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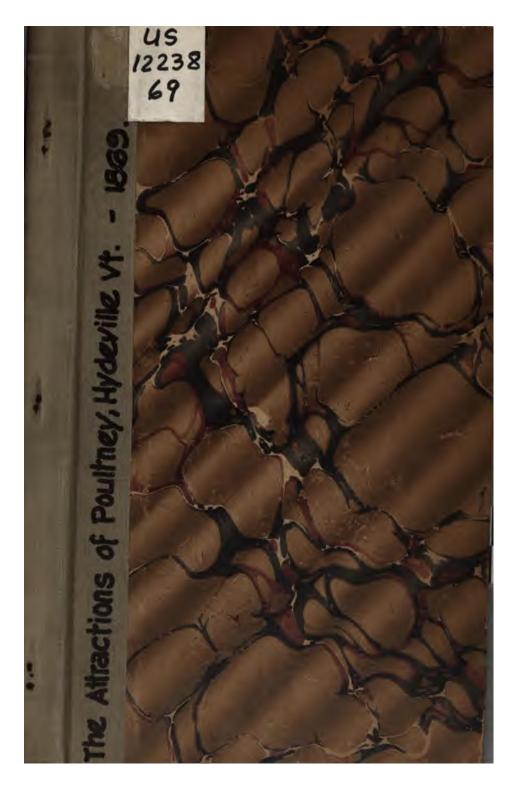
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General Description.

The places particularly described in the following Pages are situated in Rutland County, Vt., and in Washington County, N. Y. swept from Poultney as a center and having a radius of 8 miles would include them all. Through this circle from north to south runs the Rutland and Washington Railroad, while the Whitehall and Rutland Road subtends a considerable arc of its northern half. Through it in a general direction from East to West run the Granville, the Poultney and the Castleton Rivers. The Granville is formed by the union of the Metawee or Pawlet River, the outlet of Lake Austin and Indian River, and flowing in a northwesterly direction through Granville and Whitehall unites with Wood Creek just before its discharge into Lake Champlain. The Poultney takes its rise in the town of Tinmouth and flowing through Middletown and Poultney, becomes the boundary between New York and Vermont until it empties into Lake Champlain a few miles north of Whitehall. The Castleton rises in Pittsford and flowing first south through Rutland and thence east through Castleton and Fair Haven empties into the Poultney a short distance below Fair Haven.-At Hydeville it receives a large accession from the outlet of Lake Bomoseen. These streams furnish almost inconceivable water power throughout their entire course—but it is developed at only a few points. These are Wells, Granville, Middle Granville, North Granville, Middletown, East Poultney, Poultney, Hampton, Low Hampton, Carver's Falls, Castleton, Hydeville and Fair Haven. Poultney, the geographical center of this territory, is 67 miles north from Troy, N. Y., 10 miles east from Whitehall, N. Y., and 18 miles south-west from Rutland, Vt. The surface is most agreeably diversified with Rivers, Lakes, Mountains, Vallies and Plains, and is dotted here and there with thriving villages whose neatly painted cottages and rising spires glitter in the sunlight like diamonds set in a coronet of emerald. Proximity to the Green Mountains -an elevation of 450 feet above tide water-and an entire exemption from miasmatic marshes render the air marvelously pure and dry and as bracing to the debilitated as a cordial. The soil is invariably either gravel or loam. From this there result two important features seldom found so prominent:

1st. The water is pure and soft since it flows through neither clay nor

lime rock. The water from wells and springs will wash nearly as easily as rain water.

2d. The roads are of unsurpassed excellence—being but little inferior in smoothness of surface to a MacAdamized road. A horse may be driven at the top of his speed for miles in every direction, while the man who is fond of natural scenery will find landscapes of entrancing beauty break upon his view at every step.

Seldom are so many elements of health, wealth and pleasure found in combination. The hills are one mass of slate that is quarried in indefinite quantities and manufactured into a great variety of articles both useful and ornamental—such as Roofing, Tile, Flagging, Mantles, Billiard and other Tables, Cyphering Slates, School Room Tablets, &c., &c. The valleys and slopes afford pasturage for numberless herds and flocks. The Lakes, picturesquely beautiful and abounding in Fish, invite the Oarsman & Angler to their favorite sport, while unmeasured power leaping down cascade and cataract invite the enterprise of manufacture to invest its restless capital in activities that will reward it, thirty, sixty and an hundred fold.

POULTNEY

is the point of departure for the celebrated Mineral Springs of Middletown, 8 miles distant, and is not a whit behind the most attractive resorts in this attractive portion of the Green Mountain State. Including East Poultney it contains about 2,000 inhabitants, and has long been noted for its quietness, order and morality.

The various localities which it is interesting to visit are at convenient distances, and the drives to them surpass the power of description. Lake St. Catharine, Lake Bomoseen, The Bowl, The Gorge and Carver's Falls are only far enough away for a pleasant morning ride, while in the immediate neighborhood are points of historic interest and of a national reputation.

Ethan Allen was one of the first settlers of Poultney. It is the native place of Rollin C. Mallory, the author of the Tariff of 1828. Jared Sparks, the Biographer of Washington, learned his trade of Carpenter here, and the house in which the Tribune Philosopher, served a three years' apprenticeship, is still standing at East Poultney.

RIPLEY FEMALE COLLEGE

Formerly Troy Conference Academy, which has, at different times, numbered in its Faculty, Rev. Daniel Curry, D. D., editor of the Christian Advocate, N. Y. Rev. J. T. Peck, D. D., since President of Dickinson College, Pa., now of Albany, Rev. E. Wentworth, D. D., recently Missionary to China, now of Pittsfield, Mass., and Jas. Strong, S.T.D., of Drew Theological Seminary, N. J., is located here.

This Institution deservedly enjoys a high reputation, and gives to the place a widely extended Fame. No more attractive spot can be found and none better adapted to a school for ladies. Those who wish a residence where they can educate their children at a high Institution and, at the same time live in as healthful a region as this world affords and have ready access to Mineral Springs of marvelous efficacy, need not look any further than Poultney.

Summer Resort.—The College is always opened for Summer Boarders during the long vacation in July, August and September. Its cheerful, airy rooms, its extensive grounds, its majestic, classic grove, and its retired, quiet location render it a popular and most desirable Resort. Amongst the inducements to summer visitors is the fact that Middletown water, fresh from the Springs, is furnished gratuitously. Rev. Dr. Foster of New York, spent the Summer of 1868, here, and in a letter published subsequently in the Christian Advocate, says:

"I close as I began, by saying that I know of no place of more picturesque loveliness than these hills of Vermont, and no retreat offering more comfort and restfullness than this home of Dr. Newman at Poultney. Let those who seek good air and pleasant quarters next summer remember this. But we must bid adieu to the beautiful hills and the precious friendships which grew among them, hoping that whether we ever return to the former or not, the latter will be renewed in the realm where partings never come."

