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HUDSON RIVER

TROY, N. Y.

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Of Interest to Visitors

The Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Buildings and Campus.

The new Emma Willard School.

Prospect and Beman Parks.

Oakwood Cemetery, with the handsomest crematory in the world, a beautiful memorial chapel and monuments to many men of international note.

Broadway approach, a granite stairway leading to Eighth Street and affording a remarkable view of the city.

Largest collar factories in the world; one 495 feet long and seven stories high.

The great iron works in South Troy.

Central Y. M. C. A. building, finest building and equipment of any association of its size.

Largest waterwheel in the world.

Watervliet Arsenal, United States gun shops.

The "Towers of Troy," St. Joseph's Provincial Seminary.

Poestenkill Falls.

Hart Memorial Library and Art Gallery, finest library of its size in the state.

Churches, many of splendid construction and beautiful interior decoration, particularly St. Paul's, St. Mary's, St. Joseph's, St. John's, First Presbyterian and First Baptist.

Music Hall, one of the finest temples of music in America.

Court House

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THE CITY OF TROY



TROY is a progressive, bustling city of eighty thousand souls. Including the cities and villages of Cohoes, Watervliet, Green Island and Waterford, which are separated only by the well-bridged Hudson river or county lines, the total population will exceed 130,000. It is essentially a manufacturing community, with a name known around the world for a score of products, each the best of its type produced in America. Its accessibility and its avenues for commerce have led many manufacturers to come to it and, in view of the increased advantages to be secured within the very near future, this cannot but continue. As the gateway of the north it is an important center for all classes of transportation. Goods destined for the seaboard, the west or the south, from Canada, Vermont, Northern New York and parts of Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts have to pass through Troy. Fortunes have been made in Troy and they are still being made. It is the shopping center of the northeastern part of the state, the residents of the neighboring cities all patronizing its stores regularly. It is the commercial center of a territory with half a million population. Nor are its interests wholly material, although it is best known to the world as an industrial community. Its schools are famous the world over, enrolling pupils from every continent. Its churches are numerous and prosperous. Its public institutions are well managed and well housed. Its residential sections challenge those of any similar city in the east. It is to this city that the following pages would call the reader's attention.

Troy's Commercial Advantages

To the manufacturer who seeks a place to establish his business Troy offers unusual inducements. There are eight miles of railroad within its borders and as much more in vicinity towns. Sixteen transportation companies enter the city. Scores of splendid factory sites are in close touch with exceptional shipping facilities.

The river, its channel now being deepened by the Government to a depth of twelve feet at low water, offers advantages of low freight rates. The largest volunteer fire department in the state aids the paid force in protecting from fire. The very name of Troy means a great deal, for Troy goods everywhere are accepted as the best of their kind. The Chamber of Commerce, seven hundred strong, stands ready to aid in every possible way the manufacturer who looks towards Troy for a permanent home. It has the goods to show, and is not afraid of the competition of other communities. It knows there is no city in the east so favorably located for most industries and is glad to back this knowledge with facts. For the employer or the employee, for the small or the large concern, for the monopoly or the competitive corporation, it is an ideal center from which goods can be distributed more easily, labor secured more quickly and work done more efficiently than in any city of its size within a thousand miles.

The Environs of Troy

Troy is in a singularly fortunate situation. Eastward is the fertile slope from the Berkshire hills to the Hudson. South is the Hudson valley. West the Mohawk makes the land productive for the agriculturist. North is a rich region of substantial farms and water powers for manufacturing. No city in the east has such a fine soil in its immediate neighborhood. It is therefore natural that the purchase and sale of farm produce offers a large and steady vocation for many of Troy's citizens. Some of this is used in the city but much is sent to distant sections of the state. All this fertile territory is open to easy access by trolley lines and steam railroads. Further to the north are the Adirondacks, the pleasure ground of the whole country. Timber land offers unusual opportunity for lumber business, paper making and all manufactures that require wood. Beneath the soil in the North Woods lie some of the greatest iron deposits in the world, hardly touched but certainly soon to be tapped.



VIEW OF THE HUDSON RIVER
Looking North from Centre of the City. Mouth of the Mohawk River Seen on West Side.

