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**A BIT OF HISTORY.** — Worcester is often called "The Heart of the Commonwealth." It is the second city in size in the State. The Indian name was Quinsigamond. Worcester in Saxon signifies war-castle (Wegera-ceaster.) The first settler was Ephraim Curtis (1672), an ancestor of the Hon. George William Curtis of New York. The village was destroyed two or three times by Indians, and was not permanently settled until 1675. It was purchased of sagamore Woonaskochu for £12. The central settlement was made about 1684; incorporated in 1722; city charter granted Feb. 29, 1848. The city is beautifully situated in a hilly region on the Blackstone River. The chief business portion of the city lies in a narrow valley running N. and S.; latitude  $42^{\circ}16'17''$  N., longitude  $17^{\circ}48'13''$  W. Distance west of Boston, 44 miles. It was made a shire town of Worcester County in 1731. It is the terminus of four railroads; namely, the Providence and Worcester, the Norwich and Worcester, the Worcester and Nashua, and the Boston, Barre, and Gardner. It is also traversed by the Boston and Albany Railroad. The area of the city is 36 sq.

miles, or 23,040 acres. The population is about 60,000, of whom 5,000 are French Canadians. The city is divided into 8 wards, and contains 13 villages, some of them the seat of manufacturing establishments. Worcester is chiefly noted for its manufactories. There are 24 boot and shoe manufactories, producing about \$5,000,000 worth of goods a year. There are 13 woollen manufactories. The wire mills of the Washburn & Moen Company are the largest in the world. There are three daily newspapers, three weekly, and one semi-weekly. There are two colleges, three preparatory academies, two large State Insane Asylums, and several large libraries, including that of the American Antiquarian Society. The industries are so numerous and so varied that nothing short of a general depression in all branches of trade is ever likely to affect the prosperity of Worcester, even though some of the interests may at times be affected. For a city of its size the educational facilities are almost unequalled. The people, too, take the greatest pride in the city's welfare, and an active interest in every movement that is likely to prove advantageous to the city, which, consequently, is a busy and a happy one, with much culture, an illustrious history, and a fine spirit of patriotism. Its future is as bright as that of any New England city.

**ACADEMY, THE WORCESTER.** — An outgrowth of the Worcester Manual Labor High School (founded 1834). The school has occupied several sites. The present property on Union Hill, cor. Providence St. and Union Av., Ward 4, was purchased in 1869 for \$40,000. The building is of

brick, and with its numerous towers and pinnacles forms a very imposing appearance. The institution prepares for colleges and higher scientific schools. It has an unusual number of scholarships. Nathan Leavenworth, principal.

**ACTIONS FOR ORGANS.** — See Carpenter Organ Manufactory.

**AGRICULTURAL GROUNDS** comprise nearly 25 acres of land (266,134 sq. ft.) W. of the Court House, and bounded by Agricultural, Highland, and Sever Sts. There are a large hall and a  $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile trotting park on the grounds. Prest. of the Agricultural Society (organized 1817), Chas. B. Pratt.

**ALLEN ASSOCIATES.** — See Societies.

**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH** (Protestant Episcopal), Irving, cor. of Pleasant St., is one of the finest churches in the county. The parish was org'd in 1843. April 7, 1874, the original All Saints' Church was destroyed by fire; Dec. 29, 1874, ground was broken for the present structure, whose first stone was put in place May 13, 1875; corner-stone laid July 21, 1875; and dedication Jan. 4, 1877. The building has a granite foundation, and is built of brown stone. It is 133 ft. long, and the spire is 162 ft. high. The rector is the Rev. Wm. R. Huntington, D.D., who has officiated here since 1862. He is the longest-settled minister in the city.

**AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY.**  
— See Antiquarian Society.

**ANTIQUITIES.** — See Worcester Society of Antiquity.

**ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY, THE AMERICAN.** — Cor. Main and Highland Sts. Formed in 1812 by Isaiah Thomas, Levi Lincoln, and others. Among the valuable early acquisitions of the library were about 900 volumes from the Mather libraries, donated by Mrs. Crocker of Boston, — a granddaughter of Cotton Mather. The first library building on the cor. of Summer and Belmont Sts., and most of the funds, were the gift of Isaiah Thomas, LL.D., the founder and first president of the Society. Mr. Stephen Salisbury, the present president, added to the building and the funds; and there were other gifts. The addition to the society's building was made in 1877-78. The collections of MSS., antique books, Indian and archæological specimens, form, for the curious and scholarly, one of the most interesting sights in the city. By the provisions of the by-laws, the number of American members can at no time exceed 140, scattered throughout the extent of the continent; but there is no limit to the election of foreign members. The aggregate of the several funds is now upwards of \$80,000. The library contains about 70,000 vols., including 4,000 newspapers, from the Boston News Letter (1704) to those of the present time. Six vols. of very valuable *Archæologia Americana* have been published, besides many reports and minor publications. Here may be seen the original press on which Isaiah Thomas originally printed the *Worcester Spy*. Annual meeting in October; semi-annual meeting in Boston at rooms of Am. Acad. of Arts and Sciences.

**ASNYBUMSKIT.** — The highest point of land in the vicinity of Worcester. Seven miles N. E. of

the city; summit 1,407.42 feet above tide-water. From the summit of Asnybunskit there is a magnificent view of Monadnock (3,186 feet high), Wachusett (2,008), and the Green Mts. beyond.

#### ASYLUM FOR THE CHRONIC INSANE.

— See Charities.

**BANCROFT'S BIRTHPLACE.** — Leaving Lincoln Sq., and passing up Salisbury St. for three-fourths of a mile, we come to the house in which Hon. George Bancroft, the historian and statesman, was born. The house was built nearly 150 years ago by Aaron Walker, a blacksmith. It was afterwards kept as a public house by Benjamin Thayer, and then occupied by Rev. Aaron Bancroft, D.D., first minister of the Second Congregational Unitarian Church of Worcester.

**BANKS, NATIONAL.** — *Central*, 452 Main St., capital, \$300,000. John C. Mason, Prest.; Henry A. Marsh, Cash.

*City*, cor. Main and Pearl Sts., capital \$400,000. Calvin Foster, Prest.; Nathaniel Paine, Cash.

*Citizens*, 425 Main St., capital \$150,000. F. H. Kinnicutt, Prest.; L. W. Hammond, Cash.

*First*, 410 Main St., capital \$300,000. E. A. Goodnow, Prest.; A. H. Waite, Cash.

*Mechanics*, 311 Main St., capital \$300,000. Harrison Bliss, Prest.; George E. Merrill, Cash.

*Quinsigamond*, 241 Main St., capital \$250,000. Edward L. Davis, Prest.; John L. Chamberlin, Cash.

*Worcester*, 9 Foster St., capital \$500,000. Stephen Salisbury, Prest.; James P. Hamilton, Cash.

**BANKS, SAVINGS.** — *Mechanics*, 311 Main St.; incorporated May 15, 1851. Harrison Bliss, Prest.; Henry Woodward, Treas.

*People's*, 452 Main St.; incorporated May 13, 1864. L. J. Knowles, Prest.; C. M. Bent, Treas.

*Worcester County Institution for Savings*, 13 Foster St.; incorporated Feb. 8, 1828. Stephen Salisbury, jun., Prest.; Chas. A. Chase, Treas.

*Worcester Five Cents*, 246 Main St.; incorporated April 1, 1854. Clarendon Harris, Prest.; George W. Wheeler, Treas.

See also People's Savings Bank.

**BARBED WIRE.** — See Washburn & Moen Company.

**BARNARD, SUMNER, & CO.**, whose mainmoth establishment occupies the Union Building at Nos. 327 and 329 Main St., is the oldest and largest dry-goods and carpet house in this county. The building, erected in 1851, is five stories high including the basement; each floor 50 by 160 ft., and the total floor surface is about an acre. Its site has an historical interest. Here stood the wooden dwelling built in 1806 by Stephen Goddard, who occupied it until 1810, when he sold it to Deacon Jas. Wilson, the veteran Worcester postmaster from 1801 to 1833. It is impossible in the limited space even to indicate the innumerable articles sold in this establishment; for to-day a "dry-goods and carpet house" sells almost every thing used by a family, including particularly dry goods, carpets, millinery, silks, suits, cloaks, notions, fancy goods, gentlemen's furnishing goods, upholstery, curtains, draperies, small wares, etc. The visitor or resident always finds here many



interesting exhibits, and on pleasant days the throng is so great that it is almost impossible to get a sight of the many departments. The business was begun in 1834 by H. H. Chamberlin & Co., in a small store almost opposite the present large establishment. In 1852 the firm name became Chamberlin, Barnard, & Co., which continued until 1857, when the existing firm, composed of Lewis Barnard, George Sumner, and Otis E. Putnam, succeeded to the business, which they have multiplied many times in variety and in extent.

**BAY STATE HOUSE**, on Main St., cor. of Exchange St., is the largest and best-conducted hotel in Worcester. On its site has stood a tavern or hotel ever since the town was incorporated, about 160 years. In 1854 the property was bought by the Bay State Hotel Corporation, who at once erected the present hotel, at a cost of \$160,000, making it by far the best hotel in this part of Massachusetts. The front, on Main St., is five stories high and 100 ft. long; on Exchange St. it is six stories high and 170 ft. long. It has accommodations for 300 guests. Its situation is very convenient; the Herdic coaches, stages, and horse-cars passing directly in front. Ever since it was opened, in 1857, it has been the hostelry of most of the prominent visitors, and the chief centre for the political and other conventions and the numerous public gatherings usual to this city. Its various floors are reached by passenger and baggage elevator. The rooms throughout are large and airy, and the hotel is conducted as well as hotels generally are in cities of the size of Worcester. The landlords have been as follows; (1) Warner Clifford;

(2) Major Church Howe; (3) Lindsley & Randall; (4) Hatch & Wilcox; (5) Horace Barnes; (6) Chas. B. Pratt; (7) Pond & Shepard; and finally (8) the present landlord, W. L. Shepard, who has conducted the hotel since April, 1881, and has made various improvements. The hotel is on the European and American plans; the charges on the former varying from \$1 to \$3 a day, and on the latter from \$3 to \$4 a day.

**BIGELOW MONUMENT.**—On the Common; a slender and delicate piece of Gothic architecture, erected in 1861 to the memory of Col. Timothy Bigelow, of Revolutionary fame, by his great-grandson Timothy Bigelow Lawrence.

**BOARD OF TRADE, THE WORCESTER,** org'd 1873, incorp'd 1875, once kept pleasant rooms for social gatherings and business meetings, but for various reasons gave them up a few years ago. The association is still maintained, and meets annually on the third Friday in January. The prest. is J. H. Walker, and the sec'y Chas. A. Chase.

**BOOKS RELATING TO WORCESTER.**  
—The chief works are: History of Worcester, by Wm. Lincoln, with additions by Chas. Hersey (1862); Celebration of the Inhabitants of Worcester of the Centennial Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence (1876); Worcester in the War of the Revolution, by Albert A. Lovell (1876); Reminiscences of Worcester, by Caleb A. Wall (1877); History of Worcester, by Chas. A. Chase [in the History of Worcester County, published by Chas. F. Jewett & Co.] (1879); History of Worcester in

the War of the Rebellion, by A. P. Marvin (1880); Illustrated Business Guide, published by Snow, Woodman, & Co. (1831); the various volumes of the Worcester Society of Antiquity; the regular issues of the Worcester City Directory; and the several issues of the Worcester Almanac and Business Directory.

**BOOT MANUFACTURING.** — See Heywood & Co.

**CANADIANS.** — See French Canadians.

**CARPENTER'S ORGAN AND ORGAN-ACTION MANUFACTORY**, occupying a large four-story brick building on May St., near Main, is the largest organ-action factory in the world; and the Carpenter organs and actions rank among the best made anywhere.' This is evidenced by the recent award of the judges at the latest great exhibition, the International Cotton Exposition at Atlanta, Ga., where the judges granted to the Carpenter organs the highest award, "for sweetness and evenness of tone, ingenious combinations in all the arrangements, and action, variety, and general excellence in design and workmanship." It is not strange that this award was made, for the Carpenter family are among the pioneer organ-makers in America. E. B. Carpenter was a partner, in 1850, of the firm of Burdett & Carpenter, melodeon manufacturers, in Brattleborough, Vt., the firm in reality consisting of only Mr. Carpenter and Jacob Estey. Since then he has been in the following firms: In 1854, E. B. Carpenter, manufacturer of melodeons, in Brattleborough, Vt.; in 1865, Tewksbury & Carpenter, organ-makers, Mendota, Ill.; and in 1875,

Western Cottage Organ Co., Mendota, Ill. His son, E. P. Carpenter, inherited a capacity and liking for the business; and, in the 20 years in which he has devoted himself wholly to it, he has attained most noteworthy success. He has not only learned what his father's long and varied experience would naturally teach him, but he entered into the business with so many advanced ideas and practical improvements that most organ-manufacturers in America have been thoroughly aroused by his progress. The people of Worcester all know him as one of the most industrious, most persevering, and most thrifty manufacturers in the city, and seem to take pleasure in his apparent prosperity. The factory building, on May St., is four stories high, and has a frontage of 90 feet, a depth of 228 feet, an average width of 66 feet, a surface on the ground floor of 15,000 sq. ft., and a total floor surface (not including dry-houses and loft) of upwards of 60,000 sq. ft. The Carpenter organ-actions include more than 100 varieties; and the organs are made for all purposes, — churches, schools, halls, families, children, etc. In these organs are many inventions of which the patents are held exclusively by this firm. The reeds, the cases, and all materials used, are guaranteed to be of the best grade, and complete reliance may always be placed on an organ bearing the name of E. P. Carpenter.

**CEMETERIES.** — All the old burying-grounds of the city have disappeared; the remains of those buried in them during the first century and a quarter of the city's existence having been removed to the newer cemeteries. The first graveyard was at

the cor. of Summer and Thomas Sts., in a grove of oaks. 28 persons were buried in it, previous to the establishment of the graveyard on the Common, in 1730.

*Grove St. or Rural Cemetery*, bet. Grove and Prescott Sts., established Feb. 23, 1838, by the Rural Cemetery Association (which itself was formed in the same year). It contains about 50 acres, and is one of the most charming places of this kind. The original area was only 9 acres. There are many beautiful monuments.

*Hope Cemetery*, established 1828, situated southward from New Worcester. The original 53 acres were bought by the city, in 1851, for \$1,850. The first chairman of the trustees of the cemetery was Hon. Levi Lincoln, the first prest. of the Rural Cemetery Association. It comprises 67 acres. In a lovely spot in Hope Cemetery are buried the remains of the tenants of the old Pine St. Burial-place; and in another, those of the Mechanic St. Burial-ground. Hope Cemetery is owned by the city, and is so beautiful that it is used as a park by citizens of New Worcester.

*Rural Cemetery.* — See Grove St. Cemetery.

*St. Anne's Catholic Burying-Ground*, Shrewsbury St., nr. Lake Quinsigamond. Contains about 2 acres. Established in 1864.

*St. John's Catholic Burying-Ground*, bet. Sutton Lane and Sutton Road, South Worcester. A beautiful cemetery, containing about 50 acres. Established in 1847. There are many fine monuments, among them that of the novelist, Father John Boyze.

*Tatnuck Catholic Burying-Ground* contains about 2 acres; on Pleasant St. Established 1840.

CENTRAL PARK. — See Parks.

### CHARITIES AND HOSPITALS.

*Asylum for the Chronic Insane, The Temporary.* — Bounded by Summer, East Central, Asylum, Mulberry, and Smith Sts. Established by legislature in 1877. The old buildings of the State Lunatic Hospital on Summer St. were appropriated, and the institution opened Oct. 23, 1877. The inmates consist of such chronic insane as are transferred to the buildings by the State Board of Charities.

On March 11, 1882, the number of patients was 388. The expenses for the year were \$68,145.47. Amount of restraint is reduced as much as possible. One-third of the patients are unrestrained by locks, except at night. The restraining apparatus consists of only six muffs, twenty wrist-straps and belts, and five camisoles. Letters of the patients are forwarded as directed. There is work, out-door exercise, and weekly entertainments. Hosea M. Quinby, M.D., Supt. (resident).

*Children's Friend Society.* — Main St., cor. Benefit. Organized 1848. Mrs. Mary W. Brown, First Directress. During the past year 79 children were received, 29 were placed in good homes, and 15 of the boarders have returned to their homes: three children have been adopted during the year. There are now 33 in the home.

*City Hospital.* — Cor. Hospital and Queen Sts. Founded June 26, 1871, when an appropriation of \$10,000 was made by the city; and in October of the same year the hospital opened to the public in the Bigelow Mansion on Front St. In 1872 the

late George Jaques gave three acres of land on the south side of Prince St. for the site of a hospital, and, at his death, bequeathed to the hospital nearly all of his large property, valued at upwards of \$200,000. In 1874 the hospital was removed to the Jaques estate. In a few years the present brick building was begun on high adjoining ground. The old wooden buildings have been divided into sections, and moved away. There are seven trustees of the hospital chosen by the city council. Most of the patients are, or will be, non-paying.