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The Poultney House.

The Hotel accommodations of Poultney have been materially increased the present season by the transformation of the Commercial College into "The Poultney House." The building is eligibly situated on the corner of Main and Grove Streets, only a few rods from the Depot. Admirably arranged before, it has been greatly improved by its present Proprietor, Mr. D. B. Bartlett, recently of the Brainard House, at Elmira, N. Y. Thorough repairs—new furniture—elegant appointments—a gentlemanly, discerning landlord—attentive servants and reasonable charges, render this House a most desirable home for either transient or permanent visitors.

Slate Quarries.

The most extensive deposit of Slate in the United States, is in the towns described in this pamphlet. It is now about 20 years since Quarries were opened, and the business has already attained gigantic proportions. Beginning in the north part of the town of Castleton and extending 20 miles south through Fair Haven and Poultney, Vt., Granville and Hebron. N. Y.. and including a belt of territory 2 miles in width, the Quarries are nearly within hailing distance of each other. Slate of the best quality and for all the purposes to which it can be applied is obtained in unlimited quantities.

The Gibson Quarry.—This Quarry is situated 2 miles south east from the Poultney Depot. It was opened in 1866, and about 300 squares of

roofing slate made from it the first season. But in consequence of the death of the lessee, it lay unworked until the autumn of 1868, when it was purchased by the Gibson Slate Company, and put in charge of Mr. W. R. Williams, as Agent, a gentleman of great experience in the Slate Business, both in Wales and in America. The stock obtained from this Quarry seems identical with the Welsh Cyphering Slates & possesses many qualities of great value. Its color is a beautiful unfading purple, which although it may not add anything to the durability of the material, adds greatly to its market value, since slate of this color are thought to make a roof of greatest beauty. Hence they command a higher price than any except the red slate, which do not exist in great quantity and are used chiefly for purposes of ornamentation. The Slate from this Quarry possesses an exceedingly tough fibre which renders it capable of being split very thin without danger to its strength and dura-In consequence of this a given amount of stock will make an unusually large amount of slate, and secure a great saving in the cost. both of quarrying and of transportation. These are the two great items of expense in this business, and therefore these are the points at which to direct efforts for economy. It costs just as much to quarry from its bed a block of refuse as of good stock, one that is 50 per cent. good as one that is 100. All labor saved here is consequently clear profit. In transporting their slate there is also a great saving. If 30 squares of slate of a given thickness are a car load, and the cost of hauling \$30 or \$1 per square, but 35 squares of another thickness will make the same weight, it is evident that the transportation of 5 squares is fully saved. Much of the rock taken from every Quarry is refuse: hence the necessity of advantageous dumping ground.

A deep and broad ravine on one side of the Quarry affords all that can be desired for this purpose, and also enables the company to drain it effectually and economically by means of a syphon. The vein of slate in which the company is now working is 100 feet thick and of indefinite length and depth. The stock is equally well adapted for Roofing Slate, Flagging, Billiard Beds, and all uses to which slate is applied in Marbleizing, and when fully developed the Gibson Quarry must be one of the most valuable in this whole section of country.

The Green Mountain Slate and Tile Co.,—Owns a Quarry one and a half mile south of Poultney. This Quarry was opened in 1867, by private individuals, and about 500 squares of Roofing Slate made from it the first seasion. During the past winter it was purchased by

the present company. Hiram A. Wilson, of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., is President, and A. E. Knapp, of Poultney, Treasurer. The stock from this Quarry is of the very best quality and the color an unfading green. Having but one color and being very straight, smooth and tough, the Slate from this Quarry make a perfectly even, uniform and beautiful roof. The company have put up an engine and are manufacturing also Flagging for Streets and walks. All orders directed to Col. W. H. Knapp, Supt., Poultney, Vt., will receive prompt attention.

Livery Stable.—Those who choose private rather than public conveyance to Middletown, or who wish to make excursions from Poultney to any other point will find at the stable of Mr. Don A. Barker, near the Poultney Depot, any style of turnout which they may desire. No person who has never passed a summer in this part of Vermont can have any adequate conception of the delightful drives with which it abounds, and of the charming scenery presented in every direction. A ride from Poultney through Fair Haven and terminating at Carver's Falls 9 miles distant, will take the tourist through as delightful a valley as the sun shines upon, over a natural road equal to the best product of art and reward him with a romance of scenery scarcely second to Trenton Falls, N.Y. A more varied and longer drive is to Hydeville, thence along the west shore of Lake Bomoseen to West Castleton, and return by the way of Fair Haven. The drive by this route or on the east shore of Lake Bomoseen to Heath's Ferry cannot be surpassed for variety and beauty.

Those who are fond of the picturesque and seek wildness of natural scenery will be fully gratified with a trip along the east shore of Lake St. Catherine to the village of Wells, distant 9 miles. Mr. Barker furnishes conveyances to any of the adjacent places on the shortest notice and most reasonable terms.

THE POULTNEY BULLETIN,—Geo. C. Newman, Publisher—established in March, 1868. It ranks amongst the best country newspapers. A characteristic feature is a weekly Record of some former student of Troy Conference Academy. All kinds of Job Printing are executed at the "Bulletin" office with neatness and despatch.

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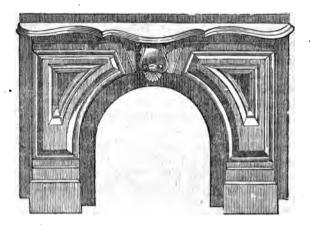
The Union Slate Company—is located and has its works here.

This is one of the most thriving villages in Rutland County—is situated on the Rutland and Whitehall Railroad, nearly midway between the two places, 6 miles north of Poultney, and contains about 2,000 inhabitants. The Castleton River runs through it, and by a succession of rapids furnishes one of the best water powers in this part of the State. Standing on the Green at Fair Haven and looking eastward through a gorge in the Taconic range of mountains, one gets a distinct view of Mt, Killington, the 3d highest peak of the Green Mountains, rising majestically 15 miles distant, and furnishing the background to a landscape worthy the pencil of any Artist. The manufacture of Slate is the principal business of Fair Haven, and it is carried on here as extensively as at any other place.

The facility with which Slate can be manufactured is wonderful. Such has been the mode in which the rocks have been formed in their original beds that they can be split, parallel with their lamination, into slabs of any desirable thinness, and while they are so hard as to resist indefinitely the action of rain and frost, they are yet so soft as to be planed and sawed like wood. The curious will be gratified, the inexperienced instructed and all delighted by a visit to the works of the Union Slate Company.

