed in it by those conversant with its resources and methods, and third by the following figures from the statement of its condition January 1, 1892. Amount due depositors—\$583,200. Resources—Amount invested in bonds and mortgages, \$280,620; bonds and stocks, \$244,895; call loans, \$600; cash on hand in bank and Trust Company, \$61,624.49; all other assets, \$8,906.54; number of depositors 1,814, while no depositor has over \$3,000. The officers are as follows: President, Benjamin F. Edsall; First Vice President, J. W. Corwin; Second Vice President, F. H. Reeves; Secretary and Treasurer, Dudley Murray; Financial Committee, C. G. Elliott, W. D. Van Vliet; Trustees, Benjamin F. Edsall, C. G. Elliott, Henry Bacon, Dudley Murray, J. W. Corwin, Joseph Durland, F. H. Reeves.

T. L. KYTE, Contractor, Carpenter, Builder, Church street, Goshen, N. Y. There has been a great deal said against the "contract system," and to hear some of the criticisms of it one would suppose it was practically impossible to obtain dependable work in that way, but experience proves that it is not only possible, but easy, and that where results are unsatisfactory the fault lies not in the system, but in those engaged in carrying it out, the obvious remedy being to place contracts with reputable and responsible parties only. It is not difficult to find such, and very prominent among them must be placed Mr. T. L. Kyte, who has filled many important contracts to the entire satisfaction of all parties concerned, and who is prepared not only to do good work but to figure very closely on large or small commissions. He is a native of New York City, and began operations here in 1884, and is very widely and favorably known in business circles throughout this section. Besides doing an extensive contracting and building business he does carpenter work and jobbing at short notice and at reasonable prices. Three skillful mechanics are employed, and his shop and office are located on Church street, 45x60 feet in size, where all orders may be left and assured prompt attention.

M. JONAS & SON, Dealers in Clothing, Hats, Caps, Gents' Furnishing Goods; Custom Work a Specialty; a Full Line of Boots and Shoes; No. 33 West Main Street, Goshen, N. Y. It would of course be a most excellent thing if all of us had so large an income as to render it entirely unnecessary to practice the close economy which is now the rule rather than the exception, but as this desirable condition of affairs is out of the question the next best thing is to manage so as to make our present income go as far as possible. So far as the purchase of clothing, hats, caps and gents' furnishings is concerned, this can be brought about by placing orders with Messrs. M. Jonas & Son, doing business at No. 33 West Main street, for they carry a large and varied stock of such goods and quote the very lowest market rates on them at all times. This enterprise was established in 1883 by Mr. M. Jonas, who is a native of Germany, and in 1888 he admitted his son Jacob in as a partner, and formed the present firm. The latter is a native of New York City. The premises in use comprise two floors 50x20 feet in size, affording ample room for the display of the heavy stock carried, making the selection both easy and agreeable. A full line of boots and shoes is also to be found here, and three prompt and reliable assistants to wait upon all customers. These gentlemen make a specialty of fine custom tailoring.

D. G. VREELAND, Dealer in Groceries and Provisions, Canned Goods, Milk, Cream, Etc., Greenwich Street, Goshen, N. Y. The gentleman whose card we print above is a native of New Jersey, but has been a resident of Goshen for some years and is thoroughly familiar with the requirements of the local trade, as is proved by the success he has met with since assuming control of the business with which he is now connected. It was founded in 1882 and changed hands twice before it came into the possession of the present proprietor, in 1889. Mr. D. G. Vreeland deals in groceries and provisions, canned goods, milk and cream, etc.; the latter he delivers to regular customers, besides handling all kinds of cigars and tobacco, confectionery, etc., while his stock is so carefully selected and his prices so reasonable that his trade is steadily increasing—a success which is thoroughly well deserved, as he spares no pains to satisfy every customer. He obtains his goods from the most reliable sources, and can therefore confidently guarantee them to prove as represented, and we need hardly add that a business built upon such a foundation is sure to be as permanent as it is progressive. The premises occupied on Greenwich street comprise one floor 18x50 feet and a milk room 40x12 feet in size.

