

Building Plaque Application

Name _____

Building Address 201-203 E. Chicago St.

Building Name Leitner Bros.

(for public/commercial structures)

If applicant's name is different from above:

Name MARY M. HILL Daytime Phone 695-9659

Address 489 MARY PL City ELGIN State IL Zip 60120

Original Owner Edward and Henry Leitner

Date of Construction 1904

Architect (if known) David Postle

Builder (if known) Smith and Wilkening

Check if attached:

☒ **Statement Of Value**

Please review the criteria on page 5. The Elgin Heritage Commission uses these criteria to review your application and award a plaque. Attach an explanation of the historical **and** architectural value of the building. Attach photocopies of relevant materials such as copies of Sanborn maps, original property deeds and City Directory listings. Applications without these requirements will not be considered by the Elgin Heritage Commission.

☒ **Building Alterations**

Describe any alterations to the **exterior** of the building and include dates. Attach description to the application.

☒ **Photograph**

Include a recent photograph in which the building is clearly visible. Additional photographs depicting a close up and details of decorative features are helpful.

Stipulations

If the building is not awarded a plaque, the application fee of \$15.00 will be refunded.

This application and submitted materials shall be retained by the City of Elgin as a part of the permanent record of the building.

The Elgin Heritage Commission has the authority to edit and publish the information submitted in the application. This does not prohibit others from using the information.

When awarded, the plaque will remain the property of the City and cannot be altered or removed from the building. It is the City's responsibility to replace the plaque if and when the situation warrants it.

In addition to agreeing to the above stipulations, the undersigned attests that the information provided is, to the best of his/her knowledge, accurate.

Owner's Signature Mary M. Hill

Date 7/7/99

Signed Mary M. Hill

Date May 24, 1999

Historical/Architectural

James T. Gifford's Original Plat of Elgin was comprised of land he had bought from the U.S. Government. It was laid out along the east bank of the Fox River. The road running east from the river was named Chicago St. Gifford's thinking was that the east bluff of the river, Center St., would be the town's retail center, but those who opened businesses to meet the needs of the townspeople thought otherwise. Elgin's retail area grew between the eastern bluff of the river and the river with Chicago St. as one of its main arteries. Spring St., a north/south running street, ran from water springs near Kimball St. to River St. (now S. Grove Ave.), intersecting Chicago St. Block 11 of the Original Plat was bounded by Spring and Center Sts. on the west and east; Chicago and DuPage Sts. formed its north and south boundaries.

In 1843, Gifford sold lot 5 of block 11 to B.W. Raymond of Chicago and Simon N. Dexter of New Jersey (or New York, reports conflict). A brick store was built by Raymond on the corner of Spring and Chicago Sts. and was called " B.W. Raymond and Co.". Raymond never lived in Elgin, but believed in the town. He became a prime force in its development by succeeding in getting two railroads to extend their lines through Elgin which helped greatly in establishing Elgin as a leading dairy center. He also was instrumental in getting the watch factory located in Elgin, another highly lucrative benefit to the town. Lot 5 was divided into three, 22 foot pieces. By 1851, the eastern 22 feet had been sold and "B.W. Raymond and Co." was closed. In 1865, an assignee's deed from the estate of S.N. Dexter was made to I.F. DeRemer (probably Ida, wife of John DeRemer) for the west 44 feet of lot 5 on which sat the brick store. DeRemer joined with Henry Squier to operate a "carriage manufactory" on the corner of Spring and Chicago Sts. Henry Squier eventually acquired the west 22 feet of the lot with the next 22 feet acquired by Angus Stewart who opened a bakery on the street level and operated a music academy on the second floor. He later built the large building just south and around the corner on Spring St.- Stewart Hall. At the time, the carriage manufactory and the bakery were numbered 61 and 63 Chicago St. respectively.

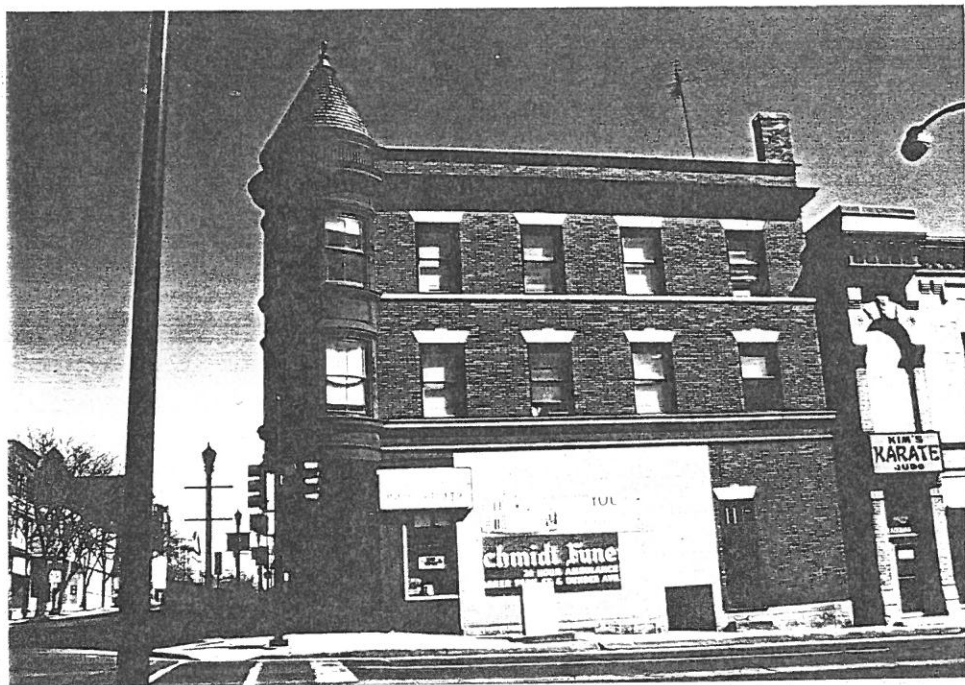
By 1878, both stores were combined to become Weightman and Plant Grocery. It remained there until 1891 when Edward and Henry Leitner opened Leitner Brothers Meat Market. Business was very good and allowed them to acquire the west 44 feet of block 5 and pursue plans to update and expand. In 1904, architect David Postle drew up plans for a new building to be constructed by Smith and Wilkening on the site of Raymond's old brick store. The building was finished in 1904 and was numbered 201 and 203 Chicago St.

Historical/Architectural continued

The property stayed in the hands of the Leitner family until 1950 when it was sold to members of the Marckhoff family. From there it was put into a trust and bought by its present owners from that trust. The two stores were never used as a meat market again. Vestiges of the meat processing business remain in the basement. The street level stores have been home to various businesses over the years; 201 E. Chicago St. has been a shoe repair business for many years. The upper two floors continue to be apartments.

Architectural

The square building is built of red brick, is rather plain and simple. There is cement block above each window and door on the facade. The simplicity of the building is stunningly set off by a two story tower topped with a conical "witch's cap" including a finial. The tower contains detail work just below the witch's cap; "Leitner Bros." boldly stands out in block letters. There are curved glass windows with floral decoration between them. Below the tower is a bracketed shelf over the double front door. The detailed tower on an otherwise plain structure is a Queen Anne style feature. The street level floor has been altered and painted. The tower too, has been painted.







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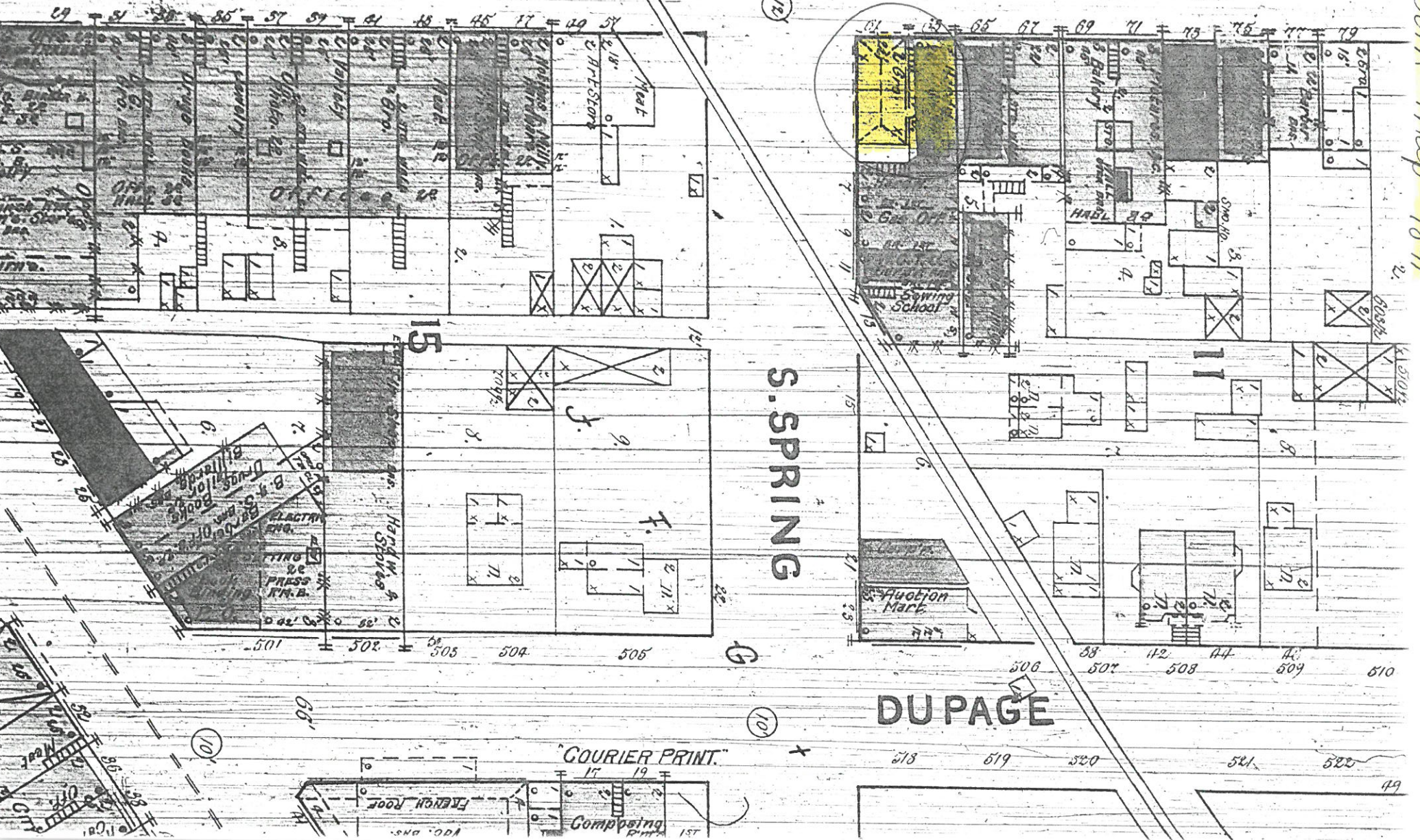
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Common map 1891