The hospital is a great ornament to the city, — a very attractive place to visit, now in its freshness and newness. It was opened in December, 1881; and up to March 10, 1882, 75 patients had been received at different times. There are accommodations for 40. It is divided into two parts, — one for males, and another (exactly similar) for females. The two ward-rooms have 15 beds in each. There are ten nicely furnished private rooms for paying patients. The wards are heated by steam-pipes beneath the floors. It is proposed to build, very soon, two isolated wards off the ends of the corridors, and, some time in the future, other wards. The building cost \$70,000. Dr. Chas. A. Peabody, formerly at the State Lunatic Hospital, is the urbane and accomplished resident physician, to whom applications must be made.

*Home For Aged Females.* — Founded by a bequest of \$25,000 from Hon. Ichabod Washburn, in 1868, who also provided for bestowing upon it his homestead and \$42,500 on the decease of his widow. In 1873 a home at 50 Orange St. was purchased and fitted up at a cost of \$28,000, and 7 trustees ap-

pointed. The trustees annually choose 24 visitors (one-half at least women), who control admissions. Each inmate pays an entrance fee of \$100, and for this sum secures a pleasant home for life. Prest., Chas. F. Washburn. Board of visitors meets first Wednesday of each month.

*Lunatic Hospital, The State.* — Millstone Hill, bordering Lake Quinsigamond. (Take Worcester and Shrewsbury dummy car at Union Depot for Bloomingdale. See also Omnibuses.) Opened Jan. 18, 1833, on Summer St., under the charge of Dr. Samuel B. Woodward. Various additions of land were made to this site; but, the institution being crowded for room, 300 acres of land were bought on the eastern side of Millstone Hill, and a vast hospital opened there in 1877. The building is a most imposing structure, on a most imposing site. A beautiful lake stretches away to the S., and various white villages are seen far away in the distance, in several directions. The building is of granite, with brick and granite trimmings. The whole number of cases under treatment in 1881 was 782. During the year 237 were admitted. Number of recoveries, 54. Number of persons admitted from 1833 to 1881 has been 9,450. The number of patients in the hospital on March 11, 1882, was 630. The present water-supply is obtained from Bell Pond, which contains 11 acres, and lies 60 feet above the first story of the building. It is decided to obtain the water-supply from the city water-works, high service. The garden and farm produce a great deal of vegetables, fruit, etc., — last year, e.g., 2,787 quarts of strawberries, 114,675 quarts of milk, 6,000 pounds of squashes, etc. The Supt. of the hospital is John



G. Park, M.D., and his assistant physicians Albert R. Moulton, E. V. Scribner, Everett Flood, and J. H. Houston.

*Memorial Hospital.* — Founded by a bequest from the late Ichabod Washburn, but not yet established in a building. A free dispensary has been for some time maintained out of the fund.

*Old Men's Home.* — Incorporated 1876, and received from Albert Curtis a valuable and desirable estate in New Worcester. No home has yet been fitted up, for lack of funds. Prest., Isaac Davis. Annual meeting, second Monday in January.

*Overseers of the Poor* have charge of the Almshouse, Truant School, and the insane. Regular meetings at City Hall, 7.30 P.M., on first Friday of each month. During 1881 they expended for the poor, \$15,523.54. Families who received aid, 680; or 2,119 persons. Of these, 133 were supported at the city almshouse for a part of the year. Total valuation of Poor Farm property in 1881 was \$90,895.59. Total expenditure for Truant School in 1881, \$688.27.

*Poor Farm.* — Consists of 304 acres, partly in the north-east part of Worcester, and partly in Shrewsbury and Boylston. It is under the charge of the overseers of the poor; B. F. Parkhurst, Sup't. The building cost \$25,000, and was completed in 1855. The land is valued at \$20,500, and the buildings at \$38,500. The offal of the city is carried to the Poor Farm, and fed to swine.

*Truant School.* — There is a truant school connected with the Poor Farm; sup't, B. F. Parkhurst.

*Worcester Employment Society* provides sewing for needy women. The garments made are

sold in the city, or sent to Indians, freedmen, and sufferers by flood or famine. The society bears some analogy to the associated charities of other cities, since it affiliates with other local charitable organizations. In 1881, 55 women were employed. Mrs. Theodore Brown, Prest.

**CHILDREN'S FRIEND SOCIETY.** — See Charities.

**CHIMES.** — The Plymouth Cong. Trin. Church, cor. Pearl and Chestnut Sts., has a chime of ten bells which cost \$5,500, and was presented to the church in 1880 by E. A. Goodnow, Prest. First National Bank. The bells were cast by Meneely of Troy, N.Y. Following are their weights and order in the scale: 3,000 lb., E-flat; 2,000 lb., F; 1,500 lb., G; 1,200 lb., A-flat; 800 lb., B-flat; 500 lb., C; 450 lb., D-flat; 400 lb., D; 350 lb., E-flat; 250 lb., E. The largest bell can be, and is, disconnected so as to serve the purposes of an ordinary bell. Judging from what has been told him by citizens, the donor of this chime has reason to consider the money spent for his little silver-tongued preachers as an excellent investment. The second largest organ in the city has also been placed in Plymouth Church through the liberality of Mr. Goodnow.

**CHOLLAR'S FURNITURE AND UPHOLSTERY ESTABLISHMENT** is one of the most extensive industries in Worcester. Many people who frequently pass the Taylor Granite Block, 476 Main St., opposite the Old South Church, have no idea whatever of the magnitude of this establishment, which occupies a floor surface of over 30,000 sq. ft. under one roof; and but few

people realize that one of the largest and most varied stocks of furniture and upholstery to be seen anywhere in this country is to be seen here in Worcester. A glance through the premises will, however, convince the most sceptical that Mr. Chollar's stock is surpassed by not many American firms. On the first floor, as you enter, is a show-room, with numerous bits of display furniture. Next is the main office; then one room devoted to the display of fancy goods, rattan and cane goods; and then one large room containing a noteworthy exhibit of finely upholstered and truly artistic furniture, elegant hangings and draperies, and the novelties necessary to fit up houses in the most elaborate and most tasty manner. Back of the main room are the shipping and receiving rooms, occupying parts of two stories. On the second floor is one large hall, 40 x 130 ft., with an annex 50 ft. square, for the display of suites of parlor and chamber furniture; and here 200 suites of furniture are always set up.

On the third floor is a room, 40 x 130 feet, filled with all kinds of ordinary furniture, in infinite variety, and at prices low enough to suit the poorest and most economical buyer. In the annex to this room, 50 ft. square, is a well-selected variety of library, dining-room, and hall furniture.

On the fourth floor is a series of rooms used for various purposes. The largest is the former Military Hall, once the City Armory, 50 x 85 ft., now used for the storage of the reserve stock of furniture of all kinds. The others are used respectively for finishing-room, cabinet-shop, cutting and sewing room for draperies, hangings, and upholsteries, and the upholstery room for custom-work.

From the above it will be seen that Mr. Chollar's premises include the whole of four stories, and a part of a fifth. Of the 30,000 sq. ft., about 8,000 are used solely for storage and manufacturing. It is one of the best-lighted establishments of its class in this country. The aim of the firm has been to cater to every demand, from the very richest to the very poorest classes of people, to furnish all grades of goods, with prices consistent with the kinds of goods; and here the poor man may come to buy his small stock of substantial furniture at the lowest prices to be obtained anywhere, while the wealthier persons are sure of obtaining the best goods offered by any house. John D. Chollar, the proprietor, is known to almost all Worcester people, as he has been a resident here for nearly 30 years, and during all this time he has devoted himself wholly to this line of business. His trade is not limited to Worcester, but extends over many States, north, south, east, and west; the several railroads entering Worcester making it a convenient place to order from. A specialty is made of supplying hotels, boarding-houses, churches, Masonic and other halls, with their complete furniture outfits. The business is not confined to ready-made furniture, but, to a great extent, includes making to order any thing in this line. Special attention is given to repairing and upholstering all grades of furniture. The building — Taylor's Granite Block — is one of the finest in the city, and all its floors are connected by elevator. Any resident or visitor who has never visited Mr. Chollar's establishment would be well repaid for the time consumed in its inspection; being assured that everyone is welcome and very politely received.

**CHORAL UNION, THE WORCESTER.**

—Organized 1850; incorporated 1872. Carl Zerahn, musical director. Annual rehearsals in October; Chas. E. Wilder, Prest.

**CHURCHES.**—Worcester, like Brooklyn, N. Y., is sometimes spoken of as the city of churches. It contains no fewer than 43, — 8 Baptist, 1 Christadelphian, 11 Congregational Trinitarian, 1 Disciples of Christ, 1 Friends, 1 Jewish, 10 Methodist, 6 Roman Catholic, 1 Second Advent, 2 Unitarian, and 1 Universalist.

**BAPTIST.**

*Dewey Street*, Dewey St., bet. Chandler and Pleasant; orgd. 1872; B. H. Lane, pastor.

*First*, Salem Sq.; orgd. 1812; Benjamin D. Marshall, pastor.

*Free*, 321 Main St.; orgd. 1881; J. S. Burgess (supplying), pastor.

*French*, 405 Main St.; orgd. 1881; Narcisse Duval, pastor.

*Lincoln Sq.*, 5 Highland St.; orgd. 1881; J. Judson Miller, pastor.

*Main St.*, 710 Main St.; orgd. 1853; — — —, pastor.

*Pleasant St.*, Pleasant St. nr. Main; orgd. 1841; — — —, pastor.

*Swedish*, 405 Main St.; orgd. 1881; Pierre Adolf Hjelm, pastor.

**CHRISTADELPHIAN.**

*Christadelphian*, 460 Main, — — —, pastor.

**CONGREGATIONAL TRINITARIAN.**

*Central*, Main St. nr. George; orgd. 1820; Daniel Merriman, pastor.

*First Parish* (Old South), on the Common; org'd. 1816; J. F. Lovering, pastor.

*French Congregational*, 8 Washington Sq. Org'd 1881. John Syvret, pastor.

*Highland-st. Chapel*, Highland, cor. Boynton. Org'd 1878. — —, pastor.

*Lake View Chapel*, Lake View. Org'd 1880. — —, pastor.

*Piedmont*, Main, cor. Piedmont. Org'd 1872. David O. Mears, pastor.

*Plymouth*, Pearl St., cor. Chestnut. Org'd 1869. Geo. W. Phillips, pastor.

*Salem St.*, Salem Sq., near Front. Org'd 1848. Chas. M. Lamson, pastor.

*Summer-st. Mission Chapel*, Summer, cor. Bridge. Org'd 1865. Wm. T. Sleeper, pastor.

*Swedish Congregational*, 8 Wash. Sq. Org'd 1880. Geo. Wiberg, pastor.

*Union*, Front St., cor. Carlton. Org'd 1836. Henry A. Stimson, pastor.

#### DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.

*Church of Christ*, Thomas St., bet. Union and Main. Org'd 1860. Frank N. Calvin, pastor.

#### FRIENDS.

*Society of Friends*, Oxford St., cor. Chatham. Org'd 1837. John B. Daniels.

#### JEWISH.

*Children of Israel*, 476 Main St. Org'd 1877. Heiman Towvin, pastor.

#### METHODIST.

*All Saints*, Irving, cor. Pleasant St. Org'd 1843. Wm. R. Huntington, pastor.

*Bethel African*, Laurel, cor. Hanover. Org'd 1867. D. H. Porter, pastor.

*Coral St.*, Coral St. Org'd 1872. Austin F. Herrick, pastor.

*Grace Free*, Walnut St., near Main. Org'd 1867. D. H. Ela, pastor.

*Laurel Street*, Laurel St., cor. Carroll. Org'd 1845. Garrett Beekman, pastor.

*St. Matthew's*, South Worcester. Org'd 1871. Julius H. Waterbury, pastor.

*Swedish*, Quinsigamond School House. Org'd 1879. Albert F. Ericson, pastor.

*Trinity*, Main, cor. Chandler. Org'd 1830. C. L. Rogers, pastor.

*Webster Sq.*, Webster Sq. (New Worcester). Org'd 1860. J. O. Knowles, pastor.

*Zion*, 86 Exchange St. Org'd 1846. James C. Lodge, pastor.

#### ROMAN CATHOLIC.

*Church of the Immaculate Conception*, Prescott St., near Lexington. Org'd 1874. Robert Walsh, pastor.

*Church of the Sacred Heart*, Cambridge St., cor. Pitt. Org'd 1880. Thos. J. Conaty, pastor.

*Notre Dame des Canadiens*, 31 Park St. Org'd 1869. Firmin Vignon, pastor.

*St. Anne's*, Shrewsbury, cor. E. Worcester St. Org'd 1855. Dennis Scannell, pastor.

*St. John's*, Temple St., Ward 4. Org'd 1846. Thomas Griffin, pastor.

*St. Paul's*, Chatham, cor. High. Org'd 1868. John J. Power, pastor.

## SECOND ADVENT.

*Second Advent Church*, Central, near Main St.  
Org'd 1841. Franklin D. Barnes, pastor.

## UNITARIAN.

*Church of the Unity*, Elm St., near Main.  
Org'd 1845. Roland A. Wood, pastor.

*Second Parish*, Main St., opp. Market. Org'd  
1785. — —, pastor.

## UNIVERSALIST.

*First Universalist*, Pleasant St., near Chestnut.  
Org'd 1841. Moses H. Harris, pastor.

**CITY GOVERNMENT.** — 1882. City Hall,  
cor. Main and Front Sts., on the Common.

MAYOR. — Elijah B. Stoddard.

ALDERMEN. — Benjamin Walker, Andrew Athy,  
Dorrance S. Goddard, Hiram Fobes, Charles G.  
Reed, Matthew J. McCafferty, Loring Coes, R.  
James Tatman.

COMMON COUNCIL. — *Prest.*, Edward O. Parker.

*Ward 1.* — John G. Brady, J. L. Ellsworth,  
Thos. Smith.

*Ward 2.* — Wm. F. Dearborn, F. J. Barnard,  
Chas. A. Harrington.

*Ward 3.* — Jas. C. Coffey, D. J. Savage, John B.  
O'Leary.

*Ward 4.* — J. J. O'Gorman, John J. White,  
Daniel S. Scannell.

*Ward 5.* — Wm. O'Connell, Benjamin Booth,  
John Timon.

*Ward 6.* — Edward Jones, J. W. Plaisted, Samuel  
C. Andrews.



*Ward 7* — Edward O. Parker, G. E. Batchelder, G. A. Longley.

ASSESSORS. — L. A. Ely, J. P. Houghton, Levi Barker.

ASSISTANT ASSESSORS. — Isaac N. Metcalf, Samuel E. Staples, John W. Foley, Patrick McCarty, Samuel D. May, Asaph R. Marshall, Jonathan Luther, Hammond W. Hubbard.

CITY CLERK. — Enoch H. Towne.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR. — Wm. S. Barton.

AUDITOR. — Henry Griffin.

CITY ENGINEER. — Charles A. Allen.

CITY SOLICITOR. — Frank P. Goulding.

CITY PHYSICIAN. — Rufus Woodward.

COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS. — Joseph S. Perry.

SUPT. OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS. — Chas. H. Peck.

SUPT. OF SEWERS. — R. H. Chamberlain.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS. — The City Clerk and clerk of Board of Assessors, *ex officio*, and Richard Matthews.

COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC GROUNDS. — Edward W. Lincoln, O. B. Hadwen, Stephen Salisbury, jun.

CLERK OF COMMON COUNCIL. — S. Hamilton Coe.

JUSTICE OF CENTRAL DISTRICT COURT. — Hartley Williams.

CITY MARSHAL. — James M. Drennan.

CITY MESSENGER. — Charles Marvin.

CLERK OF OVERSEERS OF POOR. — Geo. W. Gale.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION. — The Mayor; Aldermen Goddard and McCafferty; President of the Council; Councilmen Longley, Barnard, and Scannell.

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS. — Albert P. Marble.

CLERK OF SCHOOL BOARD. — Chas. F. Pierce.

WATER COMMISSIONER. — Frank E. Hall.

WATER REGISTRAR. — J. Stewart Brown.

CHIEF FIRE ENGINEER. — Simon E. Combs.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE. — Rebecca Barnard, Sarah B. Earle, John J. Casey, John J. McCoy, Owen H. Conlin, Asaph R. Marshall, Emerson Warner, George E. Francis, George W. Phillips, Forrest E. Barker, Dennis Scannell, Jeremiah Murphy, Thomas J. Conaty, George H. Ball, Kate C. Taft, Rufus Woodward, Austin P. Cristy, Chas. M. Lamson, Eugene M. Moriarty, John B. Cosgrove, George C. Reidy, Alzirus Brown, Henry L. Parker, George Swan.

WARD OFFICERS. — *Ward 1.* — Warden, T. S. N. Eaton; clerk, Jas. Logan.