HIRAM H. SMITH, Fine Boots, Shoes and Rubber Goods, 35 Main St., Goshen, N. Y. We take great pleasure in calling attention to the business conducted by the gentleman whose card we print at the head of this article. All of us know how annoying it is to wear a shoe which does not fit or which turns out to be made of poor leather, while we paid for good. Then, too, we appreciate a pair of rubbers which are neat in appearance, made of good material, and will not slip off. By visiting the store at No. 35 Main St., Goshen, N. Y., next door to the National Bank of Orange County, recently opened by Mr. Hiram H. Smith, you are bound to get satisfaction, as this gentleman carries a fine assortment of boots, shoes and rubber goods—the stock being renewed constantly. Mr. Smith is well known to the residents of Goshen (being a native of this town), both in a social as well as business way. He is one of the boys, being Asst. Foreman of Cataract Hose Co. The store is 25x40 feet in size, and well equipped for the shoe business. What Mr. Smith does not know about shoes is not worth knowing, as for the past nine years he was associated with the late B. S. Purdy, shoe dealer of this town. The hearty support which the residents of Goshen have already bestowed upon Mr. Smith shows that his record for honesty and fair dealing is not undervalued.

THOMAS FARRELL, Manufacturer of Fine Cigars, and Wholesale and Retail Dealer in the Leading Brands of Tobacco and Cigarettes, Goshen, N. Y. Mr. Thomas Farrell started his present business in 1876, since which time he has been known as one of the leading manufacturers of cigars and Cigarettes in this section of the state. He does an extensive business, which is both wholesale and retail in character. He manufactures the cigars in bundles, and is consequently in a position to know just what he offers to his customers. Great pains are taken to secure uniformity of merit, and smokers speak in the highest terms of the dependable quality of all cigars and cigarettes manufactured by Mr. Farrell. A large stock is carried, consisting of cigars and tobacco, cigarettes, etc.; also smokers' articles in a large variety. The premises occupied and located at No. 36 West Main street comprise three floors 50x15 feet in dimensions, and nine competent and reliable assistants are employed in the various departments. Low prices rule and polite attention is shown every customer. Mr. Farrell is a native of Wappinger Falls, Dutchess Co., N. Y., and has had many years experience in the cigar and tobacco business, and is very well-known and highly respected throughout this section of the country.

THEODORE SMITH, Dealer in all the Choice Brands of Flour, Fine Orange County Butter, Choice No. 2 Mackerel, Summer Cured Codfish, Choice Groceries, etc., Goshen, N. Y. There is no possible room for doubt of the representative character of the establishment conducted by Mr. Theodore Smith, for the business is one of the oldest established of the kind in this section, is extremely large in its retail department and is steadily gaining in magnitude and importance. It was founded in 1852 by Mr. W. W. Bodle, he being succeeded in 1871 by G. B. Ostrom & Co., they conducting it until 1882, when the present proprietor assumed control. He is a native of Hamptonburgh, Orange County, N. Y., and was Inspector of Elections for two years. Mr. Smith is a retail dealer in choice groceries, at reasonable rates, fine brands of flour and Orange County butter, choice mackerel and codfish, fancy crackers, fresh coffees, smoked meats and canned goods—no second-class goods. A large stock is carried, as may be judged from the size of the premises, which are located at No. 28 West Main street, forming a triangle 60x60x60 feet in size. Mr. Smith gives his close personal attention to the business and keeps the service at a high standard of efficiency, employment being given to two competent assistants, and all orders, large and small, being assured prompt and accurate filling.

MRS. M. E. HALLOCK, Millinery, Greenwich and Church Streets, Goshen, N. Y. A business that has been carried on for sixteen years successfully is certainly worthy of mention in a work of this kind. Mrs. M. E. Hallock began her present enterprise in 1876 in this town, since which date she has established an extensive trade in Millinery and Millinery goods. Bonnets and hats are made and trimmed to order at short notice and at reasonable prices. One floor 25x18 feet in size is occupied on the corner of Greenwich and Church streets, which is well supplied with all the goods mentioned above, complete in their different departments. Employment is given to one competent assistant, while the proprietress is at hand at all times to superintend the business. This lady is a native of Orange County, where she has many friends as well as in Goshen. Her business methods have made her the recipient of many flattering favors, and we can safely say a visit to her very popular store will amply repay the time devoted to it. Mrs. Hallock guarantees all goods leaving her establishment to prove exactly as represented, and all who have had business dealings with her have expressed themselves in the highest terms of praise and satisfaction.