Sanborn 170P 1897

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 Dewey Mathew, salesman S. McOsker's bds same
 Dickinson James, (Gieske & Dickinson,) h w s River, 3 n Watch Fac-
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 Dickinson Mary L., wid Daniel, h n s Chicago, 2 e N. Center
DIETRICH JOHN,
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 cor Kimball. (See card p. 172.)
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 Dixon James, liveryman, h w s River 3 s Lake
 Dolph S. S., wks National Watch Co
 Dolph Sidney, mason h s s Division, bet Chapel and Gifford
 Doner Thomas, historical and portrait engraver n w cor Locust and
 Broadway, h same
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 Dougherty John, grain dealer, e s Mill, 1 s Dexter
 Dougherty John, student, bds S. Tyler
 Dougherty Michael, grain dealer, e s Mill, 3 n Division, bds Kimball
 House
 Dougherty Thomas, expressman G. Hassen, bds same
 Duck Daniel R., (Shanks & Duck,) h o s Geneva, 2 n Fulton
 Duck John, patent right dealer, h s s Chicago, 3 w Gifford
 Duggan Patrick, groceries and provisions, e s Mill 2 n Division, h same
 Dully John, lab, h w s Grove, 2 s Galena
 Duhey, M., salesman, Stafford McOsker, bds same
 Duncan C. W., wks National Watch Co.
 Dunlap George, shoemkr J. Dietrich, h s e cor N. Center and Kimball
 Dunce Mary, milliner R. Campbell, bds same
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 makers, n w cor River and Division
 Dunstan A. W., saleswoman Dunstan & Bros., bds B. Dunstan
 Dunstan Basil, (Dunstan & Bros.,) h n s Milwaukee, bet Mill and River
 Dunstan Thomas, (Dunstan & Bros.,) h n s Milwaukee, bet Mill and
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Plummer May, Miss, operator Chicago Telephone Co., boards 90 Villa.
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Pfeiger Kate Miss, servant 375 N. Spring
Pflug August, books, stationery, toys, fancy goods, etc. 23 Douglas
av. residence 188 Center
Pflug Fred (Sheppard & Pflug) residence 258 Center
Pflug Hugo, clerk August Pflug, bds. 188 Center
Phelps S. laborer, residence 152 Brooks
Phelps William H. polisher, residence 73 Highland av.
Phillipi Michael, wks. watch fcty. residence 130 Sherman av.
Phillips David, clerk Cheap Charley's, bds. 313 Douglas av.
Phillips Ezekiel B. time keeper, residence 12 N. Crystal
Phillips John W. truckman, residence 117 Bridge
Phillips Scott K. livery, boarding and sale stable 136 and 138
Railway av. residence 34 Hendee
Phillips William F. wks. watch fcty. residence 42 National
Phillips William J. machinist, residence 240 S. State
Pickens John, wks. watch fcty. residence 203 Villa
Pickens Theresa Miss, wks. watch fcty. bds. National House
Pierce Charles, residence 183 N. Gifford
Pierce Elmer, bds. 183 N. Gifford
Pierce Elvira M. widow George, residence 319 Chicago
Pierce Fannie Miss, dressmaker, bds. 183 N. Gifford
Pierce Lizzie Miss, clerk W. Newman, bds. 319 Chicago
Pierce Lyman W. wks. watch fcty. residence 190 Division
Pihl Adolph, engineer National House, residence 155 S. Gifford
Pilfold Jennie F. widow Thomas A. residence 300 N. State
Pinckney Etta Miss, wks. watch fcty. residence 73 S. Chapel
Pinckney Laura Miss, wks. watch fcty. bds. 73 S. Chapel
Pingree — Mrs. residence 210 DuPage
Pingree Hannah Miss, wks. watch fcty. bds. 210 DuPage
Pitchers Richard, teamster residence 95 Ettner av.
Pitkin Walker S. wks. Cook's pub. house, residence 108 S. State
Pitts E. wks. shoe fcty. residence 461 Prospect
Pixley H. Walter, wks. watch fcty. residence 33 N. Liberty
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Plant Anna, widow John, residence 83 Hill
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satisfaction. Drop into his shop when needing your next pair, and secure what everybody desires but what few of us secure, a nice pair of easy fitting boots.

SMILES & SON, Practical Merchant Tailors.

The gentlemen comprising this firm are classed amongst the oldest settlers of the city, and among the artistic merchant tailors of the West. They have been located here since 1852, and have recently established themselves on the west side of Fountain Square. They are devoted *strictly* to the merchant tailoring business, and it will be seen that attending to this alone, and being practical men, of life long experience that their facilities must be equal to any similar establishment. When we say that William Smailes, Jr., is the manager of the business and cutter it will prove to our citizens that at Smailes & Son the most artistic garments will be secured. Many of our best dressed citizens have been and are being clothed by the Messrs. Smailes, whose reputation in this business ranks among the foremost of the West, and is far ahead of many claiming more but doing less. They have the order for furnishing the whole of the uniforms for the Elgin Guards, which in their general get up goes to prove them masters of the art of the merchant tailoring business. The Messrs. Smailes are classed among our reputable and leading citizens, and with this reputation and their vast experience the public may go to them with perfect confidence for their custom clothing especially since the genial and efficient Capt. Smailes is the manager and cutter.

WEIGHTMAN & PLANT, Grocers.

At 53 Chicago street may be found the above-named gentlemen, conducting one of the leading grocery houses of the city. Although they have but recently embarked in business for themselves, yet they are well known to our citizens, each having lived in this vicinity a number of years. Mr. Walter S. Weightman was for four years with Grote & Ettner, having had some ten years' experience at this business, while Thomas W. Plant has resided in this city and Hanover, Cook county, all his life. They are not simply *known*, but are recognized as being honorable, upright young gentlemen worthy of the most liberal patronage for their integrity and obliging attention to customers. Their facilities for securing the best of goods at the lowest prices are equal to older houses, and with Mr. Weightman's large experience in the business and their personal acquaintances and friends, will no doubt secure ere long a very large trade, especially if we judge of the future by their past few months' sales. A general

SPROWLES & MORROW, PHARMACISTS.

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Legge E D, bds 110 Channing cor Park.

Lehman August, brickmaker, res 185 River.

× Lehman Chas, wks wch fac, res 168 Grove ave.

Lehman Edward, carpenter, res 218 River.

Lehman Fred, wks wch fac, res 168 Grove ave.

Lehman Henry, carpenter, res 224 River.

Lehman Joseph, carpenter, res 9 Ann.

Lehman Paul, carpenter, res 142 Brook.

Leiseberg August, clk (Richmann & Bro) res 11 Center.

Leiseberg Henry, blacksmith, res 281 River.

Leisberg Louise, domestic, bds 192 Spring.

Leisberg Mary Mrs wid Henry, res 282 Chicago.

× Lemk John, section man C & N W Ry, res 109 Moseley.

Lemvig Martin, wks wch fac, res 258 Raymond.

Lenenberg Emma Miss, wks Natl house, bds same.

Leonard Agnes Miss, operator Chicago Telephone Exchange, bds 117 Center.

Leonardson A V Rev, pastor Free Methodist church, res 24 Warwick.

Leonardson Martha, bds 24 Walwick.

Lesenden Ephram, gardener, res 328 Railway ave.

Lesselyung Carrie Miss, wks dining room Natl house, bds same.

Lesselyung Mary Miss, wks wch fac, bds Natl house.

Lester Richard, wks wch fac, res 98 Grace.

Letewski Ferdinand, bds 45 Brook.

× **LETHIN BROS** (Swan and Matthew,) merchant tailors, P O blk. (See advt top front cover.)