*Ward 2.* — Warden, Forrest E. Barker; clerk, George W. Gale.

*Ward 3.* — Warden, Lyman Brown; clerk, John P. Fay.

*Ward 4.* — Warden, Patrick H. Carroll; clerk, Jeremiah Hagerty.

*Ward 5.* — Warden, John H. Reilly; clerk, Wm. A. Adams.

*Ward 6.* — Warden, Jonathan C. French; clerk, Willis C. Young.

*Ward 7.* — Warden, Samuel E. Hildreth; clerk, Arthur E. Dennis.

*Ward 8.* — Warden, Edward R. Fiske; clerk, Woodbury C. Smith.

CITY HALL. — On the Common. The cornerstone of the building, as it originally stood, was laid Aug. 2, 1824. It was then only 64x54 feet, and cost \$7,000. In 1841 an extension of fifty feet was made

upon the E. side. The upper room has witnessed many notable political gatherings and conventions. The building was also altered in 1848, 1852, 1857, and 1866.

**CITY HOSPITAL.** — See Charities.

**CLOTHING.** — See Macullar & Son.

**COLLEGE OF THE HOLY CROSS.** — Charmingly situated on Mount Pakachoag, College St., near Southbridge; site of the old Nipmuck Indian settlement, which was composed of praying converts of John Eliot. The college was founded in 1843, by Rev. Benedict J. Fenwick, Bishop of Boston, and by him presented to the Society of Jesus. Prepares young men for either a professional or a commercial career. Entire course, seven years. Academic term begins on first Wednesday of September, and ends on the last Thursday in June. Rev. Edward D. Boone, Prest.

**COMMON, THE.** — Also called Central Park. At Front, Park, Salem, and Main Sts. It was set apart for a training-field and for the location of a schoolhouse shortly after the settlement of the place. In 1719 the second church ever built in the city was erected on the Common. Until about 1838 two highways crossed it diagonally. In the eastern portion, where now stands a grove of trees, the old burial-ground was located. In about 1853 a careful plan was made of this graveyard, and preserved, and the stones were sunk into the ground over the graves, the inscriptions having been previously copied. A pound also stood at one time on the east side of the Common. Other buildings formerly

on the Common were the cannon-house of the Artillery Company, the hearse-house, a hook-and-ladder house, and two schoolhouses. For over thirty years the Norwich and Worcester Railroad ran across the Common; also, for a few years, the Providence and Worcester Railroad. On the Common there now remain only the Old South Church, City Hall, the Soldiers' Monument, and the Bigelow Monument. In 1834 the Common was fenced in. The old pound and the hearse-house were removed in 1849. The area of the Common in 1734 was 11 acres and 140 rods: it now contains 7 acres of ground shaded by noble trees, and traversed by broad malls.

**COMMONWEALTH CLUB, THE.** — 11 Foster St., second floor; org'd. 1880, by citizens, to promote political knowledge among its members. In January, 1881, it was incorporated "for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a place for the uses of a reading-room, library, and for social meeting." The clubrooms are open from 7 A.M. to 11 P.M. The membership, now exceeding 200, includes many of the best-known citizens.

**CONTINENTALS, THE WORCESTER,** is an independent military org'n, and comprises a battalion of companies, having in all 140 men. It was started in 1876. Its armory is in the Old Theatre Building, at 12 Front St. It makes one parade in the spring and another in the autumn. Its commander is Lieut. Col. W. S. B. Hopkins. The uniform is like that of the officers in the Continental army of 1776.

**COUNTY JAIL.** — See Jail.

**COURT-HOUSES, COUNTY.** — On Court

Hill, near Lincoln Sq. The present brick building, erected in 1801-3, is the third in a lineal succession, the first having been built in 1733. The large and elegant building of Quincy granite, S. of the brick building, was built in 1845 at a cost of \$100,000. It is on the site of the dwelling of Isaiah Thomas, the famous patriot printer. The architecture resembles in some parts that of the Tower of the Winds at Athens. The whole building, except the rear end, is made of hammered stone. In 1879 an addition was made to this new court-house, at a cost of \$50,000.

## COURTS.

*Supreme Judicial Court.*—At Worcester: Jury Term, April 11; Law Term, Oct. 3. Rules in Equity, first Monday in every month.

*Superior Court.*—At Worcester: criminal cases, Jan. 16, May 8, and Oct. 16; civil cases, March 6, Sept. 4, and Dec. 11.

*Probate Court and Court of Insolvency.*—Probate office at S. Court-house, Worcester. Judge, Adin Thayer. Terms at Worcester, first and third Tuesdays of every month except August.

*County Commissioners.*—At Worcester: fourth Tuesday in March, third Tuesday in June, second Tuesday in September, and fourth Tuesday in December.

*District Courts.*—Central District Court of Worcester, for civil cases, every Saturday in City Hall, Front and Main; criminal cases daily at City Hall at 9 A.M. Justice, Hartley Williams.

*Sheriff.*—Augustus B. R. Sprague, Worcester.

*Clerk of the Courts.*—Theodore S. Johnson.

*Register of Deeds.* — Harvey B. Wilder.

*District Attorney.* — Francis T. Blackmer.

*County Commissioners.* — William O. Brown of Fitchburg, Henry G. Taft of Uxbridge, George S. Duell of Brookfield.

*Masters in Chancery.* — At Worcester: J. Henry Hill, Joseph Mason, Henry C. Rice, Samuel Utley, George M. Woodward.

**COURT HILL** is the name given to one of the most prominent eminences in the heart of Worcester, — at Lincoln Square, — on which are the two court-houses, Antiquarian Hall, the Second Congregational Church, etc.

**COW TAVERN** was the name of an inn that many years ago stood at the junction of Salisbury and Front Sts. It gave way some years ago to make room for the attractive residence of F. P. Stowell.

**CUMMINGS BLOCK**, erected in 1879, from 55 to 61 Main St., is one of the best business blocks in the city. It was built by G. Henry Whitcomb, and named in honor of his mother, whose maiden name was Cummings. On the ground-floor are three commodious stores; and above, the several stories are arranged as "French flats." It is provided with many conveniences and safeguards, including an automatic hydraulic elevator, and fire-proof entrances rear and front.

**CURRIER'S INSURANCE AGENCY** is one of the oldest and foremost in New England. It represents the general agency of the Lancashire Insurance Company of England, and the local agency of fifteen English and American companies.

having gross assets of upwards of \$75,000,000. Aug. N. Currier, who established and still conducts this agency, has been an underwriter for more than thirty-five years, having for many years managed the People's Insurance Company of Worcester. He is also one of the long-time and highly esteemed citizens, and holds important positions in numerous literary, social, financial, and other institutions; such as director of the Central National Bank, the State Mutual Life Assurance Company, the People's Savings Bank, etc. The business done at this agency is probably the most extensive in Worcester; and while it includes the whole or partial insurance of many of the most important local industries, and the dwellings and personal property of a great number of people in Worcester County, it also draws to the city the premiums taken by about 125 agents in various parts of New England for the Lancashire of England, of which Mr. Currier is the general agent. In the limited space, it is possible to enumerate only some of the companies represented by Mr. Currier, such as the Royal of Liverpool; London Assurance of London; Norwich Union of England; London and Lancashire of London; Insurance Company of North America, of Philadelphia; Pennsylvania Fire of Philadelphia; American of Philadelphia; Continental of New York; Springfield of Springfield. Not one of all these companies has assets less than \$1,000,000; and all of them have international reputations for the prompt and equitable settlement of losses. The offices at 377 Main Street are large and well lighted, and fully equipped for the several employees conveniently to perform their varied work.

**DEAN BUILDING**, Lincoln Sq., cor. Summer St., is a large block 45 by 113 feet, erected in 1880 by Stephen Salisbury, jun., as "French flats." On the first floor are two fine stores; and above, the floors are adapted to family uses. On the site of Dean Building once stood a tavern, which, owing to its connection with the jail, was known as the "Jail Tavern."

**DEAF-MUTE CHRISTIAN UNION, THE MASSACHUSETTS** (undenominational), aims to provide regular religious services on Sunday, lectures, library and reading-room, and other means of social and intellectual improvement, with experienced preachers and teachers using the sign-language. Meetings in March, September, and December, at 411 Main St. Annual meeting in June. Chas. E. Knight, prest.

**DEBT.** — The funded city debt at the close of the last financial year was \$2,582,300; the sinking-fund, \$263,299.92; net debt, \$2,180,551.12. The total water debt is \$371,300. The city has no unfunded debt, and has \$136,448.96 cash on hand.

**DESIGNING.** — See Kyes & Woodbury.

**DISPENSARIES.** — See Washburn Free Dispensary.

#### DISTANCES FROM CITY HALL.

	MILES.
Bloomingtondale . . . . .	1½
Jamesville . . . . .	3½
New Worcester . . . . .	2
Northville . . . . .	2¼
Quinsigamond . . . . .	2



	MILES.
South Worcester . . . . .	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Summit . . . . .	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Tatnuck . . . . .	3
Valley Falls . . . . .	3 $\frac{1}{2}$

**DRY GOODS.** — See Barnard, Sumner, & Co.

**ENGRAVING.** — See Kyes & Woodbury.

### **EXPRESS OFFICES.**

Adams Express Company, 396 Main St.

Boston and Worcester Dispatch, 8 Foster St.

New Express, 18 Mechanic St.

Providence and Worcester Express, 8 Foster St.

United States and Canada, 30 Front St.

**FIRE-ALARM BELLS** are located: —

First Unitarian Church, Court Hill.

First Baptist Church, Salem Sq.

Bell Tower, c. Pleasant and Oxford Sts.

Steamer Two's house, Beacon St.

Hose Two's house, Grafton c. Providence St.

Also, Steam Gong at Grove-St. Wire Mill.

### **FIRE-ALARM INSTRUCTIONS.**

1. Alarms should be given from the box nearest the location of the fire.

2. Upon the discovery or *positive* information of a fire, unlock the box, pull down the slide or hook *once* only, and let go. This will give the desired alarm all over the city, repeating itself four times. After giving an alarm, always remain by the box until the arrival of the Department, so as to direct them to the location of the fire.

3. Each box contains a small bell, which, if heard before you pull the hook, indicates that the alarm

has been previously given from another box: in such cases *do not* pull the hook until you are sure the alarm has been completed.

4. NEVER SIGNAL FOR A FIRE SEEN AT A DISTANCE: never touch the hook except to give an alarm of fire. Give an alarm for no cause other than actual fire.

5. Never let the key go out of your possession unless called for by the Supt. of Fire-Alarm Telegraph. If you change your residence or place of business where the key is kept, return it to him at headquarters, 80 Front St.

### FIRE-ALARM SIGNAL-BOXES.

NO.

4. City Hall. Key: Police Office.
5. Trumbull Sq. Keys: drug-store, 50 Trumbull St.; Kendrick's stable, Franklin St.; 121 Park St.
6. Orange St., opposite Plymouth. Keys: c. Orange and Plymouth Sts.; 74 Orange St.; 41 Plymouth St.
7. Hose Seven's House, Lamartine St. Keys: Hose House, and 42 Lamartine St.
8. Chatham cor. Irving St. Keys: 37 Irving St., and 40 and 53 Chatham St.
12. Main cor. Chandler St. Keys: Continental Hotel; 633 Main St.; 34 Chandler St.
13. Webster Sq., Stockwell & Barrows's store. Keys: Stockwell & Barrows's store; A. G. Coes's counting-room; Loring Coes's counting-room, 10 Webster St.; 1059 Main St.
14. Steamer Three's House, School St. Keys: Steamer House, and 17 and 73 School St.

15. North cor. Grove St. Keys: 157 and 187 Grove St.; 1 North St.; 188 Prescott St.
16. Southbridge cor. Sargent St. Keys: Sargent's counting-room; Junction Shop engine-room; railroad depot.
17. Main cor. Foster St. Keys: 359 Main St.; Lincoln House; Waldo House.
18. Lincoln cor. Catharine St. Keys: 108, 109, and 118 Lincoln St.
21. Main cor. May St. Keys: 842 Main St.; 9 May St.; 7 Hammond St.
23. Union St., Rice, Barton, & Fales's foundery. Keys: Rice, Barton, & Fales's office; Chas. Baker & Co.'s office; headquarters, Bigelow Court.
24. Southbridge St., Chandler & Carr's store. Keys: Chandler & Carr's store; Adriatic Mill; drug-store, 468 Southbridge St.
25. Salisbury St., nr. Grove. Keys: Wetherby, Rugg, & Richardson's counting-room; and 21, 26, and 56 Salisbury St.
26. Portland cor. Madison St. Keys: 96 Portland St., and 104 Southbridge St.
27. Pleasant cor. West St. Keys: 4 West St., and 143 Pleasant St.
28. Millbury cor. Worth St. Keys: 62, 63, 64, and 109 Millbury St.
31. Main cor. Richards St. Keys: 7 Beaver St., and 978 Main St.
32. Exchange cor. Union St. Keys: D. W. Pond's shop; Merrifield's engine-room; 78 Exchange St.
34. Green St., Fox's mill. Keys: counting-room; Crompton's loom works; 6 Vernon St.; 27 Millbury St.

35. Winthrop cor. Vernon St. Keys: 49, 63, and 65 Vernon St.
36. Front cor. Spring St. Keys: 134 Front St.; 9 Trumbull St.; Waverly House.
37. Highland cor. North Ashland St. Keys: 55 Highland St., and 64 North Ashland St.
38. Salisbury St., nr. military academy. Keys: C. B. Metcalf's; Dr. Merrick Bemis's; John B. Pratt's; Chas. Baker's.
41. Thomas cor. Summer St. Keys: drug-store, 93 Summer St.; 1 Prospect St.; 92 and 117 Thomas St.
42. Southbridge cor. Cambridge St. Keys: Crompton Carpet Mill, and 502 and 513 Southbridge St.
43. Quinsigamond Wire Mill. Keys: wire mill; and Benjamin Booth's house.
45. Shrewsbury cor. Pine St. Keys: 102, 114, and 199 Shrewsbury St.
46. Hose Two's house, Grafton St. Keys: hose-house; T. K. Earle's counting-room; Washburn's foundery, Grafton St.; J. H. & G. M. Walker's office.
47. Belmont St. cor. Oak Av. Keys: 60 Belmont St.; 18 Oak Av.; 30 Liberty St.
48. Southgate cor. Camp St. Keys: 72, 87, and 89 Southgate St.
51. Lincoln Sq. Keys: 11 Main St.; 16 Lincoln Sq.; Exchange Hotel.
52. Prescott St., A. P. Richardson's shop. Keys: counting-room; Ames Plow Company's office; 16 Prescott St.
53. Providence cor. Harrison St. Keys: 56, 57, and 76 Providence St.; and Worcester Academy.

54. Austin cor. Newbury St. Keys: grocery store, cor. Austin and Newbury Sts.; 111 and 113 Austin St.
56. William cor. Chestnut St. Keys: 33 Chestnut St.; 1 Harvard St.; Extinguisher house, John St.
57. Hermon St., Taylor & Farley's factory. Keys: counting-room; J. S. Wheeler & Co.; drug-store, 725 Main St.
58. Woodland cor. King St. Keys: 1 Woodland St.; 35 King St.; boot shop, 60 King St.
61. Gardner St., Forehand & Wadsworth's shop. Keys: Forehand & Wadsworth's office; store, Canterbury St.; 4 Hollis St.; 29 Wymian St.; 71 Southgate St.
62. Laurel cor. Edward St. Keys: 41 Edward St.; c. Laurel and Edward Sts.; J. L. Baker's stable.
63. Washington Sq. Keys: Union Station; 295 Front St.; Arcade Foundry.
64. Grafton cor. Barclay St. Keys: 143 and 153 Grafton St.; Stow & Co.'s boot shop.
65. Elm St., opposite Linden. Keys: 22 and 46 Elm St.
67. Hose Six's house, Pleasant St. Keys: hose-house; 240 Pleasant St.; 4 Winslow St.
68. Bloomingdale road cor. Norfolk St. Keys: Graton & Knight's tannery, and Boston and Albany engine-house and freight-house.
71. Main cor. Central St. Keys: Harrington Brothers's stable, and W. S. Green's stable, Central St.; 249 and 265 Main St.; Bay State House.
73. Washburn & Moen Manufacturing Company's yard. Key: Company's office.

75. May cor. Woodland St. Keys: 30, 32, and 37  
May St., and 81 Woodland St.
76. William cor. West St. Keys: 30 West St., and  
48 William St.
81. City Farm. Key: Police Office.

