

FARMINGTON.

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C. M. DOHERTY & CO.

One of the young business men we take pleasure in giving a word of praise, is C. M. Doherty, junior member of the firm of C. M. Doherty & Co. Mr. Doherty came to Farmington some twelve years ago and entered the hardware store of the late A. A. Murray, as runner and salesman, where he remained until the death of his employer. During the long sickness of Mr. Murray, he had full charge of the hardware store and conducted the business in a most satisfactory manner. When the



C. M. DOHERTY.

business passed into the hands of F. M. Warner, Mr. Doherty was retained in his old position and continued there until about four years ago, when the firm of C. M. Doherty & Co. was formed with Mr. Warner as senior partner. Since the firm was organized they have done a very large trade. The business has steadily increased until today they have one of the largest retail hardware stores in the county. Their stock consists of everything found in the hardware line. During the past season they have earned a fine line of toys and a large business. Another specialty, in which they do a large annual business, is iron roofing, spouting and iron pumps. At the present time, their stock of stores is very large and complete. A visit to their store will be of value to our readers and we know you will be welcome.



Owen House, Finest Inland Hotel in the State.

Photograph by Geo. Hession, Northville.

J. J. MOORE, M. D.

Dr. J. J. Moore is the senior medical practitioner in the place, having come to Farmington, in 1875. He was born in Plymouth, Eng., and received his primary education in the Latin schools of that city, coming to Toronto, with his father's family when a youth, he subsequently read in the office of one of the leading physicians of western Ontario, after which he entered the medical department of the University of Michigan, of which school, he is a graduate, also holding certificates of post-graduate courses under the late Drs. Palmer and Demeter.



Dr. Moore devotes his almost undivided attention to his profession, keeping well abreast of the times, both in his literature and practice, self-sacrificing and conscientious in the discharge of his duty to his patients; self-reliant as a rule, but prompt to recognize the necessity of placing a case in the hands of a suitable specialist when occasion requires. His office and residence, which is one of the most pleasant locations in the village, is at Maple Grove, east Main st.

THE MILLINERY STORE.

This very essential department of trade in any community where the gentler sex is much in evidence, is the