Lethin Frank, tailor (Hemmens & Jones) bds 334 Plum.

LETHIN MATTHEW (Lethin Bros) P O blk, res 80 Railway ave.

× Lethin Ole, tailor (Hemmens & Jones,) res 334 Plum.

LETHIN SWAN (Lethin Bros) P O blk, res 76 Railway ave.

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AT THE WEST SIDE

TOILET and FANCY

IN CITY DIRECTORY

I Alliger, r 221 Ann
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 Crescent Laundry Co, r 124 Railway ave
 Agent for California wines, 2 Bridge,
 Douglas ave
 18 and 20 Douglas ave
 Moseley & Co, r 142 Franklin
 ing, h 346 Plum
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 kpr Singer Mufg Co, r 346 Plum
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 & H Co, h 286 Seneca
 ach & Co), h 58 S Jackson
 W Leach), grocers 11 River
 nurse, r 28 N Gifford
 C & N W R R, bds Kimball House
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ELGIN CITY DIRECTORY

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Lee Sing, Chinese laundry, 10 Chicago
 Lefevre Joseph H, E W F, h 117 Yarwood
 Legate Edwin, E W F, r 120 DuPage
 Legg Erastus D (Legg & Son), h 100 Grace
 Legg J Arthur (Legg & Son), r 100 Grace
 Legg & Son (Erastus D and J Arthur), gardeners, 100 Grace
 Lehman August, lab, h 185 River
 Lehman A F, E W F
 Lehman Charles jr, clk, r 168 Grove ave
 Lehman Charles W, clk, r 168 Grove ave
 Lehman Edward, carp, h 218 River
 Lehman Emilie Miss, L S F, r 185 River
 Lehman Fred, E S & H Co, r 45 Brook
 Lehman Henry P, carp, h 224 River
 Lehman Herman, r 168 Grove ave
 Lehman Joseph, carp, h 9 Ann
 Lehman Paul, h 142 Brook
 Lehman Siegfried, harnessmkr, h 45 Brook
 Leibers Edward, baker F Traub, bds Washington House
 Leidler Joseph F, E W F, h 58 Russell
 Leidy Edwin E, cigarmkr, 3 Hazel blk
 Leip John, blksmith, Philip Long, r Augusta ave
 Leiseberg August G, clk Richmann & Bro, r 460 Chicago
 Leiseberg Henry, blksmith, h 103 Plum
 Leiseberg Mary, wid Henry, r 282 Chicago
Leitner Bros (Edward and Henry), meat market, 51
 Chicago
Leitner Edward (Leitner Bros), r 44 DuPage
Leitner Henry (Leitner Bros), r Commercial House
 Lemvig Martin, E W F, h 244 Griswold
 Lendstrom Eric, E W F, r 196 Ashland ave
 Lennon Ella, dom Joseph Keller
 Lennon Maggie Miss, E W F, r 98 S Channing
 Leonard Agnes Miss, opr Chicago Tel Co, r 125 DuPage
 Leonard James, carriage painter, r 165 Grove ave
 Lepien Augustus, attendant I N H I
 Lersch Tillie Miss, E W F, r 83 Raymond
 LeSeuere Frank, mach, h 351 Railway ave
 Leshner Joseph, teaming, h 100 Jewett
 Lessenden Alonzo, r 263 Center
 Lessenden Ephraim, r 36 Villa
 Lester Mary, wid Marshall, h Villa, nr Wright ave
 Lester Richard, E W F, h 110 Grace
 Lester Wilbur J, driver Am Exp Co, r 62 N Spring
 Lester Wm H, E W F, r 110 Grace

There was
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ELGIN'S GREAT SHOWING FOR 1904.

About a Million Dollars Expended for
Buildings, Street Improvements
and Artesian Wells.

THE WATCH COMPANY LAYS OUT BIGGEST AMOUNT.

Factories, Hospitals, Business Blocks and Residences Erected
— Outline of a Very Prosperous Year
In This City.

Residences	\$300,000
Elgin National Watch Co.	235,000
Street improvements	59,054
St. Joseph's hospital	45,000
Elgin high school addition (contracts) ..	45,000
Sherman hospital addition	30,000
Reservoirs, shaft and tunnels (artesian) ..	25,444
Y. W. C. A. contract for building	25,000
Charles Pierce, flat building	30,000
Repairs, alterations and minor buildings ..	30,260
Elgin American Gas Co.	16,000
Brethren Publishing Co.	15,000
Elgin Butter Tub Co.	15,000
Park improvements	14,000
Traction company	20,000
Seybold Reed-Pipe Organ Co.	10,000
Northwestern Railway Co., (retaining wall) ..	10,000
Asylum	10,000
Leitner Bros. block	10,000
E. W. Ziegler, flat building	9,000
Y. M. C. A. remodeling Star W. C. factory ..	7,500
Schmitz's store building, National street ..	6,000
Gahlbeck store building, Walnut avenue ..	6,000
Stickling block	6,000
Mrs. Blackmore, flats, North street	5,000
Bickmore flats, DuPage street	5,000
Lithotype company, brick building	4,500
Town block, remodeling Union National bank corner ..	4,000
Total	\$997,758

Figures show that improvements in Elgin during the past year represent an expenditure of about \$1,000,000.

The Elgin National Watch company's new north factory wing means an investment of \$200,000, while two brick buildings in the rear, one of them a store house, are being erected at a cost of \$35,000. After the entire factory is finished according to plans, \$1,000,000 will have been expended.

Schmidt Brothers have been erecting a big butter tub factory in the south part of the city near the old brick yard site, fifteen thousand dollars having been expended there this year.

Frank Dougherty, Geneva street, \$2,700.
Ferdinand Behrens, Bellevue avenue, \$1,800.
A. H. Sprout, College street, \$3,000.
J. W. Gunderson, North avenue, \$2,500.
Grant Woertz, South Liberty street, frame house, \$1,800.
Henry Washer, N. Jackson street, \$1,200.
Fred Wahl, Orchard street, \$2,100.
Oscar Fabrique, east front finish house, Park street, \$5,000.
Henry Ackemann, N. Center street, \$1,200.

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male citizens to enter. They have for three years and held in the reserve for another. In this respect the country is the same as Germany. Even the attempt to have a natural aptitude for military discipline. It is hardly make a comparison of Japanese and American soldiers. Equipment is about as good as ours.

But they have a much different getting at things than we have. One thing that the Japs would make different soldiers than the American. In our army every man is a general and knows how to take care of himself. I have an idea their discipline is better than ours. If they would conduct themselves in a more orderly manner in battle, or they would accomplish as much as the Americans is an entirely different question.

When I entered some of the harbors to get an idea of the fortification I found these to be well built. At Nagasaki I could see that the harbor was well protected and that it did take clever maneuvering for a ship to enter under fire. One thing which helped the Japs in the present war is their modern navy. I have heard that they used practically their large Chinese indemnity in building ships. As soon as they got the money it was invested in a navy. The result of this move is quite evident. The Russian Navy Crippled.

It looks to me now as though Japan has bottled up the Russian fleet. Any Russian naval forces are badly crippled. The first move shows that Japan is up against the energetic little fellows and when it comes out to do a thing they get busy about it right away. I am all that I can learn of the land in the Russians are at a disadvantage by being so far from their bases. They won't be able to do much upon their railroad. They are bound to interfere with that or later. Now that the naval stations are closed, Japan seems to have gained a decided advantage.

China is a mountainous country. It is an advantage for Japan. The Japanese are reputed to be good when they are on horseback. I understand they aren't worth much when they are on foot. It is the opposite with the Japanese. They are best on foot. If the last battle in the hills I am confident Japan will give a good account of

suppose that Russia could wear out in a long war. They have great resources and could stand the longer. Japan has a fine army and country, but because of the smallness of its territory its resources are relatively limited.

TERS IN DISPLAY

LARGE BUILDINGS ARE PLANNED

This Year Promises to Be Busy for One in Elgin

LEITNER BROS. TO IMPROVE CHICAGO STREET CORNER.

Schmidt Bros. Will Build Large Part of \$50,000 Structure at Rox River Switch During Coming Summer—Plans Have Been Completed.

Despite the fact that 1904 is a presidential year and it is commonly supposed that no heavy commercial enterprises will be launched during the next ten months, building activity in Elgin promises to be apparent as soon as the spring weather will permit of operations.

Builders will find upon investigation that prices of materials have showed a gradual decrease since last year. In some directions values have shown a decline of fully thirty per cent, while in other directions the decreases in cost is less than five per cent in comparison with that of last year. Prospective builders who were in the field last year but who were frightened by the high prices of materials will not be confronted by this problem during the coming summer.

Already the effect of this lowering of prices has been apparent among Elgin architects. Unanimously they state that orders for plans have been placed with great freedom since the first of the year. It is known that the usual number of residents are to be constructed this summer. Several business buildings are also in prospect and at least two large structures will be begun as soon as the weather will permit.

Leitner Bros., retail meat dealers at the corner of Chicago and Spring

F. S. ORTON DEAD

Pastor Away After a Year of Illness.

After a severe illness of over a year F. S. Orton died at his residence, No. 351 Chicago street, Feb. 18th, of catarrh of the bladder.