This company manufactures slate into all the articlessfor which it is used except roofing. Here may be seen all kinds of Furniture Slate—such as Mantels, Shelves, Table Tops, &c., marbleized so as to imitate perfectly the rarest and most costly foreign marbles, and often to deceive even those who would call themselves good judges. Floor Tiling of white marble and dark slate ready to be laid into all varieties of forms; Slate Blackboards for School-Rooms; Billiard Beds of the utmost perfection of finish; Door Sills, Window Caps and Sills; Flagging for Sidewalks, cellar floors, &c., all combining the two elements which taste and utility require, beauty and permanency.

For many reasons marbleized slate is preferable to the marble which it represents. As an exhibition of art it excites admiration. It is much cheaper than marble. Heat does not crumble it. The coating being of Paint and Varnish, it neither retains grease spots, nor is it affected by acids. Persons visiting these works will find Messrs Ketchum & Jones always polite and courteous, and all orders addressed to "The Union Slate Company, Fair Haven, Vt.," will receive prompt attention.



Fair Haven Marble & Marbleized Slate Co., Fair Haven, Rutland County, Vt., (successors to R. Hanger & Co.,) manufacturers and dealers in Marble and Marbleized Slate Work of all descriptions. It is artistically marbleized or enameled in imitation of the most expensive and desirable varieties of Egyptian, Black and Gold, Spanish, Galway, Green, Brocatello, Sienna, Lisbon, Porphyry, Red and Green Pyrenees, Plymouth Black, Verd Antique, and all other rare and desirable marbles, either of Foreign or American production—the resemblance being so perfect that it is often preferred to the real marble. The reason is simple and plain: 1st, Being brought up to a higher and more perfect polish, it is far more ornamental. 2d, Slate will sustain 6 times the vertical pressure of marble. 3d, When well marbleized and perfectly polished it is impervious to stains from oils, acids, coal gas, smoke, &c., in which respect it is unlike marble. 4th, It is not affected by changes of temperature or atmosphere, but is the same at all times and in all climates. 5th, While we may claim for it superior advantages over marble, it is afforded at a much less price. The slate used by this company is from their own Quarries, which are the mostextensive and furnish by far the best slate for manufacturing purposes in the country. Having the largest establishment in the State they are prepared to furnish Mantles, Bracket Shelves, Bureau and Table Tops, Chimney Pieces, Hearths, Pier Slabs, Chess Boards. Blackboards, Floor Tile, Round and Square Lamp Bases, Roofing Slate, Garden Borders, ac-Slate Billiard Table Beds of unsurpassed perfection, also Grates and Fenders of any style at New York prices. Send for Illustrated catalogue.

The Allen Kerosene Oil Safe Co.-Prominent among the numerous branches of manufacturing successfully conducted at Fair Haven, is that of The Allen Kerosene Oil Safe Co. The firm name indicates the kind of goods produced. Mr. E. L. Allen, the inventor of the Safe and the general manager of the business commenced it upon a very limited scale, some six years ago. For some time the trade was confined to near by customers, but the demand rapidly widened, as dealers in and all large consumers of Oils saw their complete adaptability to the purpose Every one who had in any way hanfor which they were designed. dled quantities of Kerosene, was convinced of the impossibility of keeping it from leaking in any vessel in use. Merchants sounded their praises, and the result is that from the insignificant commencement, the business has become a large and growing business. The trade, which was at first local, has extended from Maine to California, and recently a foreign demand is springing up.

When he commenced. Mr. Allen did not anticipate their adoption for any but Kerosene and other volatile oils, but their complete adaptability for these, and with all, their comparative cheapness, very soon induced a call from manufacturers and dealers for the same kind of Safe for holding all kinds of Oils. When Mr. Allen commenced, two sizes with one apartment each, comprised the list. Now the Company are making some twenty-five sizes and patterns with capacity of from forty-five to eight hundred gallons, and with from one to seven apartments. Smaller sizes are largely used by families who buy their kerosene by the barrel, and also by those who use Gasolene for making their own Gas: the larger by merchants and manufacturers. A merchant often adapts a Safe as follows: Kerosene, Raw and Boiled Linseed, Sperm and Machinery Oils, Benzine and Turpentine, a complete attractive and convenient manner of keeping them. The manufacturer usually requires less apartments.

It is often remarked that the locality is not central enough for the successful and cheap distribution of the Safes over so vast a field. A moments reflection will show otherwise. The County of Rutland is one of the largest mining districts in New England. The products are marble and Slate, and of the last named Fair Haven is the trade centre.—These articles are continually forwarded, mostly by rail, all over the North and West, and usually with no change of cars. They are heavy and compact, and a car loaded with either will accommodate as many Safes as though it were empty. The result is, that the Company are enabled to procure very low freights, for an article at once so light and

bulky. Were the Company located at a Commercial Centre like Boston or New York, Safes would be rated when sent as merchandise at many times their actual weight, beside being subject to numerous changes.—Safes are now shipped without change of cars to Boston, New York, New Haven, and the far West—thus insuring safety and dispatch.—Therefore we see, that instead of being disadvantageously located, no other locality in the country could afford better facilities for distribution.

Our space allows us no more room to speak of these safes and of the enterprising Company which manufacture them. Persons desiring fuller information have only to address the Company at Fair Haven, Vermont, or their agencies in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Chicago and St. Louis.

Fare Less Than by Any Other Route.—Cheapest, most pleasant and expeditious line of Fast and Commodious Steamers from Troy and Albany to New York. Fare \$1,50, arriving in New York early next morning, in ample time to take the first cars for Philadelphia and all points south and east. The fast sailing first class steamers, Connecticut, Capt. Furey, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Capt. C. D. Hancox. Leave Troy every evening, (except Saturdays) at 7 p. m., on the arrival of the Troy and Boston Railroad evening train, and leave Albany at 8 p. m., on the arrival of the evening cars of th R. & S. R. R. from Saratoga and the North, awaiting also the arrival of the New York Central and Albany and Susquehanna R. R. evening passenger trains. Fare by the Vanderbilt, to New York, on Sunday evenings, \$2. Hudson River and Harlem Railroad Tickets received on Troy Steamers.

Each of the above steamers is furnished with neat and elegant family state rooms and berths, and are replete with all the comforts and conveniences that can be desired by the traveler. Baggage taken Free to and from the cars and boats at Troy. This route offers special inducements to parties of pleasure, as well as business men, traveling between the north and New York in the heat of summer, by which the monotony of a long railroad ride and the annoyance of dust in crowded and noisy cars are all exchanged for a quiet, pleasant and expeditious steamboat ride. State Rooms reserved when ordered by mail or telegraph, directed to 'Troy Line Steamers, Troy, N.Y.' Baggage checked through to New York. All Freight handled with care and forwarded with safety and dispatch.