REEVS & KELSEY, Dealers in Dry Goods, Groceries, Flour, Feed, Lime, Cement, Plaster, Crockery, Glassware, Paints, Oils, Averill's Chemical Paint, Etc., 83 West Main Street, Goshen, N. Y. The enterprise now conducted by Messrs. Reeves & Kelsey was founded fifty years ago, it having been begun in 1842 by Mr. C. W. Reeves, and so conducted until 1860, when he took his son, F. H. Reeves, in as a partner, and they were succeeded by the junior member of that firm in 1865, while one year later the present one was established and by them has since been carried on. The individual members are Messrs. F. H. Reeves, a native of Westtown, and N. J. Kelsey, a native of this town, and are some of the best known business men in this community. Mr. Reeves is a Director of the Savings Bank in Goshen. They utilize premises at No. 88 West Main street, comprising one store 120x30 feet and an L 40x20 feet in size, and carry a very heavy and varied stock. It comprises dry goods and groceries, flour and feed, lime, cement and plaster, crockery and glassware, paints and oils, "Averill's Chemical Paint," etc., etc. Of course, in our limited space, it is not possible to describe this huge stock in detail, but suffice it to say it is made up of carefully selected goods, and is offered at prices which indicate very careful buying and a desire to give customers the full worth of their money in every instance. Employment is given to four thoroughly competent assistants, and every caller is assured prompt and courteous attention, as indeed could easily be guessed from the high estimation in which the establishment is held, while the goods sold are sure to prove as represented in every particular.

E. G. SWEZEY, Practical Watchmaker and Jeweler, Goshen, N. Y. Watches, Clocks, and Jewelry cleaned, repaired and warranted. One of the most enterprising and attractive establishments that we have had the good fortune to come across in Goshen is that now carried on by Mr. Edward G. Swezey, whose store is located at No. 42 West Main street, a practical watchmaker and jeweler. Business was established here in 1877 by Mr. A. I. Moore, he being succeeded by Mr. George H. Mills in 1888, and in 1890 the present proprietor took sole control. He is a native of this town, and was Inspector of Elections. The premises occupied comprise one store 25x12 feet in dimensions. Mr. Swezey is a practical jeweler and dealer in watches, clocks and jewelry, these being cleaned, repaired and warranted; and a fine line of these are offered, wholly reliable, at the lowest market rates, while visitors are promptly and politely attended to and goods cheerfully shown. Mr. Swezey is also a dealer in imported and domestic cigars, chewing and smoking tobacco, pipes, etc., to which he would call the particular attention of our readers who are in search of a fine smoking cigar at a reasonable price. A large trade has been built up in watches and jewelry, for Mr. Swezey's prices are moderate, and the public have long since learned that articles bought here are sure to prove just as represented in every respect.

H. B. LEVY, Bookseller and Newsdealer, Fine Stationery a Specialty, Goshen, N. Y. It is no wonder that the establishment of which Mr. H. B. Levy is the proprietor, is one of the most popular in Goshen, for Mr. Levy gives close attention to the wishes of his customers and has built up his present extensive retail trade by dint of hard work, with liberality, in catering to the demands of the public. The establishment in question was founded by Mr. Levy in 1887. The premises occupied and located at No. 34 West Main street, comprises one floor 15x50 feet in size and well stocked with a fine and choice selection of books and stationery, the latter a specialty, and the latest publications on hand as soon as issued. Mr. Levy is agent for the daily newspapers published throughout this vicinity. This latter feature is one of the most popular departments of the business, for many people take advantage of the opportunity thus presented to obtain the daily news. Employment is given to one clerk, while news carriers are employed as required. Mr. Levy is a native of New York City and is very well known throughout this vicinity. His customers receive prompt and polite attention and may depend upon getting reliable goods at bottom prices.

LAROE & CO., Dealers in Groceries, Provisions, Etc., Occidental Block, Goshen, N. Y. Among the many family grocery and provision stores to be found in Goshen and vicinity, that conducted by Messrs. Laroe & Co. is deserving of prominent and favorable mention, not so much on account of any single exceptional inducement which its proprietors offer to the public, as by reason of the "all round" character of the advantages extended, or, in other words, Messrs. Laroe & Co. don't make a "leader" of any one line of goods, selling them below cost and more than making up on other articles; but they do quote the lowest market rates on all the commodities they handle and they spare no pains to furnish goods that will give the best of satisfaction. This firm began operations in 1890. Mr. J. T. Laroe is a native of Hamptonburg and the present assessor of Goshen. The store occupied is located in the Occidental Block and comprises one floor 45x20 feet in size, being sufficiently spacious for the large stock carried of choice groceries and provisions, bakers' supplies and confectionery, etc. Orders are promptly and accurately filled and every article sold is guaranteed to prove precisely as represented. Three efficient assistants are employed and all callers treated with courtesy.