Mr. Orton was born in New Haven, Oswego county, N. Y., on April 12, 1833, and moved to Belvidere with his parents, when, but thirteen years of age. The family settled in Belvidere, but Mr. Orton afterwards came to Elgin and it was here that he met Miss Martha E. Smith whom he finally married on April 20, 1854. For 28 years he was engaged in business here with D. F. Barclay, in the hardware business, and later started the firm known as Orton, Moore & Smith, in which he remained until his failing health forced him to retire.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Martha Orton, and one daughter, Mrs. Frank Moore, aside from two sisters, Mrs. Emma Dickson, of El Paso, Texas, and Mrs. D. C. French, of Rockford, and one brother, M. M. Orton, of Sycamore.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at the house at 1:30, and 2:00 at the First Methodist church.

F. P. Shepherd.

After a long and severe illness lasting since the first of November, Frank P. Shepherd, of South Elgin, died at his home about 3:50 a. m. Feb. 13th. Mr. Shepherd was taken ill last fall and since the first of November has not left his house.

Frank P. Shepherd, was born at Buffalo Grove, Ill., in April 1841. His education was secured in the district and public schools and he was under age when the civil war broke out. He enlisted in the union army and served from April 19, 1861, till June 30, 1865, seeing, as may well be supposed, much of warfare during those years covering the entire period of the struggle. His first business was in the hardware line, and he has always followed that or one akin to it, having for years manufactured an improved milk can, aerator, etc., in Elgin, although his residence is in South Elgin. He is a member of

ODD FELLOWS PREPARE TO

Lodges Unite in Planning Structure

COMMITTEES ARE NAMED RANGE DET.

Site on Chicago Street Suggested as a Possible Lodges Are Interested Which is of Importance

According to the plan the local Odd Fellows will operations on the erecting to be owned by the pendent Order of Odd Fellows is composed of six lodges, the Encampment, Althea, Canton Columbia, and lodge, Daughters of Ladies' auxiliary.

Committees from all of ready been appointed decide upon some local building.

One Site Suggested

It is reported on reliable authority that the land between the store and the Misses Encampment on Chicago street has been under consideration for a purchase of be made. The lodge is located on the top floor block.

Those interested in building are reticent in giving information.

A meeting of the Daughters of the Encampment was held Monday. The committee appointed on the matter was unable to do so at a later date.

SHOT AT CHICAGO

Axel Estergreen, of Chicago, Two Shots After Firing

Finding a man in the his chicken house on Thursday last week, Axel Estergreen fired two shots at the second the thief ran for. Estergreen believes that took effect.

Hearing a noise in his about 10 o'clock, Estergreen his clothes and went to the



any size and description
 tion last week Friday af-
 evening at the First Congre-
 church in the Sunday school.
 The picture show and sale open-
 3 o'clock in the afternoon and
 ed until after 9 o'clock in the
 and during the entire time
 were many admirers.

those who were able to examine
 ly the various designs will real-
 large amount of talent in the
 people of Elgin and probably for
 time to come another array such
 shown last evening will not be
 ere. Over one hundred bright
 original posters were suspended
 the room and in the adjacent
 were as many bearing advertise-
 Prices ranged from one cent as
 a \$4 for the creations of art and
 closing hour but few remained

with an announcement card made
 each dial on green background
 the prize posters and to the side
 the prizes. Miss Edith Steadman
 won the best one, a Gibson head
 in black and white and as a reward was
 the painting by Miss Florence
 which was the best one done in
 and white. Miss Violet Moore
 won a view of the Portland Har-
 Miss Kate Dunne for the best
 done in colors. Miss Ethelyn
 secured honorable mention. For
 the original, Miss Maude Whimple
 won a sketch by L. H. Yarwood.
 Doe also received honorable men-
 or a study in black and white as
 as Malissa Davidson.
 sales were made rapidly and the
 for the benefit of the physio-
 department of the Y. W. C. A. will
 ge.

HOLIDAYS AND FEAST DAYS.

Following table of the holidays
 fast days of the year, with other
 of public observance, and the days
 week on which they occur in 1904.
 prove of interest:

January 17—Ash Wednesday.
 January 22—Washington's birthday.
 February 17—St. Patrick's day, Thurs-

March 1—April Fool's day, Friday.
 March 3—Easter Sunday.
 March 29—Arbor day, Friday.
 April 30—Decoration day, Monday.
 May 4—Independence day, Monday.
 May 5—Labor day, Monday.
 May 30—Fallowen day, Sunday.
 May 31—All Saints' day, Monday.
 June 3—Presidential election
 Tuesday.
 November 24—Thanksgiving day,
 lay.
 November 25—Christmas, Sunday.

streets, are preparing for the erection
 of a modern two story business build-
 ing for use as a market. The present
 building is said to be nearly sixty years
 old and it is known that the present
 foundation is badly in need of repairs.
 Instead of attempting to remodel the
 building Leister Bros. will tear it down
 and erect the new structure.

Architects have already prepared
 sketches for the new building. These
 have not been accepted by the firm and
 it is possible that full details of the plans
 will not be settled until the latter part
 of the month. It is known, however,
 that the new building will cost about
 \$7,000 and will be thoroughly modern in
 design.

Schmidt Bros. Factory.

Schmidt Bros., proprietors of the El-
 gins Butter Tub company, are also plan-
 ning extensive operations in the vicini-
 ty of their present warehouse near the
 Fox river switch. Two years ago the
 company engaged Architect Apell to
 prepare plans for an immense new fac-
 tory building and power house. The
 entire building is to cost nearly \$50,000
 and when completed will be one of the
 most modern of factory buildings in the
 city of Elgin. Foundations were con-
 structed last year but the superstruc-
 ture was not begun.

One of the proprietors asserted posi-
 tively today that his firm will build at
 least a portion of the new factory dur-
 ing the present year. According to
 present plans about one quarter of the
 originally planned factory will be erected.
 The power house will also be neces-
 sary, and the entire improvements
 projected for this year will involve the
 expenditure of about \$15,000.

Inasmuch as the company now has
 a considerable sum of money invested
 in the present factory at North State
 and Washington streets, it has been
 deemed inadvisable to move the entire
 plant to the new location unless the
 downtown property can be leased or
 sold. For this reason only one depart-
 ment will be removed to the new build-
 ing.

While the company is satisfied that a
 part of the new building will be erected
 this spring, it is also probable that the
 entire may be built before the close of
 the season. As soon as the firm can
 make a disposition of its present fac-
 tory buildings, the entire new factory
 will be completed.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets.
 Druggists refund money if it fails to
 cure. E. W. Grove's signature on box. 25

Veteran Post, No. 49, G. A. R., the
 Modern Woodmen of America, and
 Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Mr. Shepherd never ceased to love
 the service in which he enlisted and his
 last request was that he should be bur-
 ied in the uniform he wore as a former
 commander in the Elgin post of veter-
 ans, wrapped in the flag of his country.
 He leaves besides his widow, formerly
 Miss Kathryn Starr, three daughters,
 Mrs. F. Rowland, of Chicago and Stella
 and Marion living at home in South
 Elgin.

The funeral was held Monday at
 2 o'clock from the M. E. church of South
 Elgin under the auspices of the Elgin
 post of the G. A. R. Rev. Briggs officiated.
 Burial at South Elgin.

Mrs. M. D. Christiansen.

Mrs. Maria Dorethea Christiansen
 died at the home of her parents on Riv-
 er street Feb. 12th at 10:45. She was
 38 years of age, and was born in Dietz-
 buell, Germany. She has lived in Illi-
 nois for about twenty-one years. Be-
 sides her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H.
 Anderson, and her husband, Edward
 C. Anderson Christiansen, she leaves to
 mourn her loss five brothers and one
 sister, all of Elgin.

The funeral was held Wednesday
 afternoon at 1 o'clock from the house,
 No. 511 River street, and 2 o'clock from
 the United Evangelical church.

DR. SENN NOT TO GO.

Dr. Nicholas Senn, one of the organ-
 izers of the Japanese Red Cross society,
 who offered his services to the mikado
 recently, received reply from Tokio yester-
 day. The answer was sent by Baron
 Hashimoto, one of the leaders of the
 society and formerly surgeon general
 of the mikado's army. The cablegram
 was in French, and a liberal translation
 of it follows:

"We regret greatly that we do not
 have the power to accept your proffer."

Dr. Senn said the reply to his cable
 was probably held back until the Red
 Cross organization had met and acted
 formally on the offer.

"I am not surprised at the answer,"
 said the surgeon last night, "because I
 am aware that the Japanese Red Cross
 society is one of the best in the world,
 and is able to take care of all wounded
 for many months to come."

Dr. Senn said he has had at least 500
 tenders of services from physicians and
 nurses. He said he would have a short
 article in the Journal of the American
 Medical association this morning ex-
 plaining the situation to these appli-
 cants.

the fellow in conversation
 rifle in his hand the chick
 demanded to know what
 ed, but the thief started
 green shot twice at the
 the second shot the man
 flew.

From the man's cloth-
 green is confident that
 thief's identity. It is
 will issue a warrant for
 rest in the near future.

DEATH OF MRS.

Early Settler of Elgin
 Sunday Evening

Mrs. Barbara Haase
 of the late John Rebhan
 home, No. 253 Lovell
 evening, after only three
 Mrs. Rebhan was 73 years
 was born in Robinsdorf
 came to Elgin 43 years
 know as one of the oldest
 tlers.

She was many years
 the St. Joseph's church
 leaves one son, John
 Elgin.