Castleton.

This is a beautiful village of about 1,000 inhabitants, and is situated at the junction of the Rutland and Washington and the Rutland and Whitehall Railroads. Its proximity to Lake Bomoseen—its position just at the mouth of the Gorge in the Taconic Mountains, through which runs the Railroad—its localities of charming scenery—its Revolutionary history—the distinguished men who have originated there—its fine residences, &c., have long rendered it a place of considerable resort. Its attractions have been lately greatly increased by William N. Bachelder, Esq., to whose enterprise is due the



Lake Bomoseen House,
BACHELDER & GERMAIN, Proprietors.

Few persons who visit the town of Castleton, Vt., realize how very beautiful its surroundings are, because of the want of local enterprise to direct the visitor readily to points of interest. The situation of the town is in itself picturesque, lying in the lap of the Green Mountains, which rise abruptly on the east, with a rolling country on the west, extending to the Adirondacs. No town in Vermont affords the summer tourist a greater variety of objects of interest and sources of amusement than Castleton.

It contains within its borders Lake Bomoseen, named by the old Wabeniki Indians, after their hereditary chief or Bashaba, Bomoseen. This lake is nine miles long and nearly three miles wide, dotted with islands and surrounded by mountains, the waters clear and cool, and full of fine

fish. Glen Lake, a feeder of Bomoseen, is a smaller sheet of water, but with the picturesque character of Lake George. The Castleton River is a clear and beautiful stream, which rises in the Green Mountains, and gradually winds its way to its junction with Poultney River in Fair Haven, where the two break their way to Lake Champlain, over three falls, the combined descent of which is about 200 feet. These falls resemble in character, and rival in beauty the falls at Trenton.

This river and its tributaries are well stocked with trout. Bird, Herrick and Gilmore mountains east of the town are worthy the admiration of any visitor. Between Bird and Gilmore mountains there is a deep gorge called the Gate, which gives passage to the road and railroad to In Autumn when these mountains are covered with a dress of crimson and gold no landscape could surpass it in beauty. Mountain is a very remarkable reproduction of a lion couchant. Seen from the west at Hydeville or FairHaven the grand outline of the lion's head and profile with his couchant body, his legs drawn up under him, and even the line of his tail as it lays upon his flanks are unmistakable. The roads about Castleton are mostly very good, offering beautiful & agreeable drives, and any seeker after health or pleasure, may start from Castleton as a centre and drive in a new direction for many successive days. each drive carrying him over mountain roads, beside lakes, through rural lanes, fringed with trees and shrubs, and skirting pleasant farms or hamlets.

To enjoy all that nature offers in mountain, lake, river and plain, one must have a pleasant home to start from and return to when weary with pleasure seeking, or the fatigue of boating & riding. This has been long wanting in Castleton and has kept the world from knowing the pleasures of this country village, but the want is now removed.

Mr. Wm. N. Bachelder has built a new and very convenient Hotel, called the Lake Bomoseen House, which contains forty pleasant rooms. Mr. Bachelder means that no one shall stay at his house and find anything to complain of in bed, board or polite treatment. He has good horses and carriages, and his charges are moderate, so there seems no reason left why the public should longer remain ignorant of the beauties of Castleton and its vicinity.

Heath's Ferry and Boat House—are on the east shore of the lake three miles from the outlet. This point commands the broadest and most beautiful view and is the place most resorted to for Pic Nics, Boating, Fishing, &c. Mr. Heath, the Proprietor has been long located here and is well adapted to his business. Courteous, affable, attentive, and keeping constantly on hand good Boats and Skillful Oarsmen, never fails to give the pleasure seeker who visits him a "good time."

The American Slate Pencil Works, J. Adams, Agent, are situated one mile north from Heath's Boat House. As a manufacturing establishment this is one of the most curious and interesting in this region. The machinery is ingenius and unique and turns out pencils at the rate of 100,000 per day. If not the only, it is the principal establishment of its kind in the United States, and to one who seeks either a gratification of curiosity or valuable information it well repays a visit.

Hydeville.

This is a small but important manufacturing village in the town of Castleton and midway between the villages of Castleton and Fairhaven. It is situated at the outlet of Lake Bomoseen and on the Rutland and Whitehall Railroad, and hence possesses uncommon business facilities. Lake Bomoseen is nine miles long by two broad, and has as tributaries Glen Lake and the chain of Lakes extending through the town of Hub-At Hydeville they all discharge themselves into Castleton River, with a descent of about fifty feet in a distance of a With such Reservoirs back of it there is here an quarter of a mile. abundance of power, in the dryest season, to carry all the machinery now in operation, and still an inconceivable amount is constantly running to waste. When the eye of enterprise that has capital at its command shall have discovered the vast resource of power that is treasured up here at a point so accessible, and where both stone and lumber for building to an unlimited extent are waiting to be used, Hydeville must speedily become one of the most important manufacturing places in the whole country.

During the year 1868, there were shipped from the Station at Hydeville 21,000,000 lbs., or 1200 car loads of Slate and Marble. Add to this the amount of other freight received and shipped, and an approximate idea can be formed of the extensive business done at this point.

Hydeville Company's Mill.—In 1844, Messrs A. W. & P.W. Hyde with a keen discernment of the possibilities that here lay waiting the touch of genius, established a mill for the manufacture of marble. This

is still in successful operation, and the business constantly increasing.—
It is situated so near the railroad track that a single Derrick lifts blocks
from the cars and deposits them at the door and loads cars from the mill
with the same facility.

Forest Mining and Slate Company.—The Messrs A. W. & P. W. Hyde were amongst the first to introduce the process of marbleizing slate, and have done much to develop this truly wonderful and valuable art. They are the agents of this company, and besides their other enterprises are extensively engaged in the business of manufacturing all kinds of Furniture Slate, such as Mantles, Table Tops, Bureau Tops, Shelves, &c. &c. The development of the natural resources of this part of Vermont has been due to the enterprise and generosity of the Messrs Hyde, as much as to any other men. They were chiefly instrumental in securing the Rutland and Whitehall Railroad and have engraven their names indelibly on the public improvements of their Town as pioneers.

E. A. Billings' Mill.—In 1855, Mr. E. A. Billings, of Troy, N. Y., leased a mill of the Messrs Hyde and commenced the business of manufacturing slate. He has enlarged his works, putting in from time to time improved machinery, until now he has \$10,000 worth of the most approved kinds. At this mill he only prepares the Slate for the process of marbleizing. It is then transported to Troy where it is finished up. His products consist of Mantles, Table and Bureau Tops, Shelves, Chess Boards, Columns, Pedestals, &c. Billiard Beds, Roofing Slate and Floor Tiling are finished at the mill in Hydeville.