The Clubs of Troy

Inasmuch as clubs lend much to the life of a community, it is interesting to note that Troy is well provided with such institutions. The Troy Club, the oldest and best known of its social clubs, has a handsome brownstone building at First and Congress Streets. The Pafraets Dael Club, a younger organization of large membership, is on Second Street. The Elks maintain a splendid club house on Third Street. The Masonic Club has well equipped quarters. The Laureate Boat Club has been a leading organization in rowing and athletic matters for a generation. The Island Golf Club is in reality a country club, providing golf, tennis and other sports, besides maintaining a fine table for guests. The East Side Club on Pawling Avenue is a neighborhood institution in that popular residential district and has every facility for comfort and entertainment. Besides these there are many other institutions of the same general nature, many of them maintaining club houses or rooms, such as the Rensselaer County Republican Club, Automobile Club of Troy, Commercial Travelers' Association, San Souci Club and the Chamber of Commerce.

The Y. M. C. A. maintain a large and handsome building equipped with everything needed to carry on their work. THE YOUNG WOMENS' ASSOCIATION have a modern building where many working women find a pleasant home. THE BOYS' CLUB have just opened their new \$75,000 club house given by Mr. George B. Cluett of this city where the street urchins are welcomed to play or study. A GIRLS' CLUB is carried along on similar lines.

The Parks of Troy

The health of a city is an important factor to its residents and is of greatest importance to an actual or prospective employer. Experts in municipal affairs recognize the presence of breathing spaces as one of the necessities in maintaining the health of a city at its highest pitch. Troy is well provided with these, having six public and one private park and three playgrounds for children. In addition to these there are on the neighboring heights just beyond the city limits numerous pleasure grounds to which Trojans resort Sundays or late afternoons for rest and recreation. Most of these are quiet, wooded spots, whose owners are glad to have them used. Besides these several amusement parks, one within the city limits, offer entertainment to thousands. Prospect Park is the largest and most beautiful of Troy's breathing spaces. Situated on a high hill, it affords one of the most glorious views for miles around of the Hudson valley. It contains more than one hundred acres and is laid out to provide the best results possible to its patrons. Beman Park on the eastern edge of the city, is, in a smaller way, almost as beautiful. Tennis courts, croquet grounds, playgrounds, baseball diamonds and all the varied games of the modern city, are to be had in Prospect Park, while all are opened to the public every day. Troy spends nearly double that of any other second class city in the state for parks and public recreation.



PROSPECT PARK, ON A PLEASANT SUNDAY OR HOLIDAY.

The Schools of Troy

Troy is in a special sense an educational center. A list of the schools of Troy will indicate this fact conclusively.

The Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

The Emma Willard School.

Two High Schools.

Twenty-five grammar, intermediate and primary schools.

Twelve public, and several private kindergartens.

Eight parochial schools.

Teachers' Training School.

Kindergarten Training School.

Troy Boys' Academy.

La Salle Institute.

Mary Warren Free Institute.

Troy Business College.

Troy Conservatory of Music.

Emma Willard Conservatory of Music.

Troy Piano School.

Troy School of Arts and Crafts.

Troy Art School.

Numerous private studios for music, art and other instruction.

A conservative estimate would lead to the conclusion that more than fifteen thousand persons are enrolled in these various institutions during the school year. To these also might be added the public library, one of the best in the state, whose collection of books is used by thousands of citizens throughout the year.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

This school was founded in 1824 and is the oldest school of Engineering in America. Four general courses leading to degrees are given. Three are Engineering courses, leading to the degrees, Civil Engineer, Mechanical Engineer and Electrical Engineer. The fourth is a General Science course, leading to the degree Bachelor of Science. This course corresponds to what is often called the Chemical Engineering course in other institutions. Besides these, special courses not leading to degrees are given. The regular courses are four years in duration.

The Institute has unusually fine laboratories in the departments of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, and also for the tests of materials of construction in the department of Civil Engineering. These laboratories probably are unsurpassed by those of any other institution. They were rendered possible by donations amounting to two millions of dollars, which have been made to the school during the past six years.

Nearly all the buildings of the institution are modern, fireproof structures. A new gymnasium is now being erected at a cost of \$150,000. This gymnasium was presented by the Class of '87. A new library and administration building is now in the course of construction and will be completed this year.