The funeral will be held
 at 9 a. m. from the
 o'clock from St. Joseph



CZAR NIC

Despite the fact that
 czar is fond of war ma-
 shins.

A DISPUTED WAR POINT

(Original.)

Two war veterans were sitting over a bottle talking about their campaigns. "Do you remember the day we moved out of Murfreesboro, Tenn., in the summer of '63?" asked one, Dargan by name.

"Perfectly," replied his comrade, Enfield.

"I was then lieutenant in the —th infantry and on staff duty."

"And I a captain in the —th cavalry, commanding the general's escort."

"I was with Thomas' corps on the right. We moved a day ahead of you fellows in the center and left, you know, and swung across your front to the eastward. Well, the night before you moved we had got to a point in front and south of you. My general sent me up to Murfreesboro with dispatches for the army commander. It was a murky night, and I was obliged to ride ten or fifteen miles, though I had been in the saddle since 3 o'clock in the morning. I reached Rosecrans' headquarters—in a house—at midnight. Orders had been issued for the center left to move in the morning, and the members of the staff and other officers were in a big room chatting and laughing and singing. They would not have sung so loud if they could have been ahead—Chickamauga and being pont up in Chattanooga. I waited till I was sent for to go into the private room, where I found plenty more in attendance on the commander in chief, while officers were coming and going every minute. I was handed an envelope containing a reply to my general's queries and was about to depart when I caught the commander's eye.

"No one would ever take you for a soldier," he said. "You'll do. Go ahead."

"I couldn't very well understand what he meant, but as he told me to go I made no inquiries. Why, no one would take me for a soldier?"

"Well, now, this is very singular," Enfield interrupted. "The general said that to me."

"You?"

"Yes."

"What had you to do with it?"

"I have told you I commanded the general's escort. He had just ordered me to take ten men and carry an order through to Sheridan, whose division was somewhere down in the front, and as I went out he looked at me and said: 'No one would ever take you for a soldier. You'll do. Go ahead.' I confess I never understood why he didn't think I looked soldierly."

"Why, Enfield, you're crazy. I was looking the general straight in the eye when he spoke, and he couldn't have said the words to any one else."

"Now, Dargan, if he spoke them to you what's your explanation of them?"

"I don't know. Perhaps he meant that though I didn't look soldierly I

PLANS FOR NEW BUILDING

LEITNER BROS. WILL SPEND \$12,000 ON CHICAGO STREET MARKET.

Work of Moving Present Structure Will Begin April 1.

Plans are now being drawn by D. E. Postle, architect, for one of the finest markets in the state. The building will belong to Leitner Bros., and will be erected on the ground now occupied by the firm at the corner of Chicago and Spring streets.

The work of removing the present stone structure will probably be begun about the first of April and according to the contract the building will be completed within sixty days after the carpenters begin. The walls will be constructed so that at some future date a third story may be added to the second floor.

The building will be 24x62 feet, with the first floor in mosaic for the meat market; the second floor will be office rooms. The second story will be finished with quarter sawed white oak.

The ice chests and other accessories will be built in the walls and according to present expectations the basement will be used for the manufacture of sausage.

The entire cost of the project has been estimated at \$12,000. Smith & Wilkening have the contract for the carpenter work.

OLD BUILDINGS MAY BE RAZED

Twenty Structures Said to Be Listed as Unsafe.

City officials are planning a crusade against Elgin's antiquated buildings which have stood for many years without repair and which are not only unsafe for service, but are unsanitary and unfit for occupancy. It is predicted that as a result of their work nearly a score of structures will be condemned and the owners will be ordered to raze them.

The city building inspector will take direct charge of the work and under his direction will be employed several competent inspectors. This decision was reached as a result of the report made by the chief of the fire department and the building inspector during their recent review of city buildings to discover what terms should be contained in the new building ordinance.

Twenty Listed.

Unofficial reports place the number of buildings deemed to be unsafe at twenty. Many of these are already known to the public. Others show little indication of decay, except on the interior. The coming inspection promises to be

THE TRUE TEST

TRIED IN ELGIN, IT HAS STOOD THE TEST.

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We will give one hundred dollars to any charitable institution for a tooth we fail to extract without pain.

Best Rubber Plate	\$3.00
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Gold Filling	\$1.00 up.
Silver Fillings500 up.
Cleaning Teeth Free	
Painless Extraction (free when tooth are ordered)500

We employ none but skilled operators in our offices.

Our plates always fit. If yours is loose bring it in and have the teeth reset.

BUILDERS ARE BUSY OLD TESTAMENT STUDIES

ELGIN HAS A REMARKABLE SEASON IN CONSTRUCTIVE WORK.

Pleasant Homes Are Erected in All Parts of City.

With money in the bank, and more coming, architects and contractors are regarding the season about over with great satisfaction. It has without a doubt been one of the most active years in the building line that Elgin has seen for some time, and as a result many fine new residences have been erected to add to the beauty of the city. Cold weather has had no effect on the operations, many buildings being now in course of construction and others will be started as soon as contractors are ready to begin the work.

People in general have shown a disposition this year to put more money into houses than ever before. While there has been no radical departure from former styles, and nothing elaborate has been attempted, buildings have been more substantially constructed and have been more richly finished. More money has been spent on the interior work in most of the new houses than ever before, hard woods being much preferred.

Architects as a rule do not care to talk at any great length about their business, and when they are asked how business is, the answer is generally "Nothing doing." It is seldom that one of them is found at leisure, however, and very few are found on the books of the supervisor. Much of their reticence is due to the fact that their clients prefer not to have their plans made public until they have been carried out.

Among the residences now in course of construction and nearly completed may be mentioned the following: Bickmore flats, DuPage street, two stories and basement, \$5,000. Eberlein's residence on Grace street, \$4,000. Fred Wenzel, brick cottage, Wing street, \$3,000. D. A. Chamberlin, Douglas avenue, \$4,500. H. F. Foster, College place, \$3,500.

The new watch factory building is probably the largest that will be built in Elgin for some years, and is one of the largest in the city. The Leitner block, now about finished, is another attractive structure, which will add greatly to the good appearance of the downtown district.

Everything considered, this is without a doubt the best season Elgin has ever seen, and it is said that next year will eclipse even this. It is almost impossible to rent a suitable house and many are forced to build for that reason. Scarce houses are said to be a sign of prosperity and, if it is true, Elgin is surely prosperous.

IS NOW "MAJOR" WELD.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON, OCTOBER 30.

2 Kings 6:8-23; Elisha at Dothan.

By Rev. J. S. Kirtley, D.D.

THE CONNECTION.

Elisha was not a doctrinaire preacher of dreary platitudes, but a practical patriot, who used all his natural and supernatural gifts to protect and perfect his nation. He was a lookout committee against foreign invasion and domestic iniquity. Benhadad, King of Syria, is now their aggressive enemy. He has seemingly forgotten that Israel once came to his aid and helped him repel the Assyrians and that a great Israelitish prophet had cured his great general, Naaman, of leprosy. He is seeking by wily strategy to lead the King of Israel into fatal ambush, but Elisha is on the watchout and defeats him every time. Now the king is in a high state of excitement over it.

THE LESSON:

I.

Elisha protects Israel. 8-12. "Now the King of Syria warred against Israel; and he took counsel with his servants, saying, In such and such a place shall be my camp. And the man of God sent unto the King of Israel, saying, Beware that thou pass not such a place; for thither the Syrians are coming down. And the King of Israel sept to the place which the man of God told him, and warned him of; and he saved himself there, not once nor twice. And the heart of the King of Syria was sore troubled for this thing; and he called his servants, and said unto them, Will ye not shew me which of us is for the King of Israel? And one of his servants said, Nay, my Lord, O King; but Elisha, the prophet that is in Israel, telleth the King of Israel the words that thou speakest in thy bedchamber."

1. The Syrian King's plan.

His purpose was to capture the King of Israel himself and thereby subjugate the nation. He would set his "camp" in some place where Jehoram was coming and spring on him from ambush. The plan was shrewd, was approved by his officers and will surely succeed.

2. His plan failed.

He set the trap, but failed to catch his prey. There was one difficulty in the way and that was the prophet Elisha. It is really strange that he knew nothing of Elisha and yet not strange for kings, full of selfish plans and bent on selfish enjoyments, do not usually care to hear of such troublesome persons and rumors of their deeds do not often penetrate the walls of palaces. The people knew about Elisha, but the king did not, or at least thought nothing of him. The question arises, how could Naaman, the Syrian general, go to war with Elisha's people? Possibly he had died, or was no longer in command of the army. Every time the Syrian king selected a place for ambush and bade his army "camp" or hide themselves there, as the word seems to mean, the men waited in

so ignorant? The vicious are all foolish. The legs of the lame are equal. Evidently he thought that Elisha was protected by the arm of Israel or by his God, for he so great host to capture him, taking the precaution to find him exactly at Dothan. And folly of the King, shows that the army he sent against Elisha required so many as that to him, then he could not be taken by a sized army. If Elisha could a man's thought as far off as Damascus, he would know the moment arrived, though under the cover of blackest night. The King thinks he is the revealer of his secret with an irresistible army, and thus in position during the night so as ready when day came. King did many a person does now—he could to a supernatural wisdom would not be so wise in his own and he confessed to a divine power that was omnipotent up to a certain point, till it came in contact with own power.