H. A. HORTON & CO., Druggists, West Main street, Goshen, N. Y. As useful, and, in fact, indispensable as physicians are to a community, they are hardly more so than are well-managed drug stores, for it is on them that physicians must depend for much of their success. Of course, it is possible, and was once the universal practice, for the village doctor to supply his own drugs, etc., buying them at wholesale and compounding the medicines himself, but this style of doing things had many serious disadvantages, and not the least of which was that by the time the stock on hand was exhausted of any particular drug, its virtues were apt to be greatly impaired by age and other causes. But this has all gone by in localities of any importance, and in fact it has been many years since Goshen was without a first-class drug store. The establishment now conducted by Messrs. H. A. Horton & Co. was founded in 1861 by Reeves & Horton and, after several changes, passed under the control of the present firm in 1876. This is composed of Messrs. H. A. and C. W. Horton, both of whom are natives of Minisink and are very widely known, Mr. H. A. Horton being a Trustee of the town and having been depot master of the Erie Railroad for thirty years. The premises occupied and located on West Main street comprise four floors and basement 50x22 feet in size, comprising a fine drug store, well stocked with a fresh and reliable assortment of drugs and chemicals, fancy and toilet articles, paints and oils, glass and patent medicines, etc., fine liquors for medicinal use being a specialty. One reliable and competent assistant is employed, and the public are assured the most reliable goods and skilled and efficient service when patronizing this house.

N. H. WILCOX, Proprietor of the Occidental Livery Stable, Goshen, N. Y. Horses bought, sold and exchanged. Horses kept by day, week or month. Good turnouts always on hand. There is but little enjoyment to be had in driving a feeble or superannuated horse, or even a comparatively good horse if the carriage to which he is attached be uncomfortable or "shaky," yet some stable-keepers furnish all but their especially favored patrons with just such turnouts, and then wonder why their business does not increase. No such policy as this is followed by the proprietor of the Occidental Livery Stable, therefore Mr. N. H. Wilcox, the gentleman in question, is to be cordially recommended to those who wish to obtain a satisfactory team at a reasonable charge. He can furnish all kinds of livery, his coaches having experienced drivers, while orders for weddings, funerals and parties are promptly attended to. A specialty is made of boarding horses by the day, week or month, the stables being light, dry and airy throughout and well ventilated. These premises contain thirteen stalls, and we can assure our readers that they will have no reason to complain of the accommodations provided or the prices charged. Competent assistants are employed, who give their whole attention to the care and comfort of all animals entrusted to them.

A. O'NEAL, Dealer in Choice Groceries, Fruits, Fish and Vegetables, corner Church and Main streets, Goshen, N. Y. The business conducted by Mr. A. O'Neal, whose store is located at the corner of Church and Main streets, was founded many years ago by Mr. Joseph Utler, and in 1889 came into possession of the present proprietor. He is a native of Monroe, N. Y., and has a large circle of friends throughout Goshen and vicinity. The business has developed greatly since its inception, and now requires the employment of one competent assistant and the carrying of a heavy and varied stock, comprising choice groceries, fruits, fish and vegetables, etc., cigars and confectionary. Premises of the dimensions of 14x28 feet are occupied, and the goods are displayed to excellent advantage, the store being neat and trim and supplied with all necessary facilities for the storage and handling of the commodities dealt in. Mr. O'Neal is in a position to meet all honorable competition, and his prices will be found to bear the closest comparison with those quoted elsewhere on goods of equal merit. Making a specialty of family trade, he spares no pains to handle reliable articles only, and customers appreciate this and know that all goods coming from his store are sure to prove as represented.

A. G. WHEELER, Photographer. Cabinets \$3.50 per dozen. Box 486, Goshen, N. Y. The time has gone by when it was necessary to visit the largest cities in order to secure really art photographs, for the number of competent photographers has increased wonderfully of late years, and would now be difficult to name a town of any importance that does not contain at least one of them. Among those doing business in this vicinity we know of none whom we can more cordially recommend than Mr. A. G. Wheeler, for this gentleman makes a specialty of fine work and taking views to keepsie, N. Y., and began operations in Goshen in 1885, having succeeded to the business founded by Mr. T. E. Wood in 1876. Mr. Wheeler's rooms, which comprise two floors 30x28 feet, are located at the corner of Greenwich and Church streets, and are fitted up with the most improved apparatus for taking orders to be promptly filled. Mr. Wheeler carries on photography in all its branches, his prices are uniformly moderate, and we are happy to say his business is steadily increasing, while one competent artist is employed to attend promptly to all customers.