His finishing mill in Troy, is at the corner of Hutton and North 3d Streets, where all the above articles can be seen in their best style. Mr. Billings has recently opened a Quarry near Hydeville, from which he is getting some of the handsomest stock in the market, and the prospect is that his Quarry will prove to be one of great value.

Sherman, Adams, Langdon & Co.—This is the title of a firm at Hydeville, engaged in the manufacture of Marble. The blocks are obtained from the Quarries at West Rutland and are brought to the mill by Railroad. The mill of this company is also on the outlet of Lake Bomoseen and is most favorably situated with reference to the Railroad—being able by a short side track to run cars directly upon their mill yard. This company is of more recent origin than the "Hydeville Co." but being composed of men of capital, energy and enterprise, has become well established and is doing a prosperous business. Mr. J. S.

Freeman is the Superintendent of this mill and receives orders for all kinds of manufactured marble.

The Lake House.—This was formerly called the 'Hydeville Hotel.' It has recently been leased by Mr. D. L. Dawley, who has made thorough repairs by re-plastering, re-papering, re-painting, and in short renewing it altogether, so that there is scarcely a trace of the old Hotel to be seen. Mr. Dawley has put in new and modern Furniture and introduced modern conveniences, so that the Lake House is not only comfortable but elegant, and the visitor will find all that he can reasonably desire. Being situated within 40 rods of the depot, and not more than that from the foot of the lake, it will under the efficient management of its gentlemanly Proprietor, Mr. Dawley, be more than ever before a favorite resort. Parties of pleasure will find at the "Lake House" attention that will anticipate every want and a Table that will satisfy every demand of the appetite—while those who seek fishing and boating will be supplied with all necessary appliances.

E. D. Billings' Store.—The thrift of Hydeville may also be judged of by the amount of business done at a single unpretending store.—Mr. E. D. Billings sold in 1868, Dry Goods & Groceries to the amount of \$75,000. This is not much when compared to the millions of dollars worth sold by some mammoth houses in the cities, but when we remember that Hydeville is a small country village and that there are other stores in the place, a retail business of \$75,000 is no insignificant thing.

Wiswell & Son.,—Station Agents, are also manufacturers of what are known as Evergreen and Purple Roofing Slate from their several Quarries, and are agents for the Evergreen and Kidder Slate Quarries.

The Western Vermont Slate Co., -H. E. Cook, Superintendent, &

The West Castleton R. R. and Slate Co.,—S. L. Hazard, Superintendent, are situated north of Hydeville, and on the West shore of Lake Bomoseen.

J. C. WILSON, Over the Drug Store in Poultney,

Does all kinds of Cabinet Work in the best style, at the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms. Pictures framed in any style.

EAGLE SLATE COMPANY.—The Quarries of this Company are situated in the north part of the town of Poultney, and four miles from the village. They were first opened about 20 years ago and were known After they became the property of the preas Goldsmith's Quarries. sent company they received the name of the Eagle Slate Quarries .--They have been most extensively worked of any in the State, and quite A visit to them would astonish anybody. as successfully. mal which we call earth to have its very heart taken out? one instinctively exclaims. If there be a heart in the earth its throbbings must be distinctly felt from the bottom of these quarries. There is an opening fully forty rods north and south in the direction of the vein, six or more rods east and west, and not less than 100 feet deep. Then following the dip of the strata which is about 30 degrees east—several immense caverns have been opened—tunnels perhaps they should be called—extending in some 300 feet. From these tunnels the largest and best blocks are taken. It has been supposed that the deepest mining in Vermont was in the marble Quarries at West Rutland, but the Eagle Quarries far surpass them.

No one who visits this region should fail to see the Eagle Slate Quarries, not only to behold the extent of the mine, but also to witness the manufacture of exquisite articles of Roofing Slate, Black Board and Billiard Tables, from such shapeless masses.

These celebrated Quarries (the largest in Vermont) have produced during the past year, from 12,000 to 15,000 squares of purple and green roofing slate. The company have recently erected a large slate mill, and put in new and improved machinery, for the manufacture of Billiard Beds, Mantle Stock, Tiling, Black Boards, &c. Leading Billiard manufacturers have pronounced the Billiard Beds superior to any heretofore used by them, for firmness of texture, superiority of finish, &c.—There can be no doubt but that the reputation established for their roofing slate will be fully maintained in this new branch of their business.

Although the Quarries are situated in the town of Poultney, the P.O. address of the Company is Hydeville, Vt. Messrs J. Sutcliff and L.B. Goss, are the Agents at the Quarries, and always take great pleasure in showing visitors through the works and exhibiting the different processes in the manufacture of Slate. At the Eagle Quarry may be seen what has not as yet been introduced into any other Slate Quarry, viz: A "stone cutter" operated by a steam engine and doing the work of many men in quarrying the blocks from their bed.

Wells.

This is the name both of the Township and the village which is situated at the outlet of Lake St. Catherine and nine miles southeast from Poultney. Its romantic location, excellent and unfailing water power, the superb roads and delightful drives in its vicinity together with the most picturesque Lake in Vermont are its principal attractions. Lake is six miles in length and of a width varying from a few rods to a mile. It abounds with Perch, Pickerel and Bass and has for years been a favorite resort for sportsmen and pleasure seekers. The mountains rising abruptly on the east side but more gently on the west—the road running close upon the beach and under overhanging cliffs—the shimmer of the water as glimpses of it are caught through openings amongst the trees upon its bank and the varied landscape views that ever and anon break upon the traveler, force every one to acknowledge that Lake St. Catherine deserves to be called one of the most picturesque in Vermont and to rival those of Scotland and Switzerland. A visit to Poultney is incomplete without a ride to Lake St. Catharine and a sail on its glassy bosom.

Middletown.

This hitherto retired, beautiful, unpretending little village, quietly nestled down amongst the mountains, has suddenly gained a national reputation. The discovery of Mineral Springs here in 1868, whose waters possess almost miraculous medicinal properties has thrust Middletown prominently before the Public. It is situated on the Poultney River 8 miles south east from the Poultney Station of the Rutland and Washington Railroad. If the highest wisdom were delegated to select a spot at which to develop the remedial forces of nature and to establish a universal Hospital no better one could be found than Middletown.