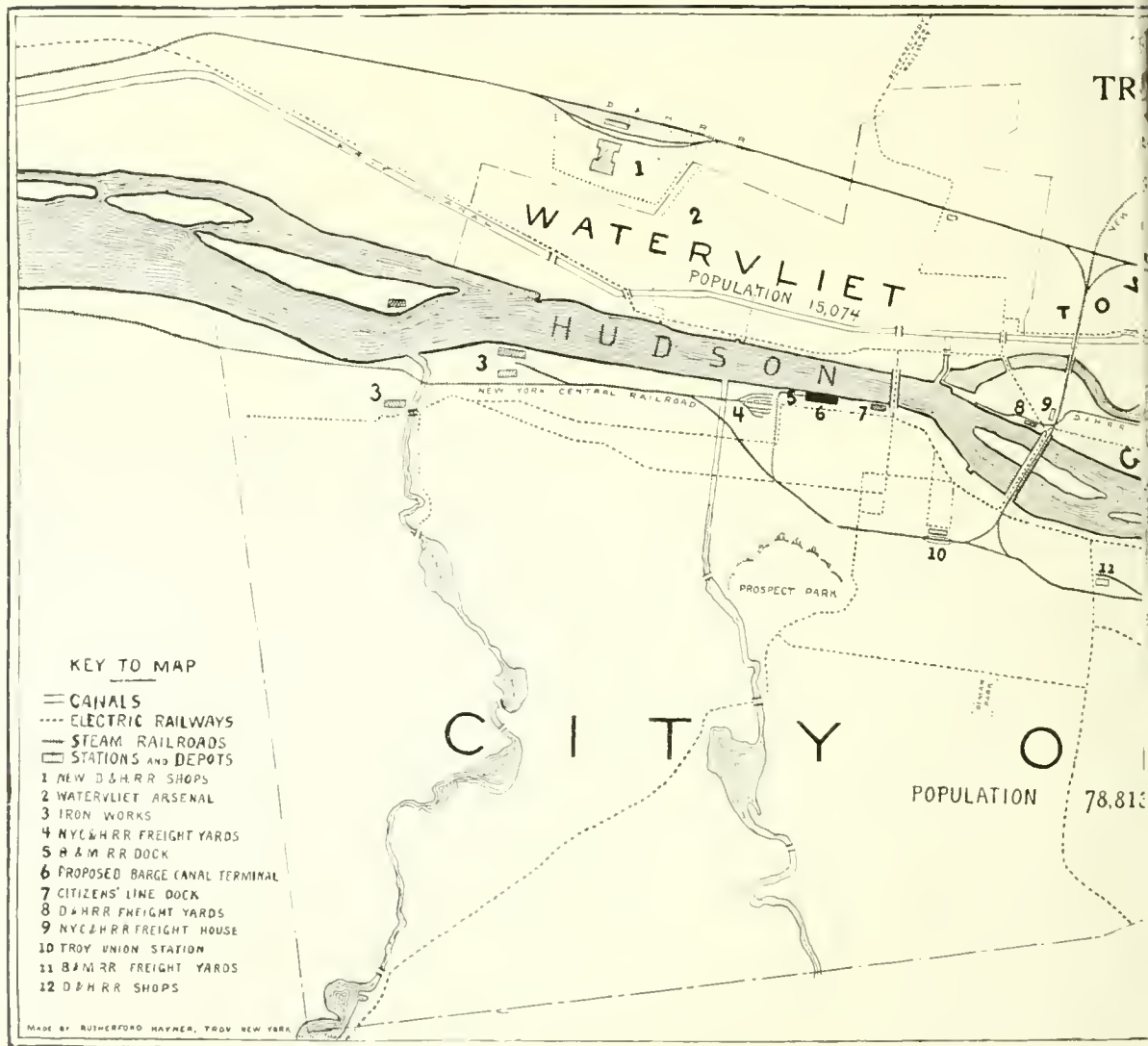
The school is renowned throughout the world. It has had students from many foreign countries, and its graduates are at present at work, not only in this country, but throughout the civilized world. The tuition is \$200 a year. Certificates from high schools and academies of good standing are accepted in place of entrance examinations in the subjects required for admission to the Freshman class. Catalogues may be obtained by application to the Registrar.



SIX OF RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE BUILDINGS
Located on the Eastern Hill. Athletic Fields and Gymnasium and Other Buildings are in the Rear.



MOONLIGHT ON THE HUDSON
A Summer Evening View from the foot of
Second Street, Upper Troy



TRANSPORTATION MAP
OF
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TROY, N. Y.



THE HALF MOON
Rebuilt by Hendrick Hudson's vessel of discovery
on display in the Hudson Fulton
Celebration at Troy

The Churches of Troy

Troy has seventy-one churches, representing almost every denomination and shade of belief current in this country. Thirteen of these are Presbyterian, thirteen Roman Catholic, twelve Methodist, eight Protestant Episcopal, Seven Baptist, six Lutheran, three Hebrew, two Church of Christ and one each Congregational, Unitarian, Universalist, Christian Science, Evangelical, Greek Catholic and Salvation Army. All of these are well attended and their members are earnest in good words and works. Eleven different languages are represented in the various services. A careful observer recently made an estimate that thirty-five thousand persons attended church in Troy on an average Sunday and many more of the younger generation went to Sunday Schools. A community of this sort is one with standards of morality certain to make for progress.