**FIRE-DEPARTMENT.** — On Jan. 21, 1793, 22 gentlemen associated themselves as the Worcester Fire Society. The association still exists; and Stephen Salisbury, the senior member, has seen 59 years of service. Each member was formerly supplied with 2 leather buckets, 2 stout bags, a bed-key, and a screw-driver. With these articles they repaired to the scene of a fire. The present body is wholly of an *emeritus* character. The membership is limited to 30, and includes an ex-attorney-general of the United States, an ex-governor, senator, judge, 3 ex-mayors, etc. Quarterly meetings, of a social and literary character, are held. The fire-alarm telegraph was introduced into Worcester in 1871. One of the most valuable adjuncts of the fire-department is the Insurance Fire Patrol, rear 466 Main St., organized 1875. The patrol wagon carries two Babcock extinguishers and other implements. The members are ex-firemen. The manual force of the present fire-department of Worcester consists of a chief engineer, 4 assistants, and 125 other members of engine-companies, making a total of 130 men. There are also volunteer hose-companies at Coes Sq., and at Quinsigamond. There are 4 steam fire-engines, 12 hose-carriages, 8,000 feet of hose, 3 hook-and-ladder trucks, and 12 extinguishers. The companies use 17 horses. Total number of alarms in 1881 was 162. Loss on real and

personal property, \$62,451.59. There was \$675,995 insurance on this damaged property. There are 52 street signal-boxes. The headquarters of the fire-alarm telegraph are at 80 Front St. The expenditure for the department in 1881 was \$46,151.88.

### FIRE-INSURANCE COMPANIES.

*The First National Fire* was incorporated in 1868. It has a capital of \$200,000, with gross assets of \$284,000. Charles B. Pratt, President. Office, 410 Main St.

*The Merchants' and Farmers' Mutual* was incorporated in 1846. It is now paying dividends of 50 per cent on five-year policies. Insures property of a safe class. Isaac Davis, President. Office, 240 Main St.

*The "Old" Worcester Mutual* was incorporated in 1823. It pays sixty per cent dividends. Insures no merchandise or stock in trade. Office, 377 Main St. Ebenezer Torrey, Prest.

**FIRST NATIONAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.** is the only Worcester stock fire-insurance company. It is not an institution of merely local importance, for its business is extended by means of regularly appointed agents over the whole country. It is one of the conservative Massachusetts companies, preferring to do a small but safe business. It was incorporated in 1868, with a capital of \$200,000; and by reason of its successful course its accumulations now amount to \$284,000, of which \$45,000 is its re-insurance fund, and \$19,000 its gross amount of liabilities, while its net surplus as regards policy-holders is \$220,000; the gain for 1881

alone being \$11,000. Since its organization it has promptly and honorably paid nearly one million dollars for losses, and at the same time has paid to stockholders nearly \$90,000 for cash dividends, in addition to stock dividends of \$50,000. The president is Chas. B. Pratt; the secretary, R. James Tatman; and the assistant secretary, George A. Park. The directors are: Chas. B. Pratt, Hiram Fobes, Hartley Williams, H. B. Fay, R. C. Taylor, C. S. Turner, W. H. Dexter, Thomas Rice, J. D. Lovell, J. A. Norcross, R. F. Taylor, Geo. Draper, Wm. C. King. The company's office is in the First National Building, 420 Main St.

**FORESTERS.** — See Societies.

**FREE INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL SCIENCE, THE WORCESTER COUNTY.**

—Chartered May 10, 1865. Free to all residents of Worcester County; others pay \$150 a year. Founded by John Boynton of Templeton with an endowment of \$127,000. Other donors have been Hon. Ichabod Washburn, Hon. Stephen Salisbury, and Hon. George F. Hoar. Grounds cover nearly 7 acres in an attractive locality bet. Boynton and West Sts. The two main buildings are Boynton Hall and the Washburn Machine-shop. Boynton Hall is of granite, three stories in height, and was built by citizens of Worcester at a cost of about \$67,000. Washburn Machine-shop is a large brick building of three stories, fitted up for practical student work in making machinists' tools, etc. The object of the school is to furnish a practical education in combination with an academic training. The degree conferred is that of Bachelor of Science.



There are twelve instructors. The school has graduated 11 classes, aggregating 224 students, of whom more than 95 per cent have obtained lucrative positions. The school follows in general the plan of the European polytechnic schools. The shop-work done in the Washburn Machine-shop is not mere amateur work, but trade manufacture carried on "in order that the student may work in the atmosphere of real business." During the past year there were 121 students. In the catalogue are published very interesting statistics showing the positions occupied by the graduates. The reference library contains 2,000 volumes. Principal, Chas. O. Thompson.

#### **FREIGHT DEPOTS.**

Boston and Albany. Bloomingdale Road.

Boston, Barre, and Gardner. Garden St., nr. Prescott.

Norwich and Worcester. Park St., bet. Main and Portland.

Providence and Worcester. Green St. opposite Temple.

Worcester and Nashua. Nr. Lincoln Sq.

**FRENCH CANADIANS.** — There are about six thousand French Canadians in the city. They are almost all artisans, and are industrious people. They maintain a large church, the Notre Dame, on Park St.

**FURNITURE.** — See Chollar's Furniture Establishment.

**GAZETTE, WORCESTER EVENING.**  
— 390 and 392 Main. Was first published as a daily in 1843. It was established in 1801 as the *National*

*Ægis*. Its weekly edition is styled now the *Ægis and Gazette*. The publishers are Chas. H. Doe & Co., and Mr. Doe has edited the paper for 15 years. During this time its growth has been very rapid, and its rooms have been much enlarged and improved. One of Hoe's best presses is used to print the three daily editions. The counting-room is on the first floor, entrance 390 Main. The entrance to the editorial rooms is at 392 Main. The composing-room occupies the whole upper floor.

**GROVE-STREET CEMETERY.** — See Cemeteries.

**HACK FARES.** — Within the mile circle, legal fare 50 cents for single passenger; 25 cents for each additional passenger; from 10 P.M. to 6 A.M., fare 50 cents each passenger. Within the 1½ mile circle, fare 75 cents, 50 cents for each additional passenger belonging to the same party. Beyond the 1½ mile circle, special rates. Children over 3 and under 12, half price. One trunk and one valise free; for each additional trunk or valise, 5 cents.

### HALLS.

Antiquarian Hall.

City Hall, Main, c. Front.

Frohsinn Hall, 271 Main.

Grand Army Hall, 344 Main.

Horticultural Hall, 18 Front.

Insurance Hall, 240 Main.

Lincoln Hall, Maple St.

Masonic Hall, Pearl St., nr. Main.

Mechanics' Hall, 321 Main.

Music Hall, 20 Exchange.

Odd Fellows' Hall, 11 Pleasant.

St. George's Hall.

Tatnuck Hall, Willard St., nr. Pleasant.

Temperance Hall, 10 Foster.

Turn Halle, Jackson.

Washburn Hall, 321 Main.

**HERBERT HALL.** — On Salisbury St., nr. Park Av. It is a home for nervous invalids, and persons afflicted with the milder mental disorders. Merrick Bemis, M.D., Supt.

**HERDIC PHAETON COMPANY.** — Time Table. [Heavy figures denote Grove St.; Light figures denote Lincoln St.]

*Main-st. Coaches going N.* — Leave Downing St. **on the hour**, and 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, minutes past each hour, from 6.20 A.M. to 10.10 P.M. Leave Benefit St. 5, 15, 25, 35, 45, 55, minutes past each hour, from 6.25 A.M. to 10.15 P.M. Leave Chandler St. **on the hour**, and 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, minutes past each hour, from 6.30 A.M. to 10.20 P.M. Leave City Hall 5, 15, 25, 35, 45, 55, minutes past each hour, from 6.35 A.M. to 10.25 P.M.

*Main-st. Coaches going S.* — Leave wire-mill, Grove St., 6.50 A.M. every 20 minutes to 10.30 P.M. Leave Kendall St. 7 A.M. every 20 minutes to 10.40 P.M. Leave Mechanics Hall **on the hour**, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, minutes past each hour, from 7 A.M. to 10.50 P.M. Leave City Hall 3, 13, 23, 33, 43, 53, minutes past each hour, from 7.03 A.M. to 10.53 P.M. Leave Chandler St. 8, 18, 28, 38, 48, 58, minutes past each hour, from 7.08 A.M. to 10.58 P.M.

*Front-st. Coaches* make close connections with all other lines at City Hall, unless detained by trains.

*Green-st. Coaches* leave Harrington Corner 5 minutes past the hour and half hour, from 7.05 A.M. to 10.05 P.M.

*Austin-st. Coaches* leave Harrington Corner 5 minutes past the hour and half-hour, from 7.05 A.M. to 10.05 P.M.

*Pleasant-st. Coaches* leave c. of Main and Pleasant Sts. 5 minutes past the hour and half-hour, from 7.05 A.M. to 10.05 P.M.

*Elm-st. Coaches* leave c. of Pearl and Main Sts. 5 minutes past the hour and half-hour, from 8.05 A.M. to 10.05 P.M.

*Sunday Time.* — On Sunday only the Green-st. and Pleasant-st. lines run. The first coach starts at 10 A.M., and the last at 10 P.M.

**HERMITAGE, THE.** — A pretty little pond at the foot of the W. side of Millstone Hill.

**HEYWOOD & CO., S. R.,** boot manufactory, is one of the most important industries of Worcester County, and the members of the firm are among the most energetic and most devoted citizens of Worcester City; Mr. Heywood, the senior member, having for the past quarter of a century been identified in many ways with the city government, and various local, literary, political, philanthropic, and religious organizations. The factory buildings are unusually neat and attractive. They were built in 1879 entirely of brick, with granite trimmings. The frontage of the main building is 140 feet; and of the two wings, 91 feet. They are five stories high, and contain 47,000 sq. ft. of floor surface. They have a capacity of 25,000 cases of boots a year, and give employment to 200 hands. Steam-power and steam-heat are

supplied to all parts of the factory. 190 windows and 30 skylights furnish ample light and ventilation. It is situated on Winter St., and the entrance to the office is at No. 70 Winter St.

The factory is devoted wholly to manufacturing a high grade of boots. The lower floor contains the sole-leather cutting room; the second floor, the counting-room, private offices, and the crimping and shipping departments; the third floor, the cutting, fitting, and stitching rooms; the fourth floor, the finishing, treeing, and packing rooms; and the fifth floor is used wholly by the bottomers. The east wing of the building was built fireproof, for the storage of finished goods and materials. The productions of the factory are men's, youth's, boys', and children's boots, which are made from kip, calf, split, and grain leather. All are uniform in quality and finish, made of the best materials, and strongly put together, chiefly by hand. The firm's customers are scattered throughout the United States and Territories; regular agencies being established in Philadelphia and Chicago. The best-known brand of their boots is Wachusett, a name also given to the building, and taken from the Indian name of the highest mountain in Worcester County, at Princeton, Mass., where Mr. Heywood was born. In 1873 Mr. Heywood, who had been in the boot manufacturing business since 1864, associated with him Oscar Phillips; and from that date the firm name has been S. R. Heywood & Co.

**HIGHLAND MILITARY ACADEMY.** — Salisbury St., nr. Park St. Founded in 1856, by its present supt., C. B. Metcalf, for many years a

teacher in Boston and Worcester public schools. The English and the classical courses are each of four years. The military drill is intended to improve the health and the personal carriage, as well as to promote discipline, among the young cadets. J. S. Burns, commandant; S. B. Clark, qr.-master.

**HILLS.** — *Green Hill.* — At terminus of Green Lane. Height, 777 feet.

*Messinger Hill, or Fairmount.* — N. of North St. Height, 639 feet.

*Millstone Hill.* — N. of Belmont. Height, 780 feet.

*Mount Ararat.* — S. of Ararat.

*Mount St. James.* — Same as Pakachoag Hill.

*Newton Hill.* — W. of Elm Park. Ht., 672 ft.

*Oak Hill.* — Bet. Bloomingdale and Plantation.

*Pakachoag Hill, or Mount St. James.* — Nr. College of Holy Cross. Height, 693 feet.

*Parker Hill.* — Fowler St. [721 feet.

*Reservoir Hill.* — S. of Belmont St. Height,

*Union Hill.* — Nr. Providence St. Height, 625.

*Winter Hill.* — Forest St.

### HISTORICAL MANSIONS.

*Old Salisbury Mansion.* — Lincoln Sq.; built in 1770, by Stephen Salisbury.

*Burnside Estate.* — Main, nr. Foster St.

*Lincoln House.* — Elm, nr. Main St.; the site of the estate of Hon. Levi Lincoln.

*Birthplace of George Bancroft,* the historian. Salisbury St.

*Dr. Wm. Paine House.* — Formerly on Lincoln St., and now used as a tenement-house; c. of Grove and Lexington Sts.

*Old Antiquarian Hall.* — C. Summer and Belmont Sts. Formerly used by the American Antiquarian Society.

**HOME FOR AGED FEMALES.** — See Charities.

**HOMES OF PROMINENT PEOPLE.**

Senator George Frisbie Hoar. 34 Oak Av.

Congressman Wm. W. Rice. 9 Bowdoin.

Hon. Stephen Salisbury. 10 Highland.

Jonas G. Clark. 39 Elm.

Judge Francis H. Dewey. 23 Chestnut.

Judge P. Emory Aldrich. 64 Elm.

Addison Macullar. 805 Main.

L. J. Knowles. 842 Main.

George S. Barton. 857 Main.

Joseph H. Walker. Main, cor. Ripley.

Samuel R. Heywood. 41 Oak Av.

Loring Coes. 1049 Main.

Philip L. Moen. 104 Lincoln.

Charles F. Washburn. 36 Elm.

Isaac Davis. 59 Elm.

Thomas H. Dodge. 776 Main.

George F. Verry. 18 Cedar.

George Crompton. 121 Providence.

Lewis Barnard. 95 Lincoln.

Charles B. Pratt. 410 Main.

Peter C. Bacon. 42 Elm.

George M. Rice. 54 Elm.

E. W. Vaill, 94 Woodland.

G. Henry Whitcomb, Harvard St.

**HOPE CEMETERY.** — See Cemeteries.

**HORSE-RAILROAD, THE WORCES-**  
**TER,** is the only one in the city. Its cars run from Lincoln Sq., Harrington Corner, Mechanics Hall, Union Station, Adams Sq., Webster Sq., Market St., and Harrington Av., as per following time-tables for 1882: —

**UNION STATION CARS. [GREEN LIGHT.]**  
**GOING EAST,—TO THE STATION.**

Lv Lincoln Square.	Lv. Mechanics Hall.	Lv. Harrington Cor.	Ar. Union Station.
6.15 A.M.	6.19 A.M.	6.21 A.M.	6.26 A.M.
6.40	6.46	6.48	6.53
7.10	7.16	7.18	7.23
7.28	7.34	7.36	7.41
8.30	8.36	8.38	8.43
8.40	8.46	8.48	8.53
—	9.10	9.12	9.17
9.10	9.16	9.18	9.23
9.33	9.39	9.41	9.46
10.52	10.58	11.00	11.05
11.17	11.23	11.25	11.30
11.52	11.58	12.00	12.05 P.M.
12.43 P.M.	12.49 P.M.	12.51 P.M.	12.56
1.08	1.14	1.16	1.21
1.25	1.31	1.33	1.38
1.52	1.58	2.00	2.05
2.10	2.16	2.18	2.23
3.10	3.16	3.18	3.23
3.36	3.42	3.44	3.49
3.58	4.04	4.06	4.11
4.30	4.36	4.38	4.43
5.13	5.19	5.21	5.26
5.43	5.49	5.51	5.56
6.13	6.19	6.21	6.26
6.52	6.58	7.00	7.05
7.04	7.10	7.12	7.17
8.06	8.12	8.14	8.19
8.43	8.49	8.51	8.56
9.25	9.31	9.33	9.39



UNION STATION CARS. [GREEN LIGHT.]  
GOING WEST,—FROM THE STATION.

Lv. Union Station.	Lv. Harrington Cor.	Lv. Mechanics Hall.	Ar. Lincoln Square.
6.45 A.M.	6.50 A.M.	6.52 A.M.	6.57 A.M.
6.55	7.00	7.02	7.07
7.28	7.33	7.35	7.40
7.45	7.50	7.52	7.57
8.50	8.55	8.57	9.02
9.00	9.05	9.07	9.12
9.23	9.28	9.30	9.35
9.28	9.33	9.35	9.40
9.50	9.55	9.57	10.02
11.10	11.15	11.17	11.22
11.30	11.35	11.37	11.42
12.13 P.M.	12.18 P.M.	12.20 P.M.	12.25 P.M.
1.05	1.10	1.12	1.17
1.28	1.33	1.35	1.40
1.45	1.50	1.52	1.57
2.12	2.17	2.19	2.24
2.35	2.40	2.42	2.47
3.30	3.35	3.37	3.42
3.52	3.57	3.59	4.04
4.18	4.23	4.25	4.30
4.55	5.00	5.02	5.07
5.35	5.40	5.42	5.47
6.08	6.13	6.15	6.20
6.38	6.43	6.45	6.50
7.13	7.18	7.20	7.25
7.25	7.30	7.32	7.37
8.23	8.28	8.30	8.35
9.05	9.10	9.12	9.17
9.41	9.46	9.48	9.53

## ADAMS SQUARE CARS.

Cars that are due at Mechanics Hall going north, at time given here, run to Adams Square.