H. B. SEELY, The Grocer. Strictly Cash. Goshen, N. Y. There is no risk taken in asserting that the enterprise conducted by Mr. H. B. Seely is at least as well known an undertaking as Goshen can show, for no one will be likely to dispute a statement so thoroughly in accordance with the facts. Business was begun in 1852 by R. M. Vail & Co., and, after several changes, Mr. A. V. Wallace took the management, he being succeeded in 1892 by the present proprietor, who is a native of Orange County, N. Y. He is a retail dealer in staple and fancy groceries of all kinds, as well as oats, flour, teas, coffees and spices. The premises occupied and located on West Main street comprise four floors 25x50 feet in dimensions, and a very extensive stock is carried to fill all orders without delay. Employment is given to four reliable assistants, and purchasers are assured prompt and polite attention, a fact which explains to some extent the general popularity of the store among all classes of people, for no discrimination is made between large and small buyers as regards the courtesy extended to patrons. Mr. Seely quotes the lowest prices on the many goods he handles, as he sells only for cash, and buyers have the assurance that they are getting just what they pay for, another potent factor in the steady increase of his trade.

JAMES G. SPEIR, Dealer in General Hardware, Agricultural Implements and Seeds, Stoves and Tinware, Tin and Sheet Iron Work to Order, Goshen, N. Y. No housekeeper who has had experience with a cook stove or range whose oven wouldn't heat quickly, or would burn anything placed in the upper part and undercook anything placed below, will deny that an inferior cook stove is dear at any price, or that it is well worth while to take pains to get the best the market affords. It is easy enough to do so by following the simple rule of buying from a reputable dealer making a specialty of stoves and stove goods, and such a man is Mr. James G. Speir, who utilizes a store of four floors 50x25 feet in dimensions and a tin shop 20x18 feet located in this town. This enterprise was founded in 1867 by Speir & Mandeville, they being succeeded by the present proprietor in 1877. He is a native of Saratoga County, N. Y., and has built up an enviable reputation for enterprise and fair dealing, he handling dependable goods, quoting bottom prices, and treating large and small customers with equal consideration. Mr. Speir deals in general hardware, agricultural implements and seeds, stoves and tinware. Tin and sheet iron work made to order, making a specialty of manufacturing tin milk cans. A large business is done, and employment is given to four efficient assistants, and the service is much more prompt than at many a store much less generously patronized, all callers being assured immediate and careful attention.

A. E. POTTER, Dealer in Counter Specialties, 5c., 10c. and 25c. counters; Hardware, Cutlery, Woodenware and Glassware, Toys, Notions, etc., No. 54 West Main street, corner of John, Goshen, N. Y. The business carried on by Mr. A. E. Potter deserves particularly prominent mention in such a book as this, for a more representative enterprise cannot be found in Goshen, and, indeed, very few undertakings in this town can show a more honorable record. Operations were begun in 1887, and since that date the management has been characterized by uniformly fair dealing and a progressive enterprise which enables all honorable competition to be easily met. Mr. Potter is a native of Ellenville, N. Y., and is well and favorably known throughout this town and vicinity. The premises used and located at No. 54 West Main street, corner of John, comprise one floor 15x40 feet in size and contain a heavy and very complete stock of hardware and cutlery, woodenware and glassware, toys and notions, etc., 5c., 10c and 25c. counters being a specialty. Goshen people do not need to be told that every article sold at this establishment is guaranteed to prove as represented and, indeed, the same may be said of those living in the vicinity of the town, for many of these have for years obtained the bulk of their supplies from this store, and they are too well satisfied to make a change while Mr. Potter's motto is honest goods, honest prices and prompt service.

C. E. MILLSPAUGH, Dealer in Dry Goods, Carpeting, Crockery, Fancy Goods, Stationery, Books, Ladies' Muslin Garments, No. 23 West Main street, Goshen, N. Y. In so extensive and prosperous a community as that of Goshen and vicinity there is naturally a large and constant demand for dry and fancy goods, and as the majority of purchasers are well informed concerning the latest dictates of fashion, and are consequently not to be satisfied with old styles and superseded articles, it is obvious that those establishments which offer the greatest variety of late novelties to choose from are sure to receive not only the select but the most extensive patronage. This fact explains the increasing popularity of the house conducted by Mr. C. E. Millspaugh, at No. 23 West Main street. He is a native of Florida, Orange County, N. Y., and has carried on this enterprise since 1875, when the firm name was Redfield & Millspaugh. The premises occupied comprise three floors 20x50 feet in dimensions, and are well filled with a large and carefully selected assortment of dry goods and carpeting, crockery and fancy goods, stationery and books, also ladies' muslin garments, all of which are offered at very reasonable prices. In these days of sharp competition and close buying prices count for a good deal in building up a business, and the fact that a dollar will go at least as far in this store as in any similar establishment in this section has had much to do toward giving it a position among the leading stores of Goshen. Three competent and reliable assistants are employed, and all customers are assured prompt and polite attention.