The Emma Willard School

The Emma Willard School, now entering on its 98th year was established by Madam Emma Willard, a pioneer in the higher education of women.

Through the generosity of Mrs. Russell Sage, herself a graduate of the School and for many years actively identified with the institution, the school has been enabled to secure a site of about thirty acres on the hills to the East of the City and to erect buildings for its accommodation which were completed and occupied last year.

The site, an elevated plateau about 425 feet above the Hudson River, commands an extensive view of the surrounding country. The buildings constructed in accordance with the best standards, are unsurpassed in point of excellence and provide the best facilities for the use of students.

The following courses of study are offered on completion of which, the diploma of the School is awarded:

1. A College preparatory course of four years, admitting the graduate by certificate to any one of the leading colleges.
2. A General course of four years, for those who desire a general education without reference to College.



THE EMMA WILLARD SCHOOL BUILDINGS
Gymnasium, Heating Plant and Athletic Field are in the Rear The First School Established in America
Devoted to the Higher Education of Women

Troy's Hospitals, Homes and Asylums

Troy takes good care of those among its citizens who are unfortunate. It contains three admirable hospitals. One of these recently was enlarged. Nearly a million dollars contributed by Trojans will be expended the coming year on new buildings for the other two.

There is also a well-conducted Maternity hospital in the city. The Marshall Sanitarium for those afflicted with mental diseases has a fine plant and a splendid reputation. There are four homes for aged women, one conducted by the Episcopalians, one by the Presbyterians, one by the Roman Catholics and one endowed by a prominent family of the city. Four orphan asylums care for another class of dependents. Several homes for working girls have been built and endowed. The Day Home cares for the children of working mothers during the day. Few cities of 80,000 have better provision for those who need help.

Facts About Troy

Population, 80,000, including contiguous communities across the river or separated only by an imaginary county line, the population will exceed 130,000.

A circle drawn with a radius of eighteen miles from the City Hall would include half a million people, a substantial argument to the manufacturer who wants workmen for his factory.

At the head of tidewater navigation on Hudson river. The terminus of the barge canal from north.

Entered by four railroads and four extensive trolley systems.

The Hudson Navigation Co.'s new steel steamers, the finest river boats in the world, ply between Troy and New York.

Three river freight lines accept and route freight to any part of the globe.

Connected with communities across the river by four bridges.

Contains many high grade schools, some of them of international standing.

Ten newspapers.

Nine banks and trust companies. Capital and surplus over \$4,000,000. Deposits, \$25,000,000.

Splendid public buildings, mostly new.

Seventy-one churches, embracing all the leading denominations.

Handsome residential sections, well-paved streets, healthful water, efficient police and fire protection.

Fifteen miles of trolley lines, with a liberal transfer system, going to every section of the city.

Two telegraph and telephone systems.

Public library with nearly fifty thousand volumes.

First in many types of manufacture.

Progressive, well-governed and possessing facilities unequalled in the east.



THE HUDSON RIVER

In the Centre of the City, Showing Landing of the Hudson Navigation Company, their Passenger Steamer, Freight Barges and Tugs
Freight is Routed from Here to Every Part of the World

"Made in Troy" Merchandise

That is Shipped to Every Part of the Globe

COLLARS, CUFFS AND SHIRTS

Cluett, Peabody & Co.
Earl & Wilson
Hall, Hartwell & Co.
Geo. P. Ide & Co.
The Wm. Barker Co.
United Shirt & Collar Co.
American Collar Co.
Jos. Bowman & Sons
Bradt-Lane Co.
Van Zandt-Jacobs Co.
Coon Bros.
Corliss, Coon & Co.
J. B. Dingman Collar Co.
Emigh & Straub
Tim & Co.
Fellows & Co.
Henry Holmes & Son
Interstate Shirt & Collar Co.
E. W. Marvin Co.
Miller Hale Shirt & Collar Co.
Searle Manfg. Co.
J. J. Stettheimer & Co.
Wilbur-Stephens Co.

VALVES

Ludlow Valve Manfg. Co.
Rensselaer Valve Co.
Ross Valve Manfg. Co.

PAINTS

American Seal Paint Works

CHURCH BELLS

Meneely Bell Co.
Meneely & Co.