## WEEK-DAY TIME.

Leave  
Mechanics Hall.

Leave  
Adams Square.

7.34 A.M.  
8.04  
9.34  
11.04  
12.04 P.M.  
12.34  
1.04  
1.34  
3.04  
4.04  
5.04  
6.04  
6.34  
7.04  
9.34

Depot Car, 6.30 A.M.  
7.51  
8.21  
9.51  
11.21  
12.21 P.M.  
12.51  
1.21  
1.51  
3.21  
4.21  
5.21  
6.21  
6.51  
7.21  
9.51

## SUNDAY TIME.

12.19 P.M.  
1.19  
2.19  
3.19  
4.19  
5.19  
6.19  
7.04  
9.04

For Church, 10.10 A.M.  
12.36 P.M.  
1.36  
2.36  
3.36  
4.36  
5.36  
6.36  
7.21  
9.21

Car leaves Market St. at 6 A.M. and quarter-hourly until 12.00 M. Then every 7½ minutes until 7.22 P.M., then quarter-hourly to 9 P.M., then half-hourly to 10 P.M.

Car leaves Harrington Av. at 7.22 A.M. and quarter-hourly until 8.37 P.M., then half-hourly until 9.52 P.M.

Car leaves Webster Sq. at 6.23 and 6.35 A.M., and quarter-hourly until 9.20 P.M., then half-hourly until 10.35 P.M.

An Extra Car will leave Market St. at 10.38 P.M. for Webster Sq.

SUNDAYS.

Cars leave Market St. at 8.30, 9.00, 9.30, A.M.

Car leaves Harrington Av. at 9.52 A.M., then half-hourly until 10.52 A.M., then quarter-hourly until 8.37 P.M., then half-hourly until 9.22 P.M.

Last car from Harrington Av. at 9.22 P.M.  
Last car from Webster Sq. 10.05 P.M.

The above cars are designated by a RED light.

SPECIAL NOTICE. — Cars for the Union Station pass Mechanics Hall about 15 minutes before the starting time for trains.

This Co. was originally incorporated in 1861. The road was built in 1863 from the cor. of Lincoln and Harrington Sts. to Webster Sq., with branch lines through Front St. to Union Depot, and through Pleasant to West. This latter "spar" was discontinued after a few years. The company passed into the hands of the bondholders, and was incorporated under its present title in 1869. The company owns 15 cars, and has put 3 new ones on the track during the past year. 85 horses are employed. There are

24 drivers and conductors, and 5 miles of track, including the recent extension from Harrington Av. to Adams Sq. This extension of the road was opened in the spring of 1882. The Pres't of the road is Augustus Seeley, the Treas. and Sup't H. S. Searles.

**HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.** — See Worcester County Horticultural Society.

**HOSPITALS.** — See Charities and Hospitals.

**HOTELS.** — The chief are: —

Bay State House, Main and Exchange Sts.; W. L. Shepard, proprietor (see notice of Bay State House).

Continental Hotel, Main and Chandler Sts.; E. A. Ward, proprietor.

Lincoln House, Elm and Main Sts.; George Tower, proprietor.

United States Hotel, 242 Mechanic St.; F. G. Heath & Co., proprietors.

Waldo House, 25 Waldo St.; R. N. Start, proprietor.

**HOUSE OF CORRECTION.** — See Jails.

**HUNT RESERVOIR.** — See Water-Department.

**INSURANCE FIRE PATROL.** — See Fire-Department.

**JAIL, COUNTY, AND HOUSE OF CORRECTION.** — On Summer St., bet. Prospect and E. Central. Built in 1819; remodelled in 1832, and again in 1873, at a cost of about \$200,000. The first jail in Worcester stood on Lincoln Sq.; and the first jailer was Luke Brown, who also kept the "Hancock Arms," a tavern in a contiguous building.

**JONAS G. CLARK BLOCK.** — From 477 to 511 Main St. One of the largest and handsomest business buildings in the city. Erected in 1882. Material, brick and iron with trimmings of New Hampshire granite.

**KYES & WOODBURY** are the leading wood-engravers in this State, outside of the city of Boston. The members of the firm, John F. Kyes and John C. Woodbury, are thoroughly artistic designers and practical engravers, and keep at work under their own personal supervision a number of skilled artists and engravers. Both members have lived for many years in Worcester, and by reason of their energy and ability have built up a business not usually developed outside of large cities. Their patrons are scattered throughout New England and Western States; their chief work being for great manufacturing establishments, and their specialty the making of the highest grade of mechanical wood engraving, views of factories, illustrations of machinery, furniture, and other merchandise, for catalogues and advertisements. Every effort is put forth to produce such wood-engravings as will best bring out the special merits of the particular objects to be illustrated, at the same time having due regard for the artistic appearance of the work. They keep a corps of sketchers and designers to send to any part of New England when necessary. Their offices and workrooms occupy the upper floor of the brick building, 352 Main St., cor. of Maple.

**LAKE VIEW.** — See Quinsigamond Lake.

**LAMPS.** — There are 705 gas-lamps, costing \$13 a year each. Also 916 oil-lamps, costing \$21.90

a year each (6 cents per night). Total cost of lighting streets in 1881 was \$31,292.19.

**LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, THE WORCESTER COUNTY**, org'd 1842; composed of members of the bar of the county. Library at South Court House; contains upwards of 6,000 volumes. Open daily from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M., and from 2 to 5 P.M.

### LIBRARIES.

*American Antiquarian Society* has a valuable library in its building, cor. Main and Highland Sts. Open from 9-12 A.M. and 2-5 P.M., except Sat. P.M.

*Circulating Libraries* include those of George C. Holden, 394 Main St.; M. W. Pinkerton, 7 Main St.; C. H. Fisher, 211 Main St.; A. F. Bragg, 568 Main St.; and J. H. Martin, 632 Main St.

*Colleges*, including College of the Holy Cross, Highland Military Academy, Normal School, Worcester Academy, and Worcester County Free Institute of Industrial Science (see these names on other pages), depend largely for their books on the public library, and keep only reference or working libraries of their own.

*Free Public Library* at 16 and 18 Elm St. A "Social Library" was formed in Worcester in 1793, but little else is known about it. It was the first public library. In 1859 Dr. John Green gave to the city 7,000 vols. to be used as a *Free Public Library* forever. At the same time the Lyceum and Library Association gave their library of 4,500 vols. The Public Library has had a great many other gifts and sources of income. The Library has five departments, namely: (1) the Circulating Depart-

ment, (2) the Green Reference Library, (3) Intermediate Department, (4) the Worcester District Medical Society's Library, and (5) the Free Newspaper Reading Room. The Circulating Department is open from 9 A.M. to 8 P.M., Saturday to 9 P.M. It contains about 20,000 vols. which can be drawn by residents over 15 years of age. The 11,000 vols. of the Intermediate Department can be drawn under certain restrictions. The Green Library contains about 21,000 vols. Open from 9 A.M. to 9 P.M. The Medical Library is free for consultation. The very amply supplied newspaper-room in the basement is free, and open from 8 A.M. to 9½ P.M. On Sunday Green Library and newspaper-room open from 2 to 9 P.M. (This was the first library in New England to open its library and reading-room on Sunday.) A distinguishing feature of the Library is its close affiliation with the public schools. The pupils are encouraged in every possible way to read and consult the works in the libraries. In several respects this is one of the best and most useful libraries in the world. Nowhere is greater effort put forth to help those having to do work which can be facilitated by the use of books,— every facility being offered them to make the freest use of the abundant stores of books the library possesses. The system was inaugurated and is kept in existence by the present genial, energetic, and competent librarian, Samuel S. Green. The total circulation for the year ending Nov. 30, 1881, was 158,005 vols.; total Sunday use in 1881, 14,917; daily average, 519; total number of names registered since July 1, 1873, is 20,137; total number of vols. in library up to March 10, 1882, was 52,796, exclusive of the

medical library. Expended for the library in 1881, \$15,850.03; in 1860, \$2,439.40.

*Horticultural Society* has a good library in its pleasant rooms at Horticultural Hall, 18 Front St. Open daily to members on application in the building.

*Mechanics Association.*—321 Main. Library open to members, Monday and Wednesday evenings, and Saturday afternoon and evening.

*Miscellaneous Libraries* include those of the Lyceum and Natural History Association, 11 Foster St., open from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.; the Young Men's Christian Association, 411 Main, open 8 A.M. to 10 P.M.; St. John's Institute (Catholic), 43 Temple; Sisters of Notre Dame, 36 Vernon St.; High School, c. Maple and Walnut; Bangs's Unitarian Library, in the Unitarian church, Main St., opposite Market; and the library of All Saints' Church, Irving, c. Pleasant.

*Sunday School Libraries* number 43.

*Worcester County Law Library.*—In the stone court-house, nr. Lincoln Sq. Accessible from 9 to 7, and 2 to 5. The rooms are extremely pleasant, and free to all.

*Worcester Society of Antiquity.*—11 Foster St. Has a valuable historical library, open to members.

The approximate number of volumes and pamphlets is as follows:—

	VOLUMES AND PAMPHLETS.
All Saints' Church . . . . .	1,500
American Antiquarian Society . . . . .	70,000
Bangs's Unitarian . . . . .	1,500
County Law Library . . . . .	6,000



VOLUMES AND PAMPHLETS.

Fisher's Circulating . . . . .	3,800
Free Institute . . . . .	2,000
Free Public Library . . . . .	52,800
Highland Academy . . . . .	1,000
High School . . . . .	1,500
Holden's Circulating . . . . .	2,300
Holy Cross College . . . . .	8,000
Horticultural Society . . . . .	2,000
Lyceum and Natural History . . . . .	500
Martin's Circulating . . . . .	1,000
Mechanics' . . . . .	6,000
Normal School . . . . .	4,493
Pinkerton's Circulating . . . . .	472
St. John's Institute . . . . .	1,500
Sisters of Notre Dame . . . . .	1,500
Sunday Schools . . . . .	21,500
Worcester Academy . . . . .	1,500
Worcester Medical Library . . . . .	5,000
Worcester Society of Antiquity . . . . .	8,000
Young Men's Christian Association . . . . .	350

**LIFE-ASSURANCE COMPANY, STATE MUTUAL.** — Chartered 1844. Ratio of assets to liabilities, 127.17 to 100. The interest on invested funds has paid all losses, from the organization of the company to this date, and left a surplus for other expenses. Prest., Philip L. Moen of the Washburn & Moen Manufacturing Company. Clarendon Harris, the original applicant for the company's charter, has been the sec'y ever since the company was organized. Office, 240 Main St. See also State Mutual Life Assurance Company.

**LINCOLN BLOCK**, extending on Main St. from Elm to Maple Sts., was formerly part of what is now the Lincoln House. On its site, about 1735, stood a small wooden building, kept as a tavern — The King's Arms — by Capt. Thomas Stearns, who was the first local sexton and grave-digger. He died in 1773; and then for ten years the tavern was kept by his widow. In 1784 the estate with its 80 acres of land was bought by Wm. Sever, the father-in-law of the Hon. Levi Lincoln, who built his mansion here, and from whom comes the name by which the block, and the hotel adjoining, are known. In 1835 the mansion was converted into a hotel, "The Worcester House." In 1854 the present block was erected. It is 127 feet long, and four stories high. At first it was used as a hotel; but later the upper floors were used for offices and business purposes, and the ground-floor for stores of prominent firms, including the clothing firm of Macullar & Son, noticed elsewhere.

**LUNATIC HOSPITAL.** — See Charities.

**LYCEUM.** — See Worcester Lyceum.

**MACULLAR & SON** are leading clothiers of Worcester County; and their store at Nos. 372 and 374 Main St., in the Lincoln Block, near the corner of Elm St., is one of the largest, best lighted, and most attractive in the city of Worcester. The firm is one of the most highly respected in New England, the senior member, Addison Macullar, being also the senior member of the widely-known firm of Macullar, Parker, & Co., who stand at the head of the retail manufacturers of clothing in

the United States, their establishments in Boston and Providence ranking pre-eminently the best in their line in both those cities. The Worcester firm, although independent of the Boston firm, sells only the goods made in the Boston establishment, where upwards of 600 skilled workmen are kept constantly making men's clothing solely for the best retail trade. Moreover, these 600 hands make clothing only for the retail stores with which Mr. Macullar is connected in Boston, Providence, and Worcester; and it is a well-known fact throughout the United States that no firm in this country or Europe make's better garments for men's wear. The garments are equal in quality, style, and workmanship to the best custom-made goods of leading merchant tailors. None but all-wool cloth is used; and every piece is thoroughly shrunk and carefully examined before it is cut up; and only the best and most thoroughly tested materials and trimmings are employed. Mr. Macullar has been in this same line of business for upwards of forty years; beginning in Worcester as a poor boy, and securing, by his own exertions, a position among the most highly esteemed and wealthiest citizens. In 1879 he associated with him in the Worcester firm his son Frank R. Macullar, under the firm-name of Macullar & Son.

**MAILS.** — See Post Office.

### **MANUFACTORIES, SOME OF THE CHIEF.**

Ames Plow Company, Prescott St., bet. Prescott Place and Garden.

Arcade Malleable Iron Works, 49 Washington Sq.  
Carpenter's Organ and Organ-action Manufactory, 9 May St.

Coes & Co., A. G., wrenches, Mill and Leicester Sts.; at New Worcester.

Coes & Co., Loring, wrenches, 1 Coes Sq.

Crompton's Loom Works, loom manufactory, 112 Green St.

Crompton Carpet Works, Southbridge St., nr. College St.

Earle, T. K., card-clothing, 66 Grafton St.

Forehand & Wadsworth, fire-arms, cor. Taintor and Gardner Sts.

Gilbert Loom Company, loom manufactory, Foster, near Union St.

Heywood & Co., S. R., boot manufactory, Winter St.

Knowles & Bro., L. J., looms, Junction Buildings.

Merrifield's Buildings, Exchange and Union Sts.

Pond's, D. W., machinists' tools manufactory, cor. Exchange and Union Sts.

Rice, Barton, & Fales machine and iron company, 209 Union St.

Vaill, E. W., chair-works, 15 Union St.

Washburn Iron Company, cor. Bloomingdale and Grafton Sts.

Washburn & Moen's wire-works, cor. Prospect and Grove Sts. Branch at village of Quinsigamond.

Wheeler's Iron Foundry, Union cor. Thomas St.

Whitcomb's Envelope Factory, nr. Lincoln Sq.

Worcester Wire Company, nr. Mitchell St. and P. and W. Railroad.

Worcester Felting Company, cor. Union and Manchester Sts.

**MASONS.** — See Societies.

## MAYORS FROM 1843 TO 1882.

Levi Lincoln . . . . .	1848-1849
Henry Chapin . . . . .	1849-1851
Peter C. Bacon . . . . .	1851-1853
John S. C. Knowlton . . . . .	1853-1855
George W. Richardson . . . . .	1855-1856
Isaac Davis . . . . .	1856-1857
George W. Richardson . . . . .	1857-1858
Isaac Davis . . . . .	1858-1859
Alexander H. Bullock . . . . .	1859-1860
Wm. W. Rice . . . . .	1860-1861
Isaac Davis . . . . .	1861-1862
P. Emory Aldrich . . . . .	1862-1863
Daniel Waldo Lincoln . . . . .	1863-1865
Phineas Ball . . . . .	1865-1866
James B. Blake . . . . .	1866-1870
Edward Earle . . . . .	1871-1872
George F. Verry . . . . .	1872-1873
Clark Jillson . . . . .	1873-1874
Edward L. Davis . . . . .	1874-1875
Clark Jillson . . . . .	1875-1877
Chas. B. Pratt . . . . .	1877-1880
Frank H. Kelley . . . . .	1880-1881
Elijah B. Stoddard . . . . .	1881-1883

Mayors are inaugurated for one year on the first Monday in every January.

**MECHANICS ASSOCIATION.** — Founded Nov. 27, 1841. Courses of lectures have been given nearly every year, up to the present. Fairs have been held from time to time. The Association building, 321 Main St., was dedicated March 19, 1857. It is 100 x 145 feet. On the first floor are stores; on the second, the Washburn Hall and a

reading-room, library, and offices; and, on the third, Mechanics Hall, with a seating capacity of 2,000. Library open Monday and Wednesday evenings, and Saturday afternoon and evening. 2 annual courses of lectures. Membership, about 1,200. Annual meeting, second Tuesday in April. The organ in Mechanics Hall is the largest in the city.

**MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.** — See Charities.

**MONUMENTS AND STATUES.** — The Bigelow Monument and the Soldiers' Monument stand on the Common, and a marble statue of St. Paul is over the entrance to St. Paul's Church. In the Free Public Library is a life-size statue, in a sitting posture, of Dr. John Green.