2. Elisha's calm faith.

It is shown in his going up to sentinel duty at Dothan, in the place for the enemy might come against him any time. It is at when the young man who attended him was almost dead with fear, seeing the Syrian hosts around city. The source of his calm was his faith in God and knowledge that between the city and the enemy were the invisible, yet and mighty, hosts of God. It is in the kindly, quiet way he tried the young man's fears. He did try to argue or laugh them away simply asked the Lord to show the invisible hosts. "Expert in life, ambush and scouting," he unmoved and had the eye of faith see. His calmness is further shown in his going out in the midst of enemy.

III.

His wise treatment of them.

"And when they came down to Elisha prayed unto Jehovah, and smite this people, I pray thee, blindness according to the word Elisha, and Elisha said unto them, This is not the way, neither is the city; follow me and I will bring you to the man whom ye seek. he led them to Samaria. And it came to pass when they came into Samaria that Elisha said unto Jehovah, open the eyes of these men that they may see. And Jehovah opened their eyes and they saw; behold, they were in the midst of Samaria. And the King of Israel said unto Elisha when he saw them, Father shall I smite them? shall I smite them? And he answered, I shall not smite them; wouldst thou smite those whom thou hast captured with thy sword and with bow? set bread and water before them that they may eat and drink and go to their master. And he prepared great provision for them, when they had eaten and drunk, he sent them away, and they went to their master. And the bands of Syria came no more into the lands of

an incentive to win and no wrong in trying for a bit of ribbon or inexpensive trinket, there is harm in playing cards for costly prizes. He related the incident of the boy who could see no moral difference between himself playing poker for \$5 a corner and his mother playing progressive whist and winning a \$10 lamp. Mr. Morgan suggested that while card playing is an innocent amusement in the home, it may lead to wrong doing and sin. The young people should be taught the evil possibilities and allowed to think for themselves. Dancing is entirely wrong in public places where the dresses are "too long at the bottom and too short at the top." It may be proper for the young people to enjoy his pastime under proper surroundings, but there is the utmost danger in the public ball room. Golf is a fine game, but it may be played to excess and the good qualities of the amusement lost. Books are a source of recreation to many, but there should be the most careful discrimination in the selection of books for the young. Bad novels lead to misery and sin.

In all amusements there must be a just regard for personal liberty, but above all there must be the Christian spirit.

COMPANY E ELECTION

WM. M. DODDS IS CHOSEN CAPTAIN BY LARGE VOTE.

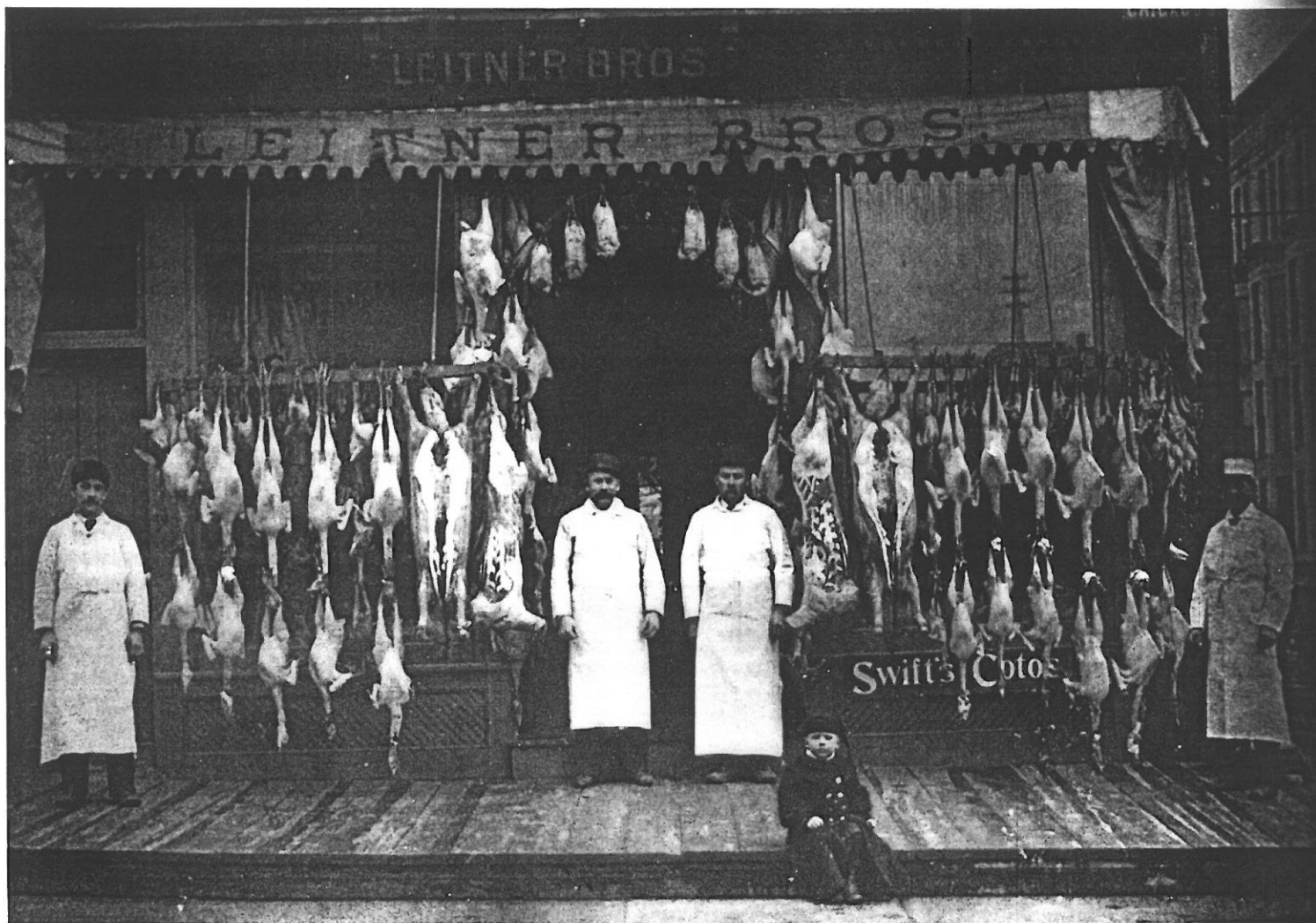
Sergeant Fish Is Promoted to Second Lieutenantcy.

By a vote of the members of Company E at the armory Monday, Second Lieutenant Wm. M. Dodds was elected captain, to take the place of George E. Louck, promoted. First Sergeant Edward Fish was elected to the vacancy caused by the election of Dodds. The result of the balloting was a surprise to many, as it was thought that Dodds could have a hard time defeating First Lieutenant McDowell, but he showed unexpected strength on the first ballot. The vote was thirty-two to twenty-four. Lieutenant McDowell took his defeat gracefully and was the first to congratulate Lieutenant Dodds on his election.

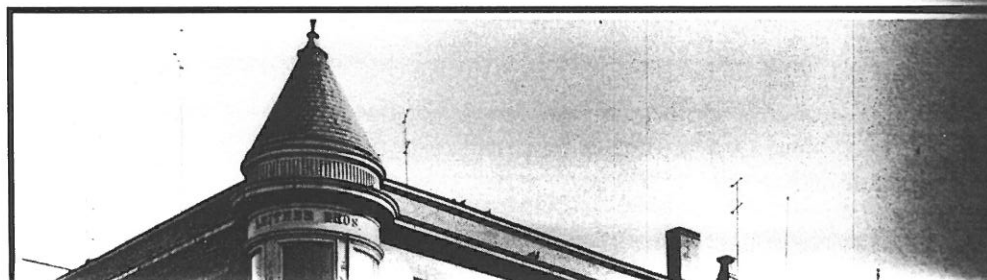
Sergeant Fish received thirty votes or second lieutenant out of a total of fifty-six. Private Allan Thompson getting eighteen, and the remainder being scattered among several others. Sergeant Fish thanked the members of the company for the honor they had bestowed upon him, and then Lieutenant Colonel Caughey, who presided at the election, gave the boys some good advice. He described the bickerings and petty quarrels which are always apt to be the result of an election of this kind. The officer advised the members to drop all her questions and work for the good of the company.

Before the election the company was assembled in the drill hall, where they

From Old Elgin: A Pictorial History, E.C. Acft



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In 1904 the Leitners erected a three-story brick building on their lot. At the right of the picture is Stewart's Hall, once known as the Academy of Music. It was completed in 1888. Both buildings are still standing.



During the year 1902 the post located in the Hawkins building northeast corner DuPage Street Grove Avenue was razed the construction Woolworth store

Elgin City Directory

HISTORY OF ELGIN.

1875-76
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THE MERCHANTS OF ELGIN.

BY WM. G. RICHARD.

The first attempt to supply the mercantile wants of the people of Elgin and vicinity, was made by a Mr. Storrs, in 1836 or 1837, who opened a small store in the building now occupied by J. B. Newcomb on Center street. He was succeeded in the same building by V. S. Lovell, John S. Calvert, Wm. C. Kimball and others.

Mr. Kimball brought on his first general stock of merchandise about 1838, and soon after removed to his new store on the west side of the river, which is still standing directly north of Lasher's hotel, and continued his mercantile business until 1838. In 1847 he built the stone mill on the west side of the river; in 1852 the Waverly house, and in 1872 his late residence, all of them monuments of his enterprise.