FIRE BRICK

McLeod-Henry Co.

KNIT UNDERWEAR

Wrights Health Underwear Co.
Chas. A. Brown Co.
Troy Knitting Company

FIREPROOFING

Troy Fireproofing Co.

BRUSH MANUFACTURERS

Owen Connelly
O. Denin's Sons
Diack Bros.
Empire Brush Co.
Flynn Bros.
F. M. Hoyt & Bro.
Monarch Brush Co.
John Morrison Brush Co.
W. D. O'Brien Brush Co.
J. G. O'Bryan
Parks & Parks
Rensselaer Brush Co.
T. F. Smith & Son
A. L. Sonn Brush Co.
Universal Brush Co.
Bernard Ward
E. & C. Wood Co.

BUTTONHOLE MACHINES

Reece Buttonhole Machine Co.

STREET CARS

J. M. Jones' Sons' Co.

CHAIN MANUFACTURERS

J. B. Carr Co.
Covert Manfg. Co.

ENGINEERS AND SURVEYORS INSTRUMENTS

W. & L. E. Gurley

LAUNDRY MACHINERY

Adams Laundry Machinery Co.
Robt. Ewing & Sons

HYDRO-EXTRACTORS

Tolhurst Machine Works

RAILROAD SUPPLIES

Hammitt Machine Works

MALLEABLE IRON WORKS

Troy Malleable Iron Co.
Marshall Foundry

METAL STORE FRONTS

Thorne Hold-Fast Metal Bar Co.

STOVES AND RANGES

Fuller & Warren Co.
Burdett, Smith & Co.
Gold Coin Stove Co.
Phillips & Clark

STAMPED TINWARE

Troy Stamping Works

SIROCCO FANS AND BLOWERS

American Blower Co.

STRUCTURAL IRON

Mahony Manufacturing Co.
West Side Foundry Co.

BOILER GRATES

Neemes Bros.

PAPER MANUFACTURERS

J. A. Manning Paper Co.
Ingersoll Paper Co.
Ilium Paper Co.
Albia Box and Paper Co.

RAIL JOINTS

Continuous Rail Joint Co. of America

MERCHANT IRON AND HORSE SHOES

Burden Iron Co.

FLOUR

Boutwell Milling and Grain Co.



THE HUDSON RIVER
In the Lower Part of the City, Showing Some of its Great Iron Industries



AT NIGHT IN TROY ON THE BANKS OF THE HUDSON
Showing Nearly a Mile of Collar Factories. Many Others are Located in Different Parts of the City

Interesting Sights Around Troy

The Manor Houses of the Dutch Patroons, some of them still standing and in use as museums.

The battlefield of Saratoga, situated in Schuylerville.

The Cohoes Falls.

Cohoes Mills.

Albany Capitol, Educational building, City Hall and churches.

Bennington battlegrounds in Hoosick Falls and Bennington.

Saratoga, with its springs, great hotels and handsome residences.

The General Electric works in Schenectady.

The beautiful Grafton lake country.

The Berkshire hills, with its attractive villages, are less than thirty miles away.

The Adirondacks are within two hours' ride by train or automobile.

Scenes of Indian tradition and warfare dot the whole section.

The center of the paper-making industry extends from Troy northward along the Hudson.

The original Shaker settlement is six miles from Troy.

Three Presidents are intimately associated with the neighborhood. Martin Van Buren lived in Kinderhook, Chester A. Arthur lived in Greenwich and James A. Garfield preached in Poestenkill during his college course.

Williams College.

Union University.

The Barge Canal.



THE BEST

COLLARS AND CUFFS

MALLEABLE IRON

CHURCH BELLS

SHIRTS

PAINTS

STAMPED TINWARE

LAUNDRY MACHINERY

FIREPROOFING

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MANILLA PAPER

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RAILROAD SUPPLIES

RAIL JOINTS

HORSE SHOES

STOVES AND RANGES

CHAINS

GRATES FOR BOILERS

GLOBE VENTILATORS

VALVES

BUTTONHOLE MACHINES

METAL STORE FRONTS

FLOUR

SURVEYORS' INSTRUMENTS

FURNACES AND HEATERS

NEWS PAPER

VENTILATING FANS AND BLOWERS

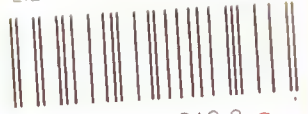
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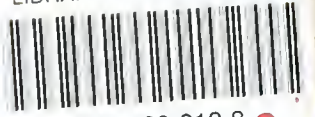
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