**MUSIC.** — The leading musical organization is the Worcester-County Musical Asso'n, noticed in its alphabetical place. The Worcester Choral Union is an older society, which formerly studied and performed oratorio music; but of late years it has given no concerts here. The Frohsinn, a German musical soc. org'd in 1858, has rooms in Waldo Block. It is devoted to music and good cheer. Its prest. is Benj. Zaeder; its Sec'y, Wm. Lichtenfels. Its annual masquerades, in Mechanics Hall, are notable events. The Worcester Orchestral Union, org'd in 1875, is devoted to instrumental work. Its prest. is F. L. Faulkner; musical director, Albert W. Ingraham. It has given several classical concerts, and is developing a creditable style of work. The Apollo Club, org'd in 1880, is musical and social; meets semi-monthly, Monday evenings. Prest., Wm. F. Ewell; sec'y, A. T. Matthews.

**NATIONAL BANKS.** — See Banks.

**NATURAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION.**

— See Worcester Lyceum.

**NEWSPAPERS.**

*Aegis and Gazette.* — 390 Main St.; weekly; Chas. H. Doe & Co., publishers.

*Le Courrier de Worcester.* — 460 Main; weekly; Belanger Brothers, editors and publishers.

*Le Travailleur.* — 311 Main St.; semi-weekly (Tuesday and Friday); Ferd. Gagnon, editor and publisher.

*Massachusetts Spy.* — 444 Main St.; weekly; John D. Baldwin & Sons, editors and publishers.

*Worcester Daily Spy.* — 444 Main St. John D. Baldwin & Sons, editors and publishers.

*Worcester Daily Times.* — 32 Front St.; every afternoon (two editions). J. H. Melien, editor and publisher.

*Worcester Evening Gazette.* — 390 and 392 Main St. Three editions daily. Chas. H. Doe & Co., publishers.

**NEW WORCESTER.** — 2 miles S.W. from City Hall. A pleasant suburban village, offering a pleasant route for a drive. The terminus of the Main-st. street-car line is here.

**NORMAL SCHOOL, THE STATE.** — 86 Prospect St. E. H. Russell, Principal. Established in 1871. Located on one of Worcester's picturesque hills, and visible to all who approach the city by the Albany Railroad. Regular course, 2 years. Free to those intending to become teachers. One prominent feature of the school is its system of apprenticeship, by which those who have studied one year in the school are allowed to acquire practi-

cal experience as teachers, by assisting one year in some Worcester school; after which they may return and take the final year of the course.

**ODD FELLOWS.** — See Societies.

**OLD MEN'S HOME.** — See Charities.

**OLD SOUTH CHURCH.** — On the Common. The first "meeting-house" in Worcester was built of logs near the present junc. of Franklin and Green Sts. In 1719 a church was built on the site now occupied by the Old South. Present building erected in 1763. First pastor, Rev. Andrew Gardner. The second pastor was Rev. Isaac Burr, an uncle of Aaron Burr. It is said that from this church was first read on Massachusetts soil the Declaration of Independence; Isaiah Thomas having obtained a copy of it while the messenger was carrying it from Philadelphia to Boston, and reading it in Worcester on July 14, 1776.

**OLD WORCESTER MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.** — See Fire Insurance Cos.

**OMNIBUSES.** — See Stages.

**OREAD INSTITUTE, THE.** — Foot of Oread Place, 814 Main St. Founded in 1848 by Hon. Eli Thayer for the exclusive education of young ladies. The building with its castellated towers and walls resembles Warwick Castle in England in external appearance. It is 250 feet in length. The school was closed some time ago.

**ORGANS.** — See Carpenter Organ Manufactory.

**ORPHANS' HOME.** — See Children's Friend Society; under Charities.



**OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.** — See Charities.

**PARKS, COMMONS, AND SQUARES.**

*Agricultural Grounds.* — Bounded by Agricultural, Sever, and Highland Sts. Area, 966,134 sq. ft.

*Central Park.* — Also called the Old Common. Bounded by Front and Park, Salem and Main Sts. Area, 304,788 sq. ft. See also Common.

*Common.* — Same as Central Park.

*Elm Park.* — The largest in the city, bounded by Elm, Agricultural, and Highland Sts; traversed by Park Av.; contains a lake. Area, 810,900 sq. ft.

*Elm Square.* — Cor. Hamilton and Orient Sts.

*Franklin Square.* — Junc. Main and South-bridge Sts.

*Lincoln Square.* — Junc. Lincoln, Main, Union, Grove, and three other streets.

*Newton Square.* — Park and Pleasant Sts.

*Grant Square.* — On Paine's Hill, N.E. part of city.

*Adams Square.* — Lincoln St., N. terminus of street-railroad.

*Trumbull Square.* — Junc. Green, Franklin, Park, and Trumbull Sts.

*Washington Square.* — Junc. Front and Shrewsbury Sts.

*Webster Square.* — Junc. Leicester and Main Sts.

**PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK** is one of the large and noteworthy institutions of Worcester. It was incorporated May 13, 1864; and, from the beginning, its officers and directors have included

many of the best men in the city. In 1882 its officers are: President, L. J. Knowles; Vice-Presidents, John C. Mason, Calvin Foster, A. N. Currier, W. W. Rice, Sumner Pratt, S. R. Heywood. Managers, George A. Brown, Henry A. Marsh, Warren Williams, Philip L. Moen, Thomas M. Rogers, Harlan P. Duncan, Jas. P. Hamilton, Chas. B. Whiting, John S. Baldwin, Edward W. Vaill, Horace Wyman, Samuel D. Nye; treasurer, C. M. Bent; corporation clerk, Henry C. Rice; teller and bookkeeper, Frederic Kimball; asst. bookkeeper, Wm. Burleigh; bank-clerk, Fred. W. White. It is purely a savings bank, and is conducted wholly in the interest of the people, who, with small means, wish to get interest on their savings. Its recent statement is as follows: —

## ASSETS.

Public funds, market value . . . . .	\$404,921 87
Railroad bonds, market value . . . . .	160,580 00
Bank stock, market value . . . . .	804,666 95
Loans on real estate . . . . .	1,308,748 16
Loans on personal security . . . . .	775,745 00
Loans on public funds . . . . .	2,000 00
Loans on bank stock . . . . .	400 00
Loans to cities and towns . . . . .	55,700 00
Real estate, banking-house . . . . .	65,000 00
Real estate, by foreclosure . . . . .	56,163 95
Interest . . . . .	48,939 98
Cash, bearing interest . . . . .	89,973 13
Cash in hand . . . . .	11,665 41
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	\$3,784,504 45

## LIABILITIES.

Deposits . . . . .	\$3,587,587	18
Dividend No. 35 . . . . .	66,366	40
Guarantee fund . . . . .	57,601	97
Profit and loss . . . . .	20,550	77
Suspense account . . . . .	96	07

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\$3,732,202 39

## SURPLUS.

Excess of assets . . . . .	\$52,302	06
Guarantee fund . . . . .	57,601	97
Undivided profits . . . . .	20,550	77

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Total surplus . . . . . \$130,454 80

The bank owns its office-building at 452 Main St., opp. City Hall; and besides obtaining admirable quarters for the transaction of its business, gets a good income from rents. The methods in vogue are practically the same as those of the great savings banks in America; deposits from \$1 to \$1,000 are put on interest on the 1st day of Feb., March, Aug., and Nov., and allowed to accumulate only to the sum of \$1,600. Dividends are paid Feb. 15 and Aug. 15, and, if not withdrawn, are credited as deposits. The bank has never required any notice from depositors wishing to draw their money, although it has the privilege of so doing. The banking hours are from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M., and from 2 to 4 P.M.; on Saturdays from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M., and from 6 to 8 P.M.

**PLEASURE DRIVES.**—Among the many charming drives about Worcester, the following are unusually pleasant:—

Asnybumskit Hill.  
 Bannister Mill.  
 Bellevue.  
 Boulder.  
 Davis's Cottage.  
 Flagg's Retreat.  
 Greenwood Road, Millbury.  
 Happy Valley, West Boylston.  
 Holden Poor Farm.  
 Ledge.  
 Lily Pond.  
 Mulberry Grove.  
 Purgatory, Sutton.  
 Reservoir, Leicester.  
 Silver Spring.  
 Silver Cascade.  
 Stone House Hill.  
 Wachusett Mountain, Princeton.

N. B. For a full description of these and other drives, see the City Directory, first page.

**PLYMOUTH CHURCH** (Congregational Trinitarian), org'd in 1869, is one of the most flourishing religious organizations in the city. It owns a beautiful stone edifice, cor. of Pearl and Chestnut Sts., erected in 1873, at a cost, including land, of \$165,000. It has a fine chime and an excellent organ. Its auditorium will accommodate 1,350 persons, and the chapel 800. Its graceful spire is 190 feet high. The pastor is the Rev. George W. Phillips, formerly of Columbus, O. The dedicatory sermon was preached April 29, 1875, by the Rev. Dr. Alexander McKenzie of Cambridge. The Society maintains a good choir, under a competent director. See also Chimes.

**POLICE-FORCE** consists of the city marshal, two assistant marshals, one captain of night police, fifty-nine patrolmen, two detectives. There are also several constables, and special officers appointed annually by the mayor. There are one police-justice, and two special justices: criminal cases tried daily at City Hall at 9 A.M. The cost of the police department for 1881 was \$61,269.89.

**PONDS.** — The chief ponds in Worcester are: —  
 Bell Pond. Belmont St.

Coe's Reservoir. Western part of city.

Curtis Pond. New Worcester.

Green Pond. On Green Hill.

Hermitage Pond. West side of Millstone Hill.

North Pond. Near Northville, 228 acres.

Patch's Pond. Western part of city.

Quinsigamond Lake. 4 miles by  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile.

Salisbury Pond. Bet. Salisbury and Grove Sts.; area (including islands), 1,194,080 sq.ft.

Smith, E. C. & Co.'s Reservoir. Western part of city.

**POOR FARM.** — See Charities.

**POPULATION.** — In 1850 the population was 17,049, in 1880 58,295. In 1882 it is upwards of 60,000. The United States census for 1880 gives the population by wards as follows: —

Ward 1	. . . . .	6,371
" 2	. . . . .	8,592
" 3	. . . . .	8,393
" 4	. . . . .	6,838
" 5	. . . . .	10,426
" 6	. . . . .	6,055

Ward 7 . . . . .	5,993
“ 8 . . . . .	5,627
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Total . . . . .	58,295

**POST-OFFICE.** — First established in Worcester Nov. 15, 1775; the famous printer and patriot Isaiah Thomas being appointed first postmaster by Benjamin Franklin, and retaining his office until 1801. The present postmaster is Josiah Pickett.

*Post-office Building* is a handsome brick structure on Pearl St., nr. Main. A large inner court has ranged around it the various departments of the Post-office. The largest news-stand in the city is also here.

### *Mails Arrive.*

From BOSTON and EASTERN NEW ENGLAND, at 12.05, 6.40, 10.00, A.M.; 12.25, 3.45, 5.40, 7.35, P.M.

From NEW YORK CITY and FOREIGN, 5.15, 9.00, A.M.; 1.40, 5.20, 9.45, P.M.

PROVIDENCE, 12.05, 6.40, 9.45, A.M.; 1.40, 4.05, 6.15, P.M.

NORWICH, 9.00 A.M., 6.30 P.M.

NASHUA, 9.45 A.M.; 4.30, 7.45, P.M.

FITCHBURG, 12.05, 9.45, A.M.; 2.30, 7.45, P.M.

GARDNER, 9.45 A.M., 6.15 P.M.

CANADA, 9.45 A.M., 6.15 P.M.

### *Mails Close.*

For BOSTON and EASTERN NEW ENGLAND, at 6.30, 9.30, A.M.; 1.00, 2.00, 4.30, 9.00, P.M.

NEW YORK CITY and FOREIGN, at 5.50, 9.20, 11.45, A.M.; 4.30, 6.30, 9.30, P.M.

PROVIDENCE, at 7.00, 10.45, A.M.; 3.30, 4.30, 5.45, 7.40, P.M.

NASHUA, at 7.00, 9.00, A.M.; 4.30, 9.30, P.M.

FITCHBURG, at 5.50, 7.00, 10.45, A.M.; 4.30, P.M.

GARDNER, at 7.30 A.M., 5.45 P.M.

CANADA, at 7.30 A.M., 4.30 P.M.

*Office-Hours* from 6.45 A.M. to 8 P.M.; except Sundays. On Sundays, from 9.45 to 10.30 A.M. Money-order business hours 8 A.M. to 6 P.M.; close on Saturday at 2 P.M.

Carriers' window open from 3 to 4 and 6.30 to 8 P.M. Sundays, 9.45 to 10.30 A.M.

**PRIVATE SCHOOLS.** — There are 15 private schools in Worcester, including College of the Holy Cross, Highland Military Academy, Normal School, Worcester Academy, and Free Institute of Industrial Science. Total number of pupils, about 2,000.

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS.** — Comprise 1 high, 113 grammar, 79 primary, 7 evening, and 5 evening drawing schools. There are 40 schoolhouses. The number of pupils February, 1882, was 9,056; increase during 1881, 115. Teachers, 235; increase during 1881, 17. Expended for all purposes, \$152,435.57. Total valuation of all school property, \$910,857.98. Instruction and repairs, \$150,302.11. Increase over 1880, \$10,580.20. Salaries of teachers, \$119,187.71. Cost for each pupil, \$16.47. Supt. of public schools, Albert P. Marble. Clerk, Chas. F. Pierce.

The school year begins on the first Monday in September, and is divided into 4 terms, comprising 40 weeks. Terms begin on the first Monday in

September, the Monday after Thanksgiving, the last Monday in February, the first Monday in May.

Vacations are 9 weeks preceding the first Monday in September; after Wednesday noon, Thanksgiving week; Christmas to New Year's, both inclusive; and one week preceding the first Monday in May.

**PURGATORY.**—A remarkable chasm, wild and extremely picturesque, lying in thick woods, in the town of Sutton, 16 miles from Worcester. Extreme dimensions, 1,000 feet in length, 30 in width, and 60 in depth.

**QUINSIGAMOND BOAT-CLUB,** org'd 21 years ago, has a large brick boat-house at Lake Quinsigamond, with a navy of about 30 boats. Besides developing an interest in aquatic sports, the club has a high reputation for musical and dramatic performances. It has played burlesques on "Romeo and Juliet," and "Hamlet," and "The Frog Opera," and an original play, "Lord Bateman," giving something of this character each year. Prest., Joseph P. Mason; treas., Joseph Rice; sec'y, John G. Heywood; capt., Rockwood Hoar.

**QUINSIGAMOND LAKE.**—A favorite pleasure-resort of the Indians formerly, and of the citizens of Worcester now. Famous for its college regattas, and its natural beauty. It lies on the eastern boundary of the town, and is 4 miles long, extending from Grafton on the S. to W. Boylston on the N., and averages  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile in breadth. A portion of it was once spanned by a floating bridge; but a causeway, costing \$26,000, was finished June 27, 1862. There are several pleasant summer hotels on the lake-side. A little settlement, called



Lake View, has sprung up on the eastern slope of a hill nr. the lake. There is a schoolhouse, and also a meeting-house, where religious services are held. There are two steamboats, the "City of Worcester," and the "Addie." There are two hotels, the Bloss's Island House, on the causeway, and the Eyrie. Coburn's and O'Leary's boat-houses have each some 40 fine row-boats for hire. There is a bowling-alley near the station of the "Dummy" Railroad. At the S. end of the lake is a garden and tavern, called Quinsigamond Park; also, a race-track. Opposite is Holden's Grove. There are several private boat-houses; and the Quinsigamond Boat-Club has convenient boat-houses N. of the Island House, on the W. shore. A dam at the S. end supplies water for New England Village Mills. The lake is reached by Worcester and Shrewsbury Narrow-gauge Railroad ("Dummy Road"); cars running hourly from Washington Sq., Union Depot. Omnibuses also run from Mechanics Hall, 321 Main St. See Omnibuses.

### RAILROAD STATIONS, THE STEAM.

— *Passengers leaving Worcester City (the centre), via any railroad whatever, must take the cars at Union Depot, Washington Sq.* There are, however, in the outlying districts and villages of Worcester, several way-stations, for the accommodation of residents in those places.

*Union Passenger Station.* — Built in 1875. One of the largest and most elegant depots in the country. It is 250 x 450 feet, covering about 4 acres of land, and costing three-fourths of a million dollars. The general style is Gothic. The clock-tower

is visible at a great distance. The roof is iron, double, and each section has a span of 125 feet. The material of the depot is a beautiful gray granite. All the railroads of Worcester centre here, although there are small branch stations in different parts of the city.

The other local stations are as follows:—

*Boston and Albany Railroad.*— Jamesville Station, Ludlow St., nr. Stafford.

*Boston, Barre, and Gardner Railroad.*— Lincoln Sq. and N. Worcester Station, junc. Holden and Brattle Sts.

*Worcester and Nashua Railroad.*— Lincoln Sq. Station.

*Worcester and Nashua Railroad.*— Summit Station, Burncoat St., nr. W. Boylston St., Ward 2.

*Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad.*— (Narrow-gauge or “dummy.”) Junc. Shrewsbury and Mulberry Sts., nr. Union Depot.

*Worcester and Shrewsbury Railroad.*— Lake View, on Quinsigamond Lake.

It is proposed to build a passenger-station at Quinsigamond Village, on the Providence & Worcester road.

## RAILROADS, THE STEAM.

Boston and Albany: opened to Worcester July 6, 1836; to Springfield, Oct. 1, 1839; and to Albany, in 1842.

Boston, Barre, and Gardner: opened Sept. 4, 1871.

Norwich and Worcester: opened April 1, 1840.

Providence and Worcester: opened Oct. 25, 1847.

Worcester and Nashua: opened Dec. 18, 1848.

Worcester and Shrewsbury (narrow-gauge or “dummy”): opened 1876.

The first railway to Worcester was the *Boston and Albany* (then *Boston and Worcester*). Its station stood on the site of the present Worcester Bank Block, on Foster St. The bell which gave warning of the departure of trains was suspended from a tree nr. the c. of Main St. The cars of that day were like the present English cars, — divided into two compartments, and having the doors on the sides, the conductor passing along on the outside of the car, by a narrow foot-way. There were at first 3 passenger trains a day to Boston, and the trip was made in from 2½ to 3 hours. The Boston and Albany road was originally projected in 1826, by Dr. Abner Phelps of Boston, a member of the Legislature.

#### READING-ROOMS.

*Free Public.* — Contains 233 papers and magazines, American and foreign. Open from 8 A.M. to 9.30 P.M.; Sundays, 2 to 9 P.M.

*Mechanics.* — 321 Main. Papers, magazines, and scientific journals. Open, to members only, daily from 9 A.M. to 9.30 P.M., Sundays excepted.

*Mission Rooms.* — In old Providence Depot, Green, opposite Temple. Open from 8 A.M. to 9 P.M. Established December, 1881.

*Worcester Lyceum and Natural History Association.* — 11 Foster St. Open from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Various scientific magazines and papers are taken.

*Young Men's Christian Association.* — Contains numerous religious, and several daily, papers. Open from 8 A.M. to 10 P.M.

**REFORM-CLUB, THE WORCESTER.** — Org'd in 1876, to help men who have become ad-

dicted to intemperance. It has smoking and reading rooms and an entertainment and lecture hall in the brick building No. 460 Main St. It has about 60 members, paying 50 cents a month each. The club often aids its needy members by giving them money, and getting them employment.

## REPRESENTATIVES OF WORCESTER.

*United States Senate.*—George Frisbie Hoar of Worcester; Henry L. Dawes of Pittsfield.

*United States House of Representatives.*—Wm. W. Rice of Worcester.

*Massachusetts Senate.*—Thomas J. Hastings of Worcester.

*Massachusetts House of Representatives.*—Aaron G. Walker, Samuel A. Porter, Eugene M. Moriarty, D. F. O'Connell, John R. Thayer, Asaph R. Marshall, Edwin Ames, Wm. L. Clark, all of Worcester.

**RESERVOIRS.**—The earliest reservoir of the city was a spring on the land of Daniel Goulding. He brought water from it to his buildings on Front St., in 1798. Several private aqueducts were built in old times, and some of them are still used. In 1845 Bell Pond, situated on Chandler Hill, was used as a reservoir, or water-supply, by the city. In 1855 16,000 gallons were pumped daily from Mill Brook. In 1865 a dam was placed across Lynde Brook. This dam gave way, and was totally destroyed, on Thursday, March 30, 1876; rebuilt in 1877, at a cost of \$112,528.64. The reservoir thus created, and called Nipnet Pond, has a capacity of 681,000,000 gallons.

See also Water-Department.

ROLLER SKATING. — See Skating Rink.

RURAL CEMETERY. — See Cemeteries.

SAVINGS BANKS. — See Banks.

SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST CO.,  
THE WORCESTER, is at 448 Main St.  
George M. Rice, president.

SCHOOLS. — See Public Schools.

SKATING RINK, THE WORCESTER  
ROLLER, occupies a large wooden building,  
erected in 1878, expressly for roller-skating. The  
site, including  $2\frac{1}{2}$  acres, was bought from the Boston  
and Albany Railroad by H. H. Bigelow, who will  
shortly utilize the surrounding grounds for garden  
purposes. The building is 225 feet long and 100 feet  
wide. The skating-surface is 175 feet long and 70  
feet wide. The promenades all around the interior  
are 15 feet broad. The interior is gayly decorated  
with flags, banners, etc., and, when lighted at night,  
makes an attractive appearance. Music is furnished  
on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons and on all  
week-day evenings; and it is enjoyable to see the  
throng of men, women, and children performing  
the several hundred possible evolutions on roller-  
skates. The rink is open from 10 A.M. to 12 M., 2  
to 4.30 P.M., and 7.45 to 10.30 P.M. In the summer-  
time the building and grounds are used for light  
operas and other entertainments, and as a public  
garden. The proprietor is H. H. Bigelow, and the  
manager J. F. Bigelow.

### SOCIETIES.

*Allen Associates.* — 10 Douglas St.

*Foresters, United Order of.* — Secretary, 94  
Washington St.

*Masons.* — Pearl, P. O. Block, nr. Main St.

*Odd Fellows, Grand United Order of.* — Warren Block, Pearl St.

*Odd Fellows, Independent Order of.* — 11 Pleasant St. and Chapin Block, Pearl St.

**SPY, THE WORCESTER DAILY.** — 444 Main. Established in 1770, in Boston, by Isaiah Thomas, the patriot printer and publisher. It was first called the *Massachusetts Spy*. Thomas was one of the "Traitors" upon whose head a price was set by the British. He escaped to Worcester. The last number of his journal issued in Boston bore the date April 6, 1775. On the 3d of May in the same year the paper appeared in Worcester with the motto in large type: "Americans! Liberty or Death! Join or Die!" It is now in its one hundred and twelfth year. The weekly edition is called by the old name *Massachusetts Spy*; and full files of it may be seen in the Worcester Free Public Library and in the rooms of the American Antiquarian Society of Worcester. The first thing ever printed in Worcester was the first number of the *Spy*, and the paper has grown with the growth of the city. In May, 1775, it printed the first account of the battle of Ticonderoga, which the London papers copied. There have been remarkably few changes in the ownership of the paper. Three firms span the time from the start to the present; namely, Isaiah Thomas, John Milton Earle, and John D. Baldwin & Sons. The present editors and publishers are John D. Baldwin, John S. Baldwin, and C. C. Baldwin. They have published the *Spy* for the past 23 years.

The old simple press, similar to Ben. Franklin's press, on which the *Spy* was printed 100 years ago, may be seen at the hall of the American Antiquarian Society. It is the old press used by Isaiah Thomas in Revolutionary days, and is in striking contrast to the complicated and costly machine which is required to print the *Spy* to-day. The ancient press would print less than 200 an hour, while the great Hoe rotary four-cylinder press which the large circulation of the *Spy* requires now has a capacity of 10,000 an hour.

**SQUARES.** — See Parks.

### STAGES AND OMNIBUSES.

*Barre.* — Leaves 1 Pleasant St. at 4.45 P.M.; returning, arrives in Worcester at 12.15 P.M.

*Cherry Valley, Leicester, and Spencer.* — Leaves 349 Main St. at 10.30 A.M. for Cherry Valley and Leicester. Leaves at 4.30 P.M. for Cherry Valley, Leicester, and Spencer. Leaves Spencer at 7 A.M. Leaves Leicester at 8 A.M. and 1.30 P.M., arriving in Worcester at 9 A.M. and 2.30 P.M. Saturdays, leaves at 9 P.M. for Cherry Valley and Leicester.

*Marlboro', Northboro', and Shrewsbury.* — Leaves 349 Main St. at 4 P.M., Union Depot at 4.15 P.M. Returning, leaves Marlboro' at 7, Northboro' at 8, Shrewsbury at 8.45, arriving at Worcester at 9.30 A.M.

*Millbury.* — Leaves 330 Main St. at 11.30 A.M. and 5 P.M. Returning, leaves Millbury at 8 A.M. and 2 P.M.

*Paxton.* — Leaves Bay State House at 4. P.M.;

leaves Paxton at 7.50 A.M., arriving at Worcester at 9.10 A.M.

*Shrewsbury.* — Leaves 24 Front St. at 10.30 A.M. and 5 P.M., arriving in Shrewsbury at 11.30 A.M. and 6 P.M.; returning, arrives in Worcester at 9.30 A.M. and 2 P.M.

**STATE MUTUAL LIFE ASSURANCE CO.**, of Worcester, is one of the oldest, strongest, and best life-insurance companies in the United States. No other company has given equal satisfaction to policy-holders, and none offers greater advantages to persons desiring insurance. This company was org'd in 1845, and from the beginning has been recognized throughout the country as one of the most conservative and trustworthy corporations. It began with only \$50,000 cash capital, and to-day its assets are almost \$3,000,000. It is a purely mutual life-insurance company, conducting its affairs on sound business principles, but wholly for philanthropic purposes. Every department is conducted on the most economical basis; the company constantly and positively avoiding all expensive or experimental efforts to enlarge its business, which has, however, gradually and regularly increased; its old policy-holders continuing in greater proportions than those of almost any other company. Under the Mass. laws its policies are absolutely non-forfeitable for failure to pay subsequent premiums. The policies issued to the insured are as liberal, and the settlements for losses are as equitable and generous and prompt, as those of any company in the world. The officers and directors are always among the most highly esteemed men of New England. The first president



was Gov. John Davis, 1845-54; the second, Hon. Isaac Davis, 1854-82; the third, Gov. A. H. Bullock, who died shortly after taking the office; and the fourth and present prest. is Philip L. Moen of the Washburn & Moen Manuf'g Co. The vice-pres't is Dr. Thomas H. Gage, one of the most eminent of New England physicians, a resident of Worcester for the past 30 years. The sec'y is Clarendon Harris, who is the veteran life-insurance officer in this country, having held the same office since the company was organized, 38 years ago. The ass't sec'y is Henry M. Wheeler, who has been connected with this company for the past 20 years; and J. D. E. Jones has been the supt. of agencies for 17 consecutive years. The company's offices are in the granite building No. 240 Main St., in Worcester; and its agencies are established in leading cities of the United States.

### STATISTICS.

Valuation (personal) . . . . .	\$10,540,839
Valuation (real) . . . . .	\$32,065,700
Miles of streets, ways, etc. . . . .	208
Miles of sewers . . . . .	38
Number of deaths in 1880 . . . . .	1,290
Deaths in 1881 . . . . .	1,212
Receipts in 1881 . . . . .	\$2,138,859.56
Expenditures in 1881 . . . . .	\$2,135,328.83
Number of dwellings . . . . .	6,688
Number of polls . . . . .	16,070
Number of street-lamps . . . . .	1,621
Number of commons and squares . . . . .	10
Names in City Directory . . . . .	24,710
City election . . . . .	Tues. after 2d Mon. in Dec

City Government organized . . .	1st Mon. in Jan.
Regular water-rates begin . . .	June 1
Metred water rates payable . . .	April 1 and Oct. 1
State tax for 1881 . . . . .	\$42,765
County tax for 1881 . . . . .	34,570
City tax for 1881 . . . . .	654,700

**ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC BURYING-GROUND.** — See Cemeteries.

**ST. JOHN'S CATHOLIC BURYING-GROUND.** — See Cemeteries.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH** (Roman Catholic), on Chatham, cor. High St., is one of the finest church edifices in the county, and cost, with the land, upwards of \$200,000. Its erection was begun in 1868; the corner-stone being laid by Archbishop Williams of Boston. The first mass was celebrated July 4, 1869. The dedication took place July 4, 1876. The structure is of granite, in the Gothic style of architecture. It is 185 feet long, and 90 feet wide, and the spire is to be 200 feet high. The marble statue of St. Paul, on a pedestal over the main entrance, was brought from Rome, and presented by Mrs. George Crompton, who also gave the beautiful stained-glass windows.

**TATNUCK BURYING-GROUND.** — See Cemeteries.

**TAXATION.** — Lowest rate of taxation since the incorporation of the city was \$6.50 on \$1,000, in 1852; the highest was \$17.50, in 1867. The rate of taxation in 1881 was \$16.80; in 1880, \$17.40. The increase in taxation in 1881, over that of 1880, was \$3,371; the total tax for 1881 being \$747,847. The tax on the 16,070 polls was \$2 each.

**TAYLOR'S GRANITE BLOCK.** — See Chollar's Furniture Establishment.

**TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.**— The Worcester Division of the Eastern Telephone Co. has its main office on the fourth floor of Harrington's Block, cor. Main and Front Sts. In Worcester there are about 800 subscribers. A peculiar feature is the striking of fire-alarms: a fire taking place on the premises of a subscriber, he notifies the Telephone Exchange, which is in instantaneous speaking communication with all the engine-houses. This exchange is in connection with the principal cities of New England. The telephone was put in operation here in May, 1879, by the National Bell Telephone Co. of Boston, the change to the new company taking place in 1880. The general manager is Loren N. Downs.

**TEMPERANCE.** — Worcester has the usual variety of secret and open temperance organizations, including Sons of Temperance, Good Templars, Temple of Honor, Father Mathew Mutual Benefit Total-Abstinence Society, Praying Women's Temperance Union, Reform and Temperance Clubs, St. Paul's Total-Abstinence Society, colored temperance organizations, and the Episcopal Church Temperance Society. All these are active in their several fields, and are doing good work.

**UPHOLSTERY.** — See Chollar's Furniture-Establishment.

**VAILL'S FOLDING-CHAIR MANUFACTORY** is one of the most noteworthy establishments in America. It is the result, the lifetime work, of a

most energetic and well-directed effort of a prudent and thoughtful man, E. W. Vaill, who is still actively engaged in superintending and developing a business which has already reached an almost incredible magnitude. Here in Worcester folding chairs varying in value from one to fifty dollars each are shipped to all the corners of the globe; this manufactory having duly established branch houses in New-York City; Melbourne, Australia; Alexandria, Egypt; and London, England. Mr. Vaill began business in 1848, and ever since then has maintained an unquestioned credit and unsurpassed reputation for trustworthiness. At first occupying only a small store opposite the Bay State House, he now occupies one of the finest factories in the country; immense, well-constructed five-story brick buildings, with a floor-surface of about two acres, and equipped in every department with the best tools, machinery, and appurtenances. Beginning as a maker of plain army camp-chairs, he now manufactures almost every conceivable form of folding chairs, made of all kinds of hard wood, with all sorts of finish, and in every variety of upholstery. Mr. Vaill, although owning innumerable patents which would in themselves insure him almost a monopoly, has, nevertheless, uniformly sought for success by putting forth at reasonable figures only such goods as he was willing to indorse fully for all that was claimed for them. In speaking of the Vaill folding chairs, a writer justly said that their success "is due primarily to the distinctive features of this now universally popular piece of furniture, and to the fact that the founder of this enterprise gave it great business skill, rigid integrity, and a determination to hold his place and his goods in the front rank."

**VALUATION.** — The total valuation of real and personal estate, in 1850, was \$11,082,501; in 1881 it was \$43,206,539.

**VILLAGES.** — The villages of Worcester are located as follows: —

*Barnardville.* — Webster St., opposite cemetery.

*Bloomington.* — Bloomington road and Plantation St.

*Greendale.* — W. Boylston, nr. Ararat St.

*Hopeville.* — Sutton Lane, nr. Webster Sq.

*Jamesville.* — S. of Stafford, nr. Auburn.

*New Worcester.* — Junc. Main and Leicester, and Cambridge and Webster.

*North Pond.* — Holden road.

*Northville.* — W. Boylston St.

*Quinsigamond Village.* — Millbury St.

*South Worcester.* — Junc. Southbridge and Cambridge Sts.

*Tatnuck.* — Junc. Mill, Mower, and Pleasant Sts.

*Trowbridgeville.* — Webster, nr. Auburn St.

*Valley Falls.* — Leicester St.

**WACHUSETT CLUB** is a private social association of young men, org'd in 1877, with 22 charter members, 17 of whom still remain connected with the club. It has 24 members, and has pleasantly furnished parlor, reading-room, and billiard-room, at Harrington Corner.

## WARDS.

*Ward 1.* — Beginning at the centre of Main St. at a point opposite the centre of Walnut St.; thence to and by the centre of Walnut St. to Chestnut St.; thence to and by the centre of Chestnut St. to a point opposite the centre of William St.; thence to

and by the centre of William St. and in a direct line crossing West St. to the centre of Agricultural St.; thence in a direct line to the junc. of Cataract St. with the boundary-line between Worcester and Holden; thence by the boundary-line between Worcester and Holden to the main track of the Boston, Barre, and Gardner Railroad; thence by the main track of the Boston, Barre, and Gardner Railroad to its intersection with the main track of the Worcester and Nashua Railroad at Barber's Crossing; thence by the main track of the Worcester and Nashua Railroad to a point opposite the centre of Lincoln Sq.; thence to and by the centre of Lincoln Sq. to the centre of Main St.; thence by the centre of Main St. to the point of beginning.