The Valley Hotel—at Middletown, is kept by T. G. Hoyt, who will be remembered by all who spent the summers of 1867-8, at Poultney, as the Proprietor of the Livery Stable. Mr. Hoyt is attentive, affable, kind and faithful, and all who visit M., will find that to the extent of his ability he will do everything necessary for their accommodation and comfort. The capacity of the Hotel has been increased somewhat in anticipation of visitors the present season, and will be enlarged to meet the demand. The best fare is not always found at the largest and works.

pretentious houses. Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt give their own personal supervision to their business and consequently give to the Valley Hotel many of the characteristics of a private Boarding House.

Stages.—On arriving at Poultney, the traveler, whose destination is Middletown, will ask what is the conveyance? Mr. Alonzo Gates, the Stage Proprietor, will be found at the Depot ready to answer. New and comfortable coaches, good horses, careful drivers, a superb road following the meanderings of the Poultney River, now turning abruptly to the right to round the base of one mountain and now to the left to round that of another, and on either hand scenery of unsurpassed loveliness will beguile the tourist at every step, and render the ride one of refreshing instead of weariness.

Middletown Healing Springs.

Middletown Healing Springs, Middletown, Vt., Grays & Clark, Proprietors. These Springs which were known to exist previous to 1811, when they were covered with earth by a memorable freshet, were re-opened in June, 1868, by another freshet of unusual volume. They have already become celebrated for their remarkable cures, and promise a notoriety for this section of our State never before enjoyed by us. The pleasant little village of Middletown is very attractive to the invalid, and measures are being taken to erect additional Hotels, and Bathing Houses to invite also the attention of the summer traveller. Nestled among the green hills, the location is not only beautiful and quiet but healthy, and the wonderful efficacy of the Healing Waters will make it particularly desirable as a family resort.

ENDORSEMENT OF DR. NEWMAN.

The great reputation which these waters have attained has been acquired solely by cures, many of which are astonishing, and can be attested by the best citizens of our neighborhood.

The Proprietors, Messrs. Grays & Clark, have hundreds of certificates of cures and testimonials of Physicians, and have published a neat pamphlet for gratuitous distribution. We know many of the persons who recommend the waters, and are familiar with their cases, and know their statements to be true. The Physicians in this section, old residents and well known here, are enthusiastic in their praises. Neither they nor we can afford to associate our names with an imposture.

We have selected a few testimonials and publish them herewith; they could be multiplied almost indefinitely.

GENERAL DEBILITY.

[From the Rutland Herald, January 9th, 1869.]

MIDDLETOWN HEALING SPRINGS.

Editors Rutland Herald—Allow me in the interest of the public to recommend the use of these waters to the invalid, whether suffering from chronic or acute disease.

My wife, a confirmed invalid of many years, despite the skill of the medical faculty, near and remote, celebrated and obscure, almost discouraged by the constantly increasing complications and new forms of disease, has at last abandoned other treatment, and by a trial of a few weeks of this healing fountain is now rapidly recovering renewed vigor and healthful enjoyment.

ISRAEL MUNSON.

Wallingford, Jan. 4th, 1869.

CONSUMPTION.

For three years past I have had an obstinate Bronchial and Pulmonary trouble, accompanied with distressing cough, which for more than two years confined me almost entirely to the house. Commenced using the Middletown Healing Spring water the last of July, 1868, and since then, have been slowly but constantly improving, in health and strength—with strong and increasing hope of entire recovery: for all of which I am mainly indebted to the Spring.

P. M. Harrington,

Middletown, Vt.

EPILEPTIC FITS.

Middletown, Vt., March 13, 1869.

My mother-in-law, Mrs. T. O. Gibson, of Rutland, Vt., aged 53 years, has been subject to Epileptic Fits for over eleven years, averaging as often as one weekly, and sometimes three or four in one week. About the First of January last she commenced drinking the Middletown Healing Spring Water, using from both No. 3 Spring and No. 1 Spring. Since taking the water she has taken no other medicine, has had no fits or signs of any return of them, considers herself more benefited by the use of this water than by any other remedy which she has ever used, and is apparently cured.

H. P. Kinsman.

LIVER COMPLAINT.

Brandon, Vt., March 13, 1869.

For more than eleven years I have been troubled with Liver complaint and Kidney disease, and for the past year and a half I have been so unwell that I have been unable to perform any business, and was given up by my physician, and told I must die. My urine was of a verv dark color-black, and weakened me very much. About six weeks ago I commenced drinking the Middletown Healing Spring Water, from Spring No. 1, and have drank it constantly since, using no other medicine, and have already gained twenty pounds in flesh, and my urine has assumed its proper color. I have gained rapidly in strength, and am now attending to my business without inconvenience. Am very much benefitted and believe the water will entirely cure me. I cheerfully recommend the water to those similarly affected. L. A. DURANT.

DIABETES.

I have been afflicted with Diabetes for the last twelve or fourteen years. About six months since I commenced using the Middletown Healing Spring Water. The disease has left me, and to all appearance I am entirely cured, and give credit for the cure to the water.

March 17, 1869. EZBON PRINDLE.

INFLAMMATORY RHEUMATISM.

Mrs. Lyman Atwater, of Middletown, Vt., had been confined for five years, with Inflammatory Rheumatism, unable to walk without crutches, and at times unable to rise from her chair without assistance. After using the Middletown Healing Spring Water two months, she laid aside her crutches, and now is able to perform her ordinary domestic duties.

DYSPEPSIA.

[Thaddeus Goodspeed, Pawlet, Vt., aged 85.]

Had Dyspepsia of long standing and confined to his room, reduced very low, was literally starving to death. Has been using the water of the Middletown Healng Springs about three months; has now a good appetite, is gaining flesh, and able to do a man's work every day.

ARTICULATION RESTORED.

Hebron, N. Y., March 20, 1869.

My age is sixty-five years. About eighteen months ago I had a severe cold which deprived me of the power of articulation. For more

than a year I could not speak louder than a whisper. I consulted many physicians, and tried various remedies, including electricity, but without apparent benefit. I then tried the Middletown Healing Spring Water. My health improved at once, and after using it five weeks, my speech was entirely restored.

NANCY SMITH.

CHRONIC UTERINE HEMORRHAGE.

Hebron, N. Y., March 20, 1869.

My wife has been sick for three years with Chronic Uterine Hemorrhage, occasioned by ulcers. She has consulted many physicians, and used various remedies without any particular benefit. Since November last she has used the Middletown Healing Spring Water, and now calls herself entirely well.

George T. Morris.

CATARRH.

Pawlet, Vt., February 1st, 1869.

Messrs Grays & Clark: In answer to your inquiry in regard to the use of the Middletown Healing Spring Water, I will inform you briefly—that I have been afflicted with Catarrh for nearly six years. The disease gradually increased, impairing strength and health, and producing a discharge, the odor of which was not only annoying and sickening to myself, but offensive to those with whom I had intercourse. Since September last I have been using the water, except at short intervals. I have continually improved, and now consider myself cured.