PETER HAYNE, Manufacturer of Brick, Glazed and Drain Tile, Goshen, Orange County, N. Y. Yard on Greenwich street. There is no building material in the market but what has some special advantages, for otherwise, of course, there would be no demand for it, and consequently it would never have been placed on sale; but when we come to sum up the advantages of the many materials used for building purposes, we find that by far the greatest number are combined in brick. A brick building may be highly ornamental or severely plain, it may be adapted for a magnificent mansion or a substantial, business like factory; it costs much less than stone, is much more durable than wood, and may be made more perfectly fireproof than would be possible by the use of any other material. Other advantages could easily be named, but these of themselves are enough to account for the enduring and increasing popularity of brick for building purposes. Mr. Peter Hayne, whose yard is located on Greenwich street and covers some seven acres of ground, is a manufacturer of brick and all kinds and sizes of glazed and drain tile, and is prepared to fill the heaviest orders at short notice, as he generally has a large stock on hand and employs twenty-two men in the operating of his works, which are driven by a fifty horse-power engine and a sixty horse power boiler, the room being 25x35 feet in dimensions. This enterprise was founded in 1868 by Hayne & Wallace, they being succeeded by the present proprietor in 1871. He is a native of Orange County, N. Y. Mr. Hayne quotes the lowest market rates on all grades and kinds of both brick and tiling, and those wishing to place an order for either will best serve their own interests by communicating with him and giving him an opportunity to state his figures.

W. P. ACKLEY, Harness Maker and Repairing, No. 60 Greenwich Street, Goshen, N. Y. Mr. W. P. Ackley conducts an enterprise which demands prominent mention in these columns, both on account of the length of time it has been in operation and the leading position it now holds among similar undertakings in this section. It was inaugurated over a quarter of a century ago, operations having been begun by the present proprietor in 1865. He is a native of Warwick, N. Y., and has long been ranked high among the business men of this town. The premises utilized and located at No. 60 Greenwich street comprise one floor, 12x12 feet in dimensions, affording ample room for the carrying on of his harness-making business, the shop being well appointed, in which custom work and repairing are done in a superior manner at short notice. Considering his long experience, it is hardly necessary to say that Mr. Ackley is in a position to sell dependable goods as cheap as anybody can, and, considering the enviable reputation of his enterprise, it seems superfluous to add that every article bought at this establishment is sure to prove precisely as represented in every respect. One competent and reliable assistant is employed, and no pains are spared to assure prompt attention to all callers.

J. B. CLARK, Dealer in Beef, Veal, Mutton, Lamb and Pork, No. 85 West Main Street, Goshen, N. Y. Mr. J. B. Clark claims to carry in stock everything to be found in a first-class market, and a careful inspection of the assortment he offers will prove this claim to be fully justified by the facts, for, although the premises occupied comprise one floor measuring 20x25 feet, there is no space wasted, and the stock is as varied as it is large. Beef, veal, mutton, lamb and pork are some of the most important commodities dealt in, and the assortment is so complete that it is safe to say the buyer who cannot be satisfied here cannot be suited anywhere. The proprietor is Mr. J. B. Clark, who is a native of this town and began this enterprise in 1885, though the business was founded in 1879 by Messrs. Ryerson & Doremus. Mr. Clark has rapidly increased his trade, for the goods are dependable, the prices low and the service prompt and accurate. The market is conveniently located at No. 85 West Main street, and is equipped with all facilities to enable operations to be carried on to the best advantage. Three competent and reliable assistants are employed, and orders are filled at short notice, and no pains spared to thoroughly satisfy every customer in every way.