*Ward 2.* — Beginning at the centre of Main St. at a point opposite the centre of Exchange St.; thence by the centre of Main St. and Lincoln Sq. to the main track of the Worcester and Nashua Railroad; thence by the main track of the Worcester and Nashua Railroad to its intersection with the main track of the Boston, Barre, and Gardner Railroad at Barber's Crossing; thence by the main track of the Boston, Barre, and Gardner Railroad to the boundary-line between Worcester and Holden; thence by the boundary-line between Worcester and Holden and Worcester and W. Boylston to the N. E. corner of the city; thence by the boundary-line between Worcester and W. Boylston and Worcester and Shrewsbury to a stone monument set in the ground at the northerly end of Quinsigamond Pond, and at an angle in said boundary-line; thence by the boundary-line between Worcester and Shrewsbury to Belmont St.; thence to and by the centre of Bel-

mont St. to a point opposite the centre of Shrewsbury St.; thence to and by the centre of Shrewsbury St. to a point opposite the centre of E. Central St.; thence to and by the centre of E. Central St. to Summer St.; thence to and by the centre of Summer St. to a point opposite the centre of Exchange St.; thence to and by the centre of Exchange St. to the point of beginning.

*Ward Three.* — Beginning at the centre of Main St. at a point opposite the centre of Exchange St.; thence to and by the centre of Exchange St. to Summer St.; thence to and by the centre of Summer St. to a point opposite the centre of East Central St.; thence to and by the centre of East Central St. to Shrewsbury St.; thence to and by the centre of Shrewsbury St. to Belmont St.; thence to and by the centre of Belmont St. to the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Shrewsbury; thence by the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Shrewsbury, Worcester and Grafton, and Worcester and Millbury, to the centre of Grafton St.; thence by the centre of Grafton St. to the main track of the Boston and Albany Railroad; thence by the main track of the Boston and Albany Railroad to Green St.; thence to and by the centre of Green St. and Trumbull Sq. to Park St.; thence to and by the centre of Park St. to Main St.; thence to and by the centre of Main St. to the point of beginning.

*Ward Four.* — Beginning at the centre of Green St. at the point where it intersects with the main track of the Boston and Albany Railroad; thence by the track of the Boston and Albany Railroad to Grafton St.; thence to and by the cen-

tre of Grafton St. to the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Millbury; thence by the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Millbury to the centre of Granite St.; thence by the centre of Granite St. to its junction with Winthrop St.; thence to and by the centre of Winthrop St. to Vernon St.; thence to and by the centre of Vernon St. to a point opposite the centre of Endicott St.; thence to and by the centre of Endicott St. to Millbury St.; thence to and by the centre of Millbury St. to Green St.; thence to and by the centre of Green St. to the point of beginning.

*Ward Five.* — Beginning at the centre of Green St. at the point where it intersects with the main track of the Boston and Albany Railroad; thence by the centre of Green St. to Millbury St.; thence to and by the centre of Millbury St. to a point opposite the centre of Endicott St.; thence to and by the centre of Endicott St. to Vernon St.; thence to and by the centre of Vernon St. to a point opposite the centre of Winthrop St.; thence to and by the centre of Winthrop St. to Granite St.; thence to and by the centre of Granite St. to the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Millbury; thence by the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Millbury and Worcester and Auburn to the main track of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad; thence by the main track of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad to the main track of the Boston and Albany Railroad nr. the Junction Depot; thence by the main track of the Boston and Albany Railroad to Southbridge St.; thence to and by the centre of Southbridge St. to a point opposite the centre of Madison St.; thence to and by the centre of Madis-



son St. to a point opposite the centre of Portland St.; thence to and by the centre of Portland St. to Park St.; thence to and by the centre of Park St. and Trumbull Sq. to Green St.; thence to and by the centre of Green St. to the place of beginning.

*Ward Six.* — Beginning at the centre of Main St. at a point opposite the centre of Park St.; thence to and by the centre of Park St. to a point opposite the centre of Portland St.; thence to and by the centre of Portland St. to Madison St.; thence to and by the centre of Madison St. to where it intersects with Southbridge St.; thence to and by the centre of Southbridge St. to the main track of the Boston and Albany Railroad; thence by the main track of the Boston and Albany Railroad to the main track of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad nr. the Junction Depot; thence by the main track of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad to the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Auburn; thence by the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Auburn to the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Leicester; thence by the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Leicester to the centre of Leicester St.; thence to and by the centre of Leicester St. to Main St.; thence to and by the centre of Main St. to the point of beginning.

*Ward Seven.* — Beginning at the centre of Main St. at a point opposite the centre of Chatham St.; thence to and by the centre of Main St. to Leicester St.; thence to and by the centre of Leicester St. to the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Leicester; thence by the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Leicester to Fowler St.; thence

easterly in a direct line to a point where Chandler St. intersects with June St.; thence to and by the centre of Chandler St. to a point opposite the centre of Newbury St.; thence to and by the centre of Newbury St. to a point opposite the centre of Chatham St.; thence to and by the centre of Chatham St. to Main St.; thence in a direct line to the point of beginning.

*Ward Eight.* — Beginning at the centre of Main St. at a point opposite the centre of Chatham St.; thence to and by the centre of Chatham St. to Newbury St.; thence to and by the centre of Newbury St. to Chandler St.; thence to and by the centre of Chandler St. to a point opposite the centre of June St.; thence westerly in a direct line to Fowler St. at its junction with the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Leicester; thence by the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Leicester to the N.-W. cor. of the city; thence by the boundary-line bet. Worcester and Paxton and Worcester and Holden to its junction with Cataract St.; thence in a direct line to a point on the E. side of Agricultural St. at the S.-W. cor. of the grounds of the Agricultural Society; thence in a direct line to William St.; thence to and by the centre of William St. to Chestnut St.; thence to and by the centre of Chestnut St. to Walnut St.; thence to and by the centre of Walnut St. to Main St.; thence to and by the centre of Main St. to the point of beginning.

#### WARD ROOMS.

Ward 1. — Walnut St. Schoolhouse.

Ward 2. — Belmont St. Schoolhouse.

Ward 3. — Armory, Waldo St.

Ward 4. — Ledge St. Schoolhouse.

Ward 5. — City Hall, Room 12.

Ward 6. — 615 Main St.

Ward 7. — Ante-room, City Hall.

Ward 8. — Oxford St. Schoolhouse.

**WASHBURN & MOEN MANUFACTURING COMPANY** of Worcester is one of the largest industries of any kind, and unquestionably the largest of its own kind, in the world. The whole establishment is devoted to the manufacture of iron and steel wire, plain and barbed. The works are partly on Grove St. in Worcester, and partly at Quinsigamond Village. They occupy an area of 23 acres; the buildings, almost wholly of brick, are built in the most substantial manner, and are model manufactories in every respect. The Grove-st. works alone present a continuous front of 600 feet of solid brick; to which the chief central building, containing the main offices of the company, and having massive proportions and a shapely tower, gives an excellent architectural effect. It was on this site that the first Washburn Wire Mill was built to utilize the Mill Brook, whose waters still flow through the adjoining Salisbury Pond. The Washburn and Moen Manufacturing Company is the result of a business established fifty-one years ago. It employs 3,000 men, and uses 3,000-horse-power for driving its machinery. The floor surface of the works includes over 12 acres. Although only wire is made here, nevertheless, as there are now nearly one hundred varieties, there is, after all, a variety of work carried on in these immense works. The various wires include the different kinds used for telegraph and telephone, for wire

cloth, barbed-wire fences, bird-cages, wire rope, and the innumerable list of articles in which wire is more or less used. This company is undoubtedly the institution which, more than any other, makes Worcester and her products known the world over; for the wire made here is shipped to all parts of both hemispheres. The officers are also among the most patriotic, most philanthropic, and best-known residents of New England. They take an active interest in every thing that is likely to prove advantageous to the city, county, and State; and their names are familiar in every quarter. The prest. and treasurer is Philip L. Moen, who is also at the head of many local institutions. The vice-prest. and sec'y is Charles F. Washburn, the nephew of Ichabod Washburn, the founder of the business; and the general superintendent is Charles H. Morgan.

**WASHBURN FREE DISPENSARY**, 11 Trumbull St., incorporated 1874. Supported by a fund given by the late Ichabod Washburn, and managed by trustees of the Memorial Hospital. Albert Wood, supt

**WASHINGTON CLUB** is a large organization which, for a score or more years, has maintained private rooms for social purposes in Clark's Block, Main Street. Its members include many prominent citizens. Prest., F. B. Norton; sec'y, Wm. Heald.

**WATER-DEPARTMENT.**—The dam and reservoir are at Lynde Brook, situated  $5\frac{5}{8}$  miles from City Hall. Area of water-shed, 1,870 acres. The depth of water at dam is 37.4; the capacity of reservoir is 681,000,000 gallons; elevation above

City Hall, 481.25 feet. Hunt Reservoir, used for distribution, has a capacity of 3,000,000 gallons. 3,000,000 gallons a day are pumped. Number of miles of main pipe, 87.7; miles of service-pipe, 47 6. Cost of department in 1881, \$60,819 92. Total cost of water-works to Dec. 1, 1881, \$1,294,577.95.

### WHITCOMB'S ENVELOPE FACTORY

is one of the several great manufacturing establishments which make Worcester known throughout this country. Here more than one million envelopes are made every day, and shipped to leading jobbers and stationers in the principal States in the Union. Every size, shape, and quality of envelope is made; and, although there is an almost endless list of varieties in regular stock, the firm is prepared to make to order, in large or small quantities, every thing else that any one may desire in the way of envelopes. The business was begun in 1864 by G. Henry Whitcomb, who at first made only 3,000 envelopes a day, while the product now amounts to 400 times that number. Upwards of 1,000 tons of paper are made yearly into about 350,000,000 envelopes. The buildings are all of brick, very attractive outside, and extremely neat inside. They are three stories and a half high above the basement, making five available floors about 200 feet long with an average width of about 50 feet. They are provided with every convenience, and are equipped throughout with unique and valuable patented machinery invented by men in their employ, and owned and run exclusively by this firm. The Whitcombs are among the most industrious and most highly esteemed business-men of Worcester. G. Henry Whitcomb built

as his residence the beautiful Monson granite edifice, cor. of Highland and Harvard Sts. David Whitcomb, the senior partner, was originally the treasurer of the Worcester Co. Free Institute, and was once the business partner of John Boynton of Templeton, who gave \$100,000 to that institution; of which, also, Mr. Whitcomb has himself been one of the trustees and chief benefactors. The ambition of this firm is to satisfy in every respect its customers, striving always to retain every customer once on its books by so transacting its business that no one can gain any thing by changing his orders to another envelope manufacturer. Very rarely is its advertisement seen, and they do not keep travelling salesmen to solicit orders; yet its capacity is taxed to its utmost, while many orders are necessarily declined. In very few manufactories can one find more interesting machinery than in this envelope factory of G. Henry Whitcomb & Co.

**WOOD-ENGRAVING.** — See Kyes & Woodbury.

**WORCESTER ART SOCIETY** has been org'd about 6 years; has nearly 200 members; holds bi-monthly meetings for papers on art topics; and has given three extended exhibitions of paintings. Its object is to develop a popular knowledge of and taste for art. Prest., Rev. E. H. Hall; treas., E. B. Hamilton; sec'y, John G. Heywood.

**WORCESTER ART STUDENTS' CLUB** has 30 active members devoted to practical art work. Each member is pledged to exhibit new work at each monthly meeting. Meets at 377 Main St. the last Friday evening in each month, and also meets in-

formally for sketch-practice on Wednesday evenings. It has quite a large list of honorary members. Prest., Geo. E. Gladwin; treas., Miss Jennie L. Southwick.

**WORCESTER CO-OPERATIVE SAVING FUND AND LOAN ASSOCIATION**, incorporated Oct. 19, 1877. Aims to help people buy houses, pay off mortgages, build homes, and save money. It is a mutual building association, where the members who have money to spare lend it to other members to build houses; the borrowers giving security, and paying interest. Its authorized capital is \$1,000,000, and the shareholders pay in \$1 a month on each share. The ass'n now has 500 shareholders, holding 2,800 shares. Its meeting-room is in Mechanics Hall.

**WORCESTER COUNTY.** — The largest county in the State. Drained by the Assabet, Blackstone, Chicopee, Miller's, French, Nashua, Quinebaug, and Ware Rivers. Surface undulating and hilly, and covered with forests. The county contains Wachusett Mt., 2,018 ft. high. Manufacturing is a prominent industry. Besides the railroads mentioned in this book under "Railroads," the county is intersected by the New York and New England, the Boston, Clinton, and Fitchburg, and the Massachusetts Central. The county has of the population of the United States .005 per cent; of all the inventions made in the United States, .012 per cent; of the population of New England, .06 per cent; of the inventions of New England, .06 per cent. Area about 1,500 sq. miles.

**WORCESTER COUNTY FREE INSTITUTE OF INDUSTRIAL SCIENCE.**— See Free Institute.

**WORCESTER COUNTY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**, org. 1840. Prest., Francis H. Dewey; sec'y, Edw. W. Lincoln. Owns Horticultural Hall, a fine public building on Front St., and a very valuable special library of over 2,000 vols. It was established by the Lincoln, Paine, and Earle families of the last generation, and has developed horticultural taste here until the Society ranks among the first in the country. For years it held great autumnal exhibitions, and now has weekly exhibitions, Thursday afternoons, with liberal premiums. In winter meetings are devoted to papers by experts, and horticultural discussions. The "Transactions" of the Society, and reports of its secretary, are among the most valuable contributions to the literature on New-England horticulture.

**WORCESTER COUNTY MUSICAL ASSOCIATION.**— Established in 1863, at the close of a musical convention held in Mechanics' Hall. The first musical convention held in Worcester County was in 1852. Great masterpieces are brought out, and solid work done, at the annual assemblies in September, which continue five days. Eight grand concerts are given. Prest., Hon. Wm. R. Hill of Wilkinsonville. Sec'y, A. C. Munroe of Worcester.

**WORCESTER DISTRICT MEDICAL SOCIETY**, organized 1804, but the foundation was practically laid ten years previously. It is subordi-



nate to the Massachusetts Medical Society. Annual meeting and election of officers, second Wednesday in May. Its library of 5,000 volumes is kept in the Free Public Library building. Emerson Warner, prest.

**WORCESTER LYCEUM AND NATURAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION.** — Organized 1829. In August, 1856, took the name of the Young Men's Library Association. Has absorbed several other associations. Incorporated in 1866. The Natural History Department organized in 1854, with Rev. Dr. E. E. Hale as chairman, when the Lyceum of Natural History transferred to it its collections. In January, 1853, the library was opened. In 1856 Dr. John Green placed his library at its disposal, and in 1859 all the books of the society were transferred to the Free Public Library. The association is now chiefly scientific, and aims to instruct by classes and courses of lectures. The botanical, conchological, ornithological, and geological and mineral collections are very large and interesting, containing respectively about 1,500, 4,000, 600, and 2,000 specimens. The nine rooms are extremely pleasant, the parlor being handsomely furnished and decorated with paintings. One of the objects of the society is to form a complete museum of the natural history of Worcester County. Branch societies are being formed: one was established at East Templeton in 1881, under the presidency of Capt. V. P. Parkhurst. At Westboro', Oxford, Spencer, and Millbury, branch societies are in process of formation. It is proposed to form societies in every town in the county. The winter evening classes have been very successful. A course

of lectures in zoölogy by Mr. J. S. Kingsley, the custodian of the society, was given in 1882. Within two years 600 members have been added to the society. Museum, reading-room, and parlor open free to all from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Worcester Bank Block, on Foster St.

**WORCESTER SAFETY DEPOSIT AND TRUST CO.**—Geo. M. Rice, prest.; Edw. F. Bisco, sec'y—is chartered, with \$200,000 capital, and transacts all banking business except the issuing of bills. It has large and strong safes, with small compartments rented to subscribers, for the safe keeping of valuable papers, etc., and also receives valuables on general deposit. It offers trustworthy security against loss by thieves and fire.

**WORCESTER SOCIETY OF ANTI-QUITY.**—Rooms Worcester Bank Block. Is practically, although not actually, the successor of the Worcester County Historical Society, which was incorporated Feb. 19, 1831, to gather statistics for a full history of the county.

Society of Antiquity, established Jan. 24, 1875. Prest., E. B. Crane. Object of society, promotion of local antiquarian science and research. Regular meeting, first Tuesday evening of each month. Membership fee, \$2.00. The society has a valuable library of about 8,000 vols. and pamphlets. Four vols. illustrating local antiquities have already been published.

**YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.**—411 Main St. Organized 1864. Open from 8 A.M. to 10 P.M. Reception-room, reading-room.

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