A new, and for that time extensive, store was opened about 1838 by S. N. Dexter, of Whitesboro, N. Y., and B. W. Raymond, of Chicago, under the firm of B. W. Raymond & Co. It was under the direction of Harvey Raymond (a brother of G. B.), who died instantly in the store in 1842. The building occupied by this firm was on the southwest corner of DuPage and Center streets, being the house which still stands on that corner. In the fall of 1842 they removed to their new brick store on Chicago street, now occupied by Stewart Brothers as a bakery, where they remained until they closed business in 1851.

In the early days of Elgin, most of the firms kept general assortments, consisting of dry goods, groceries, crockery, hardware, boots and shoes, drugs and medicines, etc., etc., but within a few years after its settlement, they commenced making specialties of certain classes. Some of the principal merchants in the several departments, since 1843, have been as follows:

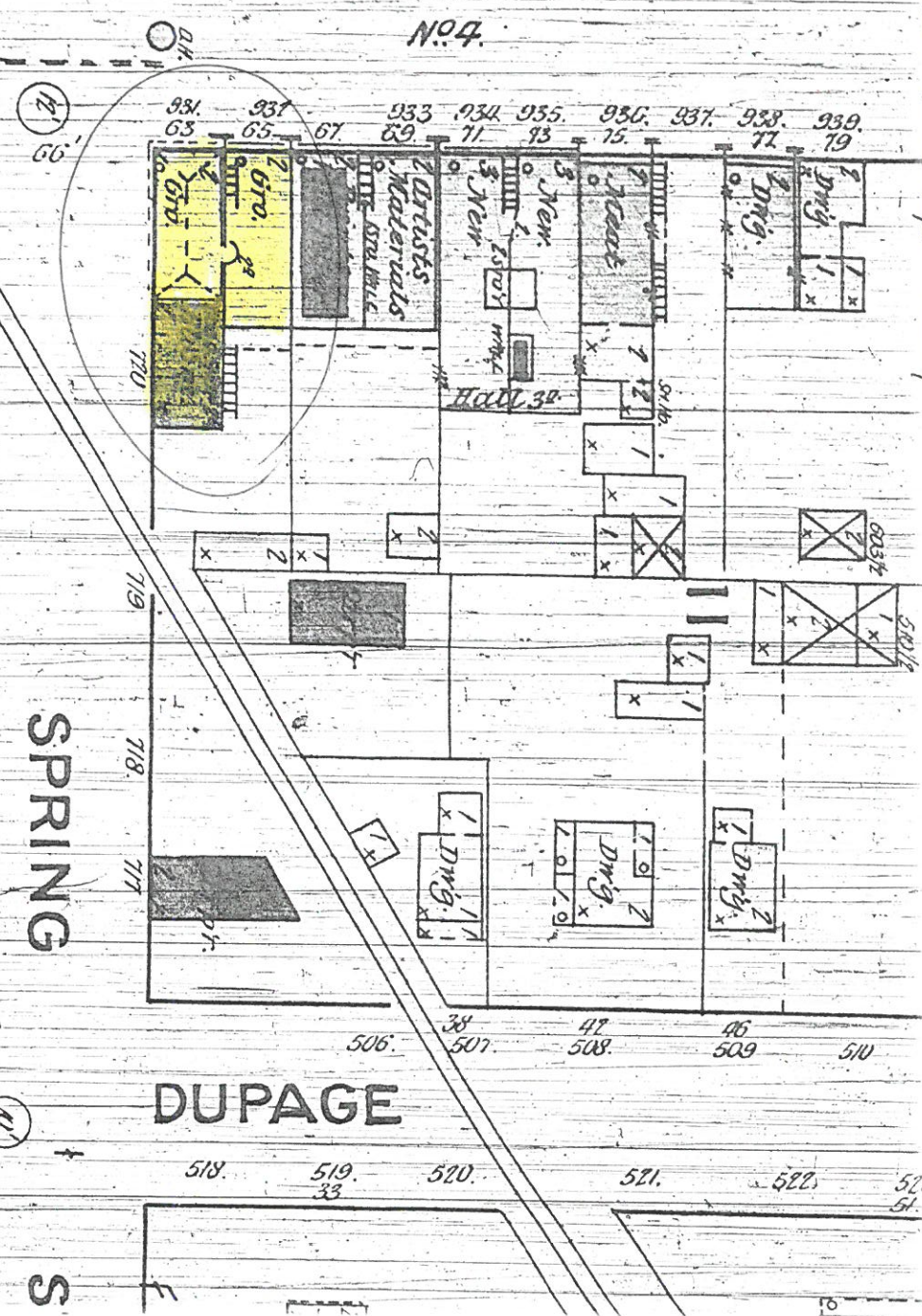
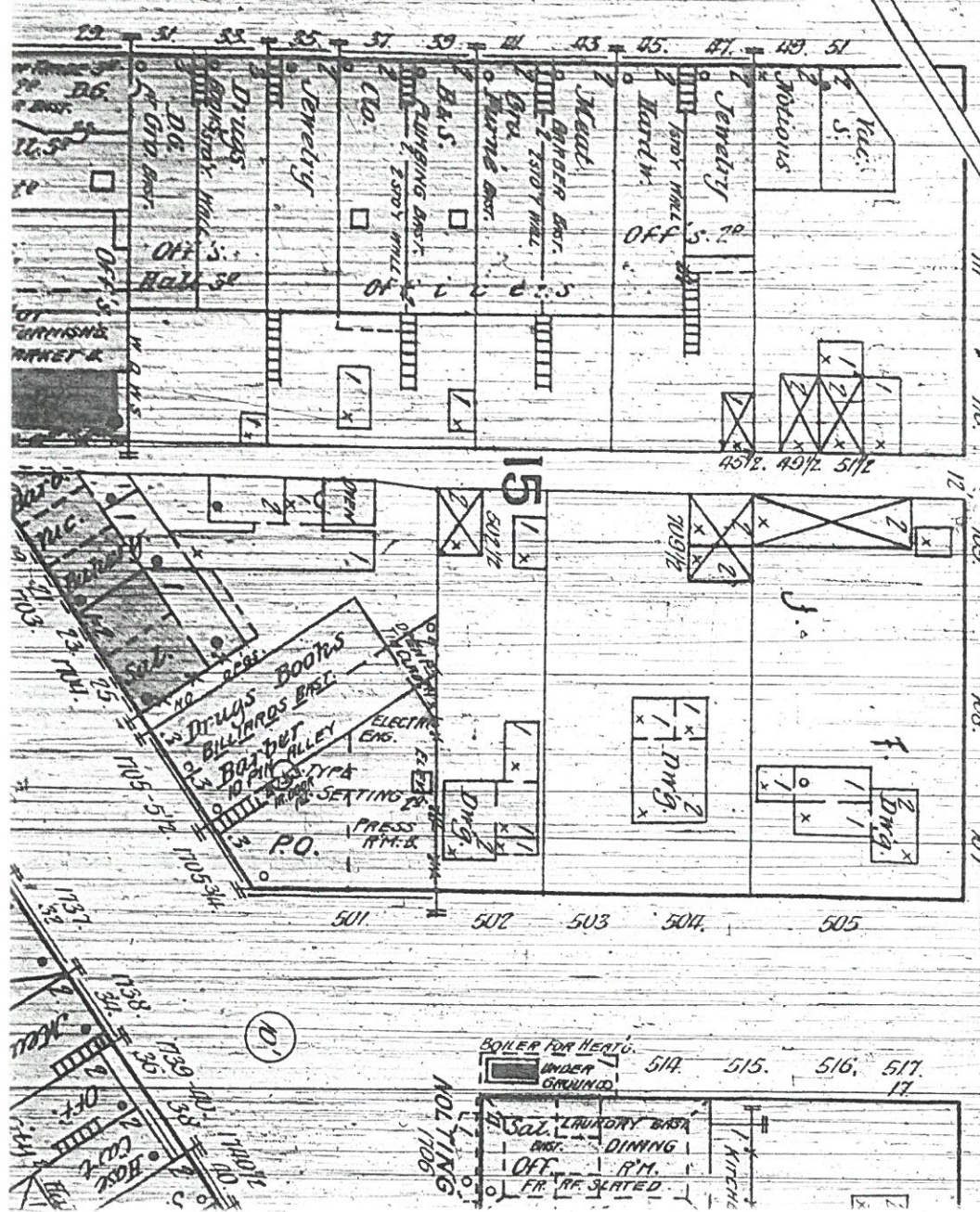
Demarens Clark & Co. commenced about 1844, in a small building which stood on the now vacant lot on Chicago street, owned by L. H. Yurwood. They afterwards moved to Hubbard's corner, and then to the south side of the street, where they continued business until about 1854.

About 1846 Dr. Erasmus Tofft erected the building now occupied by the Star Market, on the south side of Chicago street, where he sold goods for several years. On closing business here he removed to Clintonville, and subsequently to Topeka, Kansas, where he still resides.

Cornell & Wilder commenced business in 1850 in Mehan's building, near the City hotel; removed in 1852 to a wooden building, which stood where Bruckman's block now is, and afterward, until 1861, sold dry goods in one of the blocks on the south side of Chicago street, part of the time in connection with F. L. McClure. They are now in the furniture business on Market Square.