JAMES SCOTT, Jr., Carriages and Wagons, Repairing and Jobbing of All Kinds; Painting and Trimming Done in a First-Class Manner at Reasonable Prices, Greenwich Street, Goshen, N. Y. Some people will never really believe that a dog has teeth until he has bitten them, and on the same principle there are many who can't be convinced that it does not pay to buy "cheap" carriages and wagons until they have had it proved to them by their own experience, so we won't enlarge upon the subject; suffice it to say, it always pays to get a really good carriage or wagon, and one way to be sure of getting one equal to the best is to buy of Mr. James Scott, Jr., who is a carriage builder and repairer, and who gives special attention to the building to order of all kinds of carriages and wagons. His vehicles are always satisfactory, because they are skillfully made from honest material, are built for "business," and will wear well, look well and do well for all the purposes they are designed. This enterprise was started in 1880 by James Scott, who was succeeded by his son in 1888. He is a native of this town and the present Inspector of Elections. The premises occupied and located on Greenwich street comprise two floors 30x50 feet and two floors 40x100 feet in size. Eight skilled mechanics are employed, and repairing, painting and trimming carriages is done in a first-class manner and at reasonable prices.

ADOLPH MÜLLER, Merchant Tailor, Cleaning, Repairing and Dyeing Neatly Done, West Main Street, Goshen, N. Y. There are some who wear custom clothing because it fits better, is more comfortable and more durable than ready-made garments can be, while others wear it principally because it is more stylish and they can boast of how high-priced a tailor they patronize. To the latter class we have nothing to say. They judge garments, not by their own qualities, but by the reputation of the shop they come from, and, therefore, if a tailor be not fashionable and high-priced they dismiss him as unworthy of consideration. But those who appreciate good work, wherever found, will be interested to learn of the inducements offered by Mr. Adolph Müller, whose tailoring establishment is located on West Main street, for this gentleman is a "merchant tailor" of experience and skill, and turns out work equal to the best at very reasonable prices. Mr. Müller has been located here only since the beginning of the current year, having been in business in New York City for some time. He is prepared to make up suits or single garments in a thoroughly artistic and durable manner at very low prices, while cleaning, repairing and dyeing are neatly done. Two competent assistants are employed, and all orders, as well as customers, are assured immediate attention.

W. M. SAYER, Lumber, Marble, Coal, Moldings, etc.; Sash, Doors and Blinds in stock; West Main street, Goshen, N. Y. A business of such importance as that conducted by Mr. W. M. Sayer has so large a bearing upon the trade of this town, and is in every way so conducive to the general prosperity, as to merit particularly favorable mention in any review of the mercantile establishments of Goshen. Its claims to attention are not alone based upon the extent of the enterprise, but quite as much from the fact that it is one of the old-established, reliable houses that has for many years been identified with the growth of the place and its inhabitants. Mr. Sayer founded this present enterprise in 1850, though he has been in business uninterruptedly in Goshen since 1837, and is well known in this section for his strict business methods and invariably fair dealings. The premises occupied are located on West Main street, and comprise a yard for lumber 125x250 feet in size, with storehouses and outbuildings. These are well stocked with sash, doors and blinds, moldings, lumber, coal and marble. A large stock of these goods is kept constantly on hand, as they are furnished to order when desired. The large and varied stock, together with promptness in filling orders and liberal treatment of customers, have built up for Mr. Sayer a large, growing business, which receives his personal supervision in all its details.

MIDDLETOWN STEAM LAUNDRY, G. O. Hulse, Agent, Goshen, N. Y. A person need not be very old to remember when public laundries, and especially steam laundries, were regarded with great suspicion by many excellent people whose minds were full of startling stories of ruined goods, destructive methods and other fables calculated by those who saw that the general establishment of public laundries was going to interfere with their profits as sure as it was going to benefit the community in general. But genuine progress is not to be stopped by lying, no matter how ingenious and systematic it may be, and, therefore, laundries have increased until they are now found in every town of importance. The "Middletown Steam Laundry" is one of the best managed establishments of the kind that we know of, and its operations have done much to overcome the prejudice against "machine work" which formerly existed here, for it has been established long enough for the public to see that the washing, ironing, etc., are done in the best manner without injury to the fabric treated, and "seeing is believing," the world over. This laundry was established here in 1864. The agent, Mr. G. O. Hulse, is a native of Orange County, and his office is located at No. 65 West Main street, where all orders may be left, which will receive prompt attention.