Yours Respectfully,

HORACE CLARK.

CANCER.

Troy, N. Y., March 10, 1869.

Messrs Grays & Clark—Gents: I have a cancer of about eight years growth, covering one breast entire, which was very painful and covered with hard spots. The breast was very much enlarged, and my arm swollen to the elbow. My general health was much impaired, and I suffered severely from a kidney difficulty. This was my condition about ten weeks ago, when I commenced using the Middletown Healing Spring Water. My physician advised me not to use the water. I continued its use however, and four weeks afterwards the swelling was entirely gone from my arm. My breast was free from pain, and the hard spots had disappeared. I was entirely relieved from my kidney difficulty, and my general health was much improved. But sickness came into my family, and with care, labor, and lack of rest, I neglected the use of the

water, and was put back several weeks. But since I have gained more than I have lost, and my health is now good, my cancer is not entirely cured, but the prospect is it will be. I now do my own housework without inconvenience. I have taken no other remedies since commencing the use of the water.

Yours truly,

MRS. HENRY DAVIS.

No. 49 North Fourth Street, Troy, N. Y.

ABSCESS.

I, Isaac A. Morse, of Sherburne, in the County of Rutland, and State of Vermont, say, that about two years ago I had a sore come on the side of my face, which was examined by several eminent physicians who told me that it was an abscess, forming on the cheek bone. painful, and for a long time it was with difficulty that I could eat, and I was obliged many times to open my jaws with my fingers to get food into my mouth. The sore became much swollen, first broke on the inside, then on the outside of my mouth, and became a running sore for eigh-My physicians told me there teen months, and constantly grew worse. was no help for me, but about the first of November last my brother was at Middletown on business, and brought home for me a jug of the Middletown Healing Spring Water. I had then never before heard of those springs, was induced to try the experiment of using the water; did so, and immediately began to improve, continued to use it and to improve, and in five weeks time the abscess, which I had reason to fear would end my life, had gone, leaving only the scar. I am now as well as everthanks to a good Providence and the water from the Middletown Healing Springs. ISAAC A. MORSE.

CHRONIC CATARRH.

Troy, N. Y., March 20, 1869.

Messrs Grays & Clark—I have used with much benefit the Middletown Healing Spring Water for Chronic Catarrh; it has benefitted me more than any other remedy I have tried.

R. B. Moore.

These waters are also highly recommended by the following physicians:

L. A. Long, M. D., New York. Ezra Edson, M. D., Manchester, Vt. C. S. Perry, "Poultney, Vt. Theo. Clark, "Tinmouth, "W.W.Hibbard, "" "Eliakim Paul, "Middletown, "

Geo. Bliss, M. D., Poultney, Vt. O.F. Thomas, M.D., Middletown, Vt. E. Porter, " " S. H. Haynes, " "

And others.

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GRAYS & CLARK.

Middletown, Vermont.

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The recent improvements in their machines make them much superior to any now in use. The gearing of the Horse Powers being mostly wrough iron and steel, renders them lighter, more durable, and are so constructed as to develop more power than any other in the market.—From the numerous testimonials received we select the following:

Ticonderoga, N. Y., March 2, 1868.

A. W. Gray & Sons: You wished me to write you, and, if I did not like the Horse Power Thresher, Separator and Cleaner I bought of you to say so. I have used it long enough to test it thoroughly, and must frankly say it is far superior to any machine I ever owned or saw, and have owned several kinds.

I have threshed, within the last twenty three years, nearly two hundred thousand bushels of grain, but never havedone near so good a business as with the property of the prop

iness as with your machine.

I earned last fall with the machine, clear of all expenses, \$679, and it is in good order yet.

Yours truly,

WARREN SPENCER.

East Alburgh, Vt., March 12, 1868.

A. W. Gray & Sons: I purchased of you, in the fall of 1861, a one-Horse Power Thresher, Separator and Cleaner, also a Ciraular Saw and

Frame, all of which have been in operation since that time.

I have never seen as good—and so say all who have used it—and it has been worked by several who have had much experience with different threshing machines.

It has every way met—and I might say exceeded—my highest expectation—and it has never cost one cent for repairs upon the same.

Truly yours,

GILES HARRINGTON.

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Middletown, Vermont.

Middletown Mineral Spring Company.

REPUTATION OF THE WATERS.

Never before have any mineral or medicinal waters attained, in so short a period of time, a reputation at once so general, unqualified and enviable, as the Middletown Mineral Spring Waters. It is worthy, too, of prominent remark, that this reputation has been substantially and legitimately achieved by the number and variety of almost marvelous cures promptly effected by them. Dr. Newman, of Ripley Female College, while comparing the medicinal springs of Middletown with those of other localities, remarks: They "are in our opinion destined to a perpetuity of wider fame for healing virtues, than any heretofore discovered on this continent, if not in the world."

GROUPS OF SPRINGS.

These waters are supplied from three different groups of springs lying within a range of half a mile. Two of these groups are under the proprietorship of the Middletown Mineral Spring Company.

TRIUMPHS OVER DISEASE.

It is certain that the strange virtues of these waters in curing diseases have challenged alike the admiration of the afflicted, of sympathising friends, and of whole communities, while none are more decided in their commendations than the physicians themselves, who had already reached the limit of their skill, and virtually pronounced the maladies incuable. With singular promptness, these waters have attacked diseases of various types and in different stages of progress, some of them of many years standing, and when all other remedies have signally failed, these have as signally triumphed, and driven disease from the system, entailing none of the unfortunate secondary results sometimes induced by oth-

MIDDLETOWN MINERAL SPRINGS-Continued.

er cures. Thus the pre-eminent claim made for these waters to be entitled "Nature's Remedy," is fully proved.

While we announce these facts as undeniable adding that any number of living witnesses, reliable, competent and impartial, are ready to verify our statements, we would not by any means be understood to claim for these waters that they will cure all diseases. This would not only be unwise -it would also be unjust; as it would directly tend to cast discredit upon the facts which have rightly secured so fair a reputation, and would turn away the intelligent afflicted from these healing fountains. Again we recognize the fact that there are advanced stages in disease which no human aid can reach. We have, however, abundant authority for stating that they "have been found" a sovereign remedy in Diseases of the Kidneys and other affections of the Urinary Organs; Scrofula, Cancerous Affections, Rheumatism, Erysipelas, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Ulcers, Eruptions of the face, other diseases of the Skin, and maladies arising from Impurities of the Blood; diseases of the Respiratory Organs, such as Catarrh, Bronchitis, Incipient Consumption: Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Biliousness, Constipation, Piles, and other diseases of the Digestive Organs; Uterine Affections, Neuralgia, and that class of diseases originating in a low state of vitality, proving not only an efficient and remarkable remedy, but at the same time a wholesome and invigorating tonic, building up and regulating the system generally.