Sanborn map 1887

CHICAGO SHEET



SPRING

DUPAGE

MISCELLANEOUS DEED RECORD

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THIS INDENTURE, Made this eighteenth day of August A.D. 1904, between Louis N. Seaman, of the City of Elgin, in the County of Kane and State of Illinois, party of the first part, and Edward A. Leitner and Henry C. Leitner, of the City of Elgin, in the County of Kane and State of Illinois, party of the Second part:

WITNESSETH, That whereas, Edward C. Lovell, late of the city of Elgin, in the County of Kane and State of Illinois, deceased, in his lifetime, made and executed his last Will and Testament, bearing date the fourth day of April, A. D., 1901, whereby among other things, he constituted and appointed the said Louis N. Seaman Executor of his said last will and Testament and did hereby empower the said Executor "to sell and convey real and personal property" belonging to the said Testator at the time of his death, "without order of court, at public or private sale, as he might think proper, and whether such sales may be required for the payment of debts or not," which Will was properly authenticated to pass real estate, and which Will was duly proven and ordered admitted to probate and record by the County Court of said Kane County on the 4th day of February, A. D. 1902.

NOW, THEREFORE, The said party of the first part, by virtue of the power and authority to him given in and by the said last Will and Testament, and for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration to him in hand paid by the said parties of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, does hereby Convey and Quit Claim unto the said parties of the second part, their heirs and assigns forever, all that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Kane and State of Illinois described as follows, to-wit:

A Part of Lot Five (5) in Block Eleven (11) of the Original Town of Elgin, Kane County, Illinois, as laid out by James T. Gifford, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the East line of Spring Street which is forty-eight (48) feet and seven (7) inches South of the North West corner of said Lot Five (5); thence Easterly parallel with the North line of said lot, twenty-three (23) feet; thence South parallel with the West line of said Lot, four (4) feet and six (6) inches to the North Wall of the building on said lot known as "The Academy of Music"; thence Westerly parallel with the North line of said Lot, twenty-three (23) feet to the West line of said lot and the East line of Spring Street; thence Northerly on the Easterly line of Spring Street four (4) feet and six (6) inches to the place of beginning.

Hereby conveying the estate, right, title, interest, claim and demand which the said Edward C. Lovell, testator, had at the time of his death in and to the said premises; as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes in law, as he the said party of the first part might, could or ought to sell and convey the same, by virtue of the said last Will and Testament above referred to.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said party of the first part as Executor of the last Will and Testament of the said Edward C. Lovell, deceased, has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Louis N. Seaman (seal)
Executor of the last Will and
Testament of Edward C. Lovell.

State of Illinois }
County of Kane. }

BOOK 554

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MISCELLANEOUS DEED RECORD

T. T. Wing
Notarial Seal
Kane County, Illinois.

T. T. W. :

Notary Public.

No. 125972.

Filed for record this 14th day of August, A. D. 1912, at 8 o'clock A. M.

Frank E. George,

Recorder.

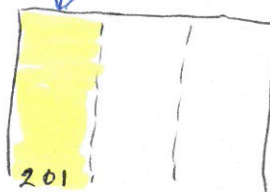
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This Indenture, Made this 15th day of December in the year of our Lord One
 Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Two (1892) BETWEEN Edgar W. Hamley and Esther C. Hamley
 his wife
 of the village of Rundel in the County of Chane and State of Illinois
 party of the first part, and Edmund A. Leitmair and Henry C. Leitmair
 of the City of Elgin in the County of Chane and State of Illinois
 party of the second part.

WITNESSETH, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of
nine thousand (9000⁰⁰) Dollars, in hand paid by the said party of the second part
 the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the said party of the second part forever released and discharged therefrom, have granted, bargained,
 sold, remised, released, conveyed, aliened and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, convey, alien and confirm
 unto the said party of the second part, and to their heirs and assigns FOREVER, all the following described lot, pieces or parcels of land,
 situated in the County of Kane and State of Illinois, and known and described as follows, to-wit:

A part of lot number five (5) in block number eleven (11) of the Original Town of Elgin Chane County Illinois as laid out
 by James B. Hifford bounded and described as follows to-wit: Beginning at the north west corner of said lot five
 (5) thence running east on the south line of Chicago street twenty three (23) feet thence south at right angles
 to Chicago street and parallel with the west line of said lot five (5) sixty (60) feet and four (4) inches thence
 east parallel with the north line of said lot five (5) twenty three (23) feet to the west line of lot five (5) and the
 east line of Spring street thence north on the said west line of lot five sixty (60) feet and four (4) inches to
 the north west corner of said lot five (5) and place of beginning, excepting however from this conveyance a right
 of way in common over a strip of land four feet wide lying north of the wall of the new building on the
 south 12 feet of said lot and lying in south part of the tract above described extending from the rear of
 the premises conveyed by Mary A. Leitmair & husband to Henry Hamlin to Spring street to be kept open
 free of obstruction for light and air and for a passage way in common for adjoining owners on north,
 south and east sides of said strip of land.



TOGETHER WITH ALL AND SINGULAR the hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the
 reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof and all the estate, right, title, interest, claim, or demand whatso-
 ever, of the said party of the first part, either in law or equity, of, in and to the above bargained premises, with the hereditaments and appurtenances,
 TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said premises above bargained and described, with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part
 their heirs and assigns FOREVER.

And the said Edgar W. Hamley of the
 party of the first part, for himself his heirs, executors and administrators, do covenant, grant, bargain and agree, to
 and with the said party of the second part, their heirs and assigns, that at the time of the enrolling and delivery of these presents, he is
 well seized of the premises above conveyed, as of a good, sure, perfect, absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance in law, in fee simple, and has
 good right, full power and lawful authority to grant, bargain, sell and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid, and that the same are free and
 clear from all former and other grants, bargains, sales, liens, taxes, assessments and encumbrances, of what kind or nature soever; and the above
 bargained premises, in the quiet and peaceable possession of the said party of the second part, thru he is and assigns, against all and every
 other person or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the whole or any part thereof, the said party of the first part, shall and will WARRANT AND
 FOREVER DEFEND.

And the said party of the first part hereby expressly waive and release any and all right, benefit, privilege, advantage and exemption, under or
 by virtue of any and all Statutes of the State of Illinois, providing for the exemption of homesteads from execution or otherwise.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said party of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

STATE OF ILLINOIS,

COUNTY OF *Champaign*

I, *Robert Schully*
Notary Public

in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that

Edgar D. Hamley and Esther D. Hamley
his wife

personally know me to be the same person *as* whose name *as* and

subscribed to the foregoing instrument appeared before

me this day in person, and acknowledged that *he* signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as *their*

free and voluntary

act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth, including the release and waiver of the right of Homestead,

Given under my hand and *Notarial*

seal, this

1st

day of *December*

A. D. 19*02*

(Notary Seal)

Robert Schully
Notary Public

No. *43132*

Filed for Record this *30th*

day of *Jan*

A. D. *1902* at *10*

o'clock *(P. M.)*

Frank C. George

RECORDER
J. T.

BOOK 602

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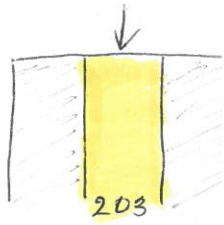
This Indenture Witnesseth, That the Grantor **Lottie Robinson, a widow,**

of the City of Elgin in the County of Kane and State of Illinois
for and in consideration of the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00)
and other good and valuable consideration DOLLARS,
in hand paid, CONVEYS and WARRANTS to

Edward A. Leitner and Mary M. Leitner

of the City of Elgin County of Kane and State of Illinois
the following described Real Estate, to-wit:

Part of Lot number five (5) in Block eleven (11) of the Original Plat of Elgin, as laid out by James T. Gifford, bounded as follows: Beginning on the South line of Chicago Street at a point in the center of the Wall between what was the Stewart Building and Lehman's Building being about forty four (44) feet East of the Northwest corner of said Lot five (5), thence South parallel with the West line of said Lot, sixty (60) feet to the North wall of Stewart's New (in 1889) Building, which fronts on Spring Street, thence West along the line of said wall twenty one (21) feet, thence North parallel with the West line of said Lot, sixty (60) feet to the South line of Chicago Street, thence East along said line twenty one (21) feet to the place of beginning. Also a right of way in common over a strip of land four (4) feet wide lying next North of said wall of Stewart's Building, extending from the rear of above conveyed premises to Spring Street, to be kept open free of obstruction for light and air and for a passage way in common for adjoining owners.



Situated in the City of Elgin in the County of Kane in the State of Illinois, hereby releasing and waiving all rights under and by virtue of the Homestead Exemption Laws of ~~the~~ the State of Illinois. This deed is given and accepted subject to the taxes for the year A.D. 1916 due in A.D. 1917.
Witness my hand and seal,

~~Witness~~ this 15th day of April A. D. 1916.

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Lottie Robinson

(Revenue \$7.50)



STATE OF ILLINOIS }
County of Kane } m.

and residing in Wm. Quade a Notary Public
in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, That

Lottie Robinson, a widow, who is,

personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person, and acknowledged that she signed, sealed and delivered the said instrument as her free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth, including the release and waiver of the right of Homestead.

Given under my hand and Notarial Seal, this 15th day of April A. D. 1916.

Wm. Quade,
Notary Public.

Wm. Quade
Notary Public
Kane Co. Illinois.