W. P. CLARK, Bakery, Ice Cream, Etc., Goshen, N. Y. Although it is not now as true as it once was that "Bread is the Staff of Life," it is still a fact that bread is the most universally used of all foods, there being no family so rich but that it occupies a prominent place on their table and no family so poor as to be without it if they have anything to eat at all. Hence it follows that all classes are interested in knowing where bread of excellent quality may be obtained at the lowest market rates, and very many residents of this town already know that this bakery is notable for the uniform excellence of the goods handled, the lowness of the prices and the promptness and efficiency of the service, for the proprietor, Mr. W. P. Clark, who is a native of Orange County, understands his business thoroughly, though he only began his present enterprise during the current year, having succeeded to the old business established in 1852 by W. Ward Gazley. Mr. Clark is a well known and highly respected citizen of Goshen, having been Town and Corporation Collector for two years. He makes bread of all kinds, and as he uses carefully selected material and employs competent and reliable help it is no wonder that his goods are uniformly satisfactory, even to the most fastidious. The premises made use of comprise an ice cream and lunch room 50x25 feet in dimensions, where all kinds of delicacies of the season can be had at reasonable prices, with prompt and polite attendance.

DR. E. R. VARCOE, Dentist, No. 48 Church street, Goshen, N. Y. Very few of us can visit a dentist for the purpose of having any operation performed upon the teeth without feeling more or less anxiety, for although every intelligent person knows that science has robbed operative dentistry of nearly all its terrors, and that but few operations need cause the least pain, still it is difficult to escape from the influence of past conditions; and it must be confessed that a quarter of a century or more ago a dentist's room was little better than a torture chamber. Entire confidence in the competency and carefulness of the operator will, however, do much to obviate nervousness, and those who place themselves under the treatment of Dr. E. R. Varcoe have most excellent reason to feel such confidence, for during the twelve years that he has practiced his profession in this town he has gained an enviable reputation as a skillful, thorough and gentle practitioner. His office is located at No. 48 Church street, and is very nicely fitted up in every respect, every provision being made for the comfort of visitors, revolving fans being employed during hot weather to keep the atmosphere at an enjoyable temperature. He is a native of Honesdale, Pa., and a graduate of the Philadelphia Dental College. He is prepared to conduct all branches of his profession, and to extract teeth without pain by the use of "Odontunder," the wonderful discovery of the age.

GRIER BROTHERS, Dealers in Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Fine Stationery, Daily and Weekly Newspapers, Magazines and Periodicals, No. 79 West Main Street, Goshen, N. Y. It requires no small amount of ability and experience to carry on a retail store successfully in these days of close competition, critical tastes and small profits, even when but one or two lines of goods are handled, and of course the task becomes much more difficult when general merchandise is dealt in, for a fairly accurate knowledge of each of an almost endless number of commodities is required in order to properly conduct such an establishment. It is perfectly safe to assume that such knowledge is possessed by Messrs. Grier Brothers; at all events, they carry on one of the most popular general stores in this section, and their stock is large and very skillfully chosen. It includes boots and shoes, hats and caps, gents' furnishing goods, fine stationery, daily and weekly newspapers, magazines and periodicals, and in fact everything usually found in a strictly first-class country store, and the prices are as attractive as the goods, they being as low as the lowest. This enterprise was founded in 1869 by Messrs. Cole & Grier, and in 1870 the present firm and proprietors assumed control. Both brothers are natives of this town, and the senior member, Mr. George Grier, is assistant cashier of the Goshen National Bank. The premises occupied and located at No. 79 West Main street comprise one floor, 100x30 feet in dimensions, and two efficient assistants are employed, so that callers are assured prompt and courteous attention at all times, and we may add that all goods are sold to prove as represented.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF ORANGE COUNTY, Goshen, N. Y. That commercial stability is largely dependent upon the facilities afforded by fiscal institutions is a fact too obvious to require demonstration here, and it goes without saying that the Banks of Goshen are intimately linked with the growth of every enterprise in this town and vicinity. Especially is this true of The National Bank of Orange County, for this has ever been a favorite with the business world, its extended line of deposits being largely those of active merchants and farmers, while it discounts a large proportion of the most desirable commercial paper on the market. This Bank was organized in 1812. It has a capital of \$110,000, held by leading citizens as one of the choicest and most remunerative of investments, and the existence of a surplus of \$129,000 attests the conservatism and general ability of the management. The Board of Directors is constituted of George W. Murray, Russell Murray, Charles M. Vail, Frank W. Murray and Charles J. Everett, men prominent and influential in commercial circles, their names being synonymous with stability and integrity, so it is natural that no financial institution in the town should enjoy greater confidence than that with which they are so prominently identified. Mr. George W. Murray is President of the Bank and Mr. Charles J. Everett cashier. It is located in a handsome building and a central part of the town. The banking rooms are very conveniently fitted up and sufficient clerical assistance is employed to insure the prompt transaction of all business.