SPECIAL

It is not alone the chemical components, but the rare combination of them found in these waters, a combination which nature alone can effect, which gives to them their remarkable curative virtues.

Were it necessary, and were it well to occupy the requisite space here, we might insert unequivocal testimonials from real men who have personally proved their curative virtues, giving their real names and residences, adding also testimonials from physicians, indicating their faith in these remarkable waters.

[Editorial Extract from the Poultney Bulletin of April 22d, 1869.]

"A large share of the Bulletin this week is devoted to testimonials of persons who have used water from the Springs of the Middletown Mineral Spring Co. The gentlemen composing this company are already favorably known to the public. J. J. Joslin, Esq., at present and for mos-

MIDDLETOWN MINERAL SPRINGS-Continued.

ny years a merchant in Poultney, having one of the finest stores in Vermont, and doing an immense business, is one of the Proprietors. His reputation is not only co-extensive with Vermont, but in New York City and largely through the State, he is known. Rev. Wm. H. Poor, formerly Principal of Troy Conference Academy, and at present one of the firm of Geo. W. Richardson and Company, 39 Congress St., Troy, N. Y., is another. Amongst many of the Patrons of that Institution he is well known, and his business connections have been such, of late years, as to bring him much into public notice. These facts we state, to assure our readers that the Middletown Mineral Spring Co., is composed of men who have too much reputation at stake to admit of practicing an imposition. Of the other members of the Company we might, were it necessary, speak in high terms.

We say as we have said before, that we have no pecuniary interest in any mineral spring at Middletown, and could not, we hope, be induced to aid in deluding the public into any greater faith in them than their real merits justify; but we declare it as our belief, that no equally curative waters have yet been discovered on this continent."

The Company is prepared to fill all orders promptly. The water is put up in cases of 24 quart bottles each, securely packed for shipping. The corks of all our bottles are branded thus—

"'Nature's Remedy,' M. M. S. Co."

Address

MIDDLETOWN MINERAL SPRING COMPANY.

Middletown, Vermont.

Middle Granville.

This is a village of some 1500 inhabitants, situated 6 miles south from Poultney, and on the Rutland and Washington Railroad. Like Fair Haven it has extensive works for the manufacture of Slate. The Granville River passing through it affords excellent water power, which is applied to various purposes. The population of both Middle Granville and Fair Haven has largely increased during a few years past by immigration from Wales.

A succession of uarries in the hill-side north of Middle Granville and West of the railroad will attract the attention of the traveller and give him some idea of the extent to which this business is carried on.

Middle Granville Slate Co.—In September, 1853, a few gentlemen from New York City and Middle Granville, purchased a farm, situated about half a mile from the Rutland and Washington Rail Road Depot, 60 miles north of Troy. Here are 214 rods of Slate Ledge lying in the centre of the slate rocks in this town. An excavation was made in 1853, and good Roofing has been produced from the ledge since that time. In 1861, a new organization was made and a corporate company formed under and in conformity with the laws of the State of New York, under the above title; since then the business of the company has steadily increased, and at the present time there are six quarries in full operation on the company's property, producing about 50 squares of Roofing Slate per day of the best quality, Purple, Green and variegated colors.

Last year there were shipped from the Depot at this place about 850 cars, each containing about 30 squares of Slate—the largest quantity shipped from any point on this line of road—besides hundreds of loads drawn from the quarries for local use.

As regards strength and durability, our slate are not yet surpassed by any produced in this country. In 1856, the United States government bought 350 squares of our Slate, which were shipped to Florida. The next year the government officers in advertising for proposals for Roofing Slate, stipulated that the Slate must compare with Middle Granville Slate. The government has frequently used our Slate since.

We are prepared to furnish Roofing Slate of various sizes and colors, in large or small quantities, on short notice. Our business being extensive, our facilities for producing Roofing Slate are equal to any in this section of the country.

Our business is superintended by a practical Slater who has had over thirty years experience in the business. Nothing but merchantable material will be allowed to be shipped by our company.

All orders addressed to

MIDDLE GRANVILLE SLATE CO.,

Middle Granville, N. Y.,

will receive prompt attention.

JOHN FYFE, Agent.

The Penrhyn Slate Company.

ELEAZER JONES, MANAGER.

The extensive quarries of the Penrhyn Slate Company, situated at Middle Granville, Washington County, in the northeastern part of the State of New York, five miles south of Poultney, have been operated on a large scale for a number of years, in the production of the celebrated Purple, Green, and Variegated Slate for roofing purposes—beautiful in color when used separately or in combination, and of great strength.

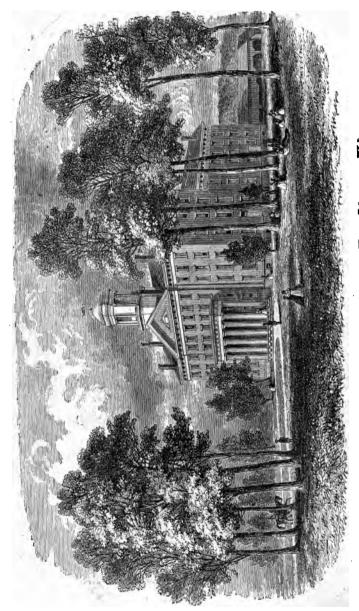
Slate possesses some very remarkable and peculiar properties. It may be split into sheets as thin as a piece of card board; it is a conductor of heat; does not tarnish with oil or grease spots; resists the action of most of the acids and alkalies; can be wrought to any design, plain or ornamental, by machinery or any sharp steel instrument; yields freely to the saw or rasp, and a smooth or satin-like surface is produced by planing and rubbing.

Previous to the year 1838, slate was mostly used for roofing, flagging, the beds of billiard tables, educational purposes, &c.; but at the date mentioned, a process was discovered and practically developed in England, whereby slate was made to present the beautiful appearance of the rarest marbles, and a polish put upon its surface which few of them could be made to attain. So perfect indeed, are the imitations, that a very close examination is required to distinguish between the original and the copy.

The warerooms of this Company at Middle Granville, and at No. 40 West 18th Street, New York, should be visited by all who are desirous of seeing to what perfection this art has attained.

When every American home can thus be enriched and improved with handsome chimney-pieces, ornamented furniture and various useful articles—all at a very moderate cost, who can say that we are not moving rapidly, and in the right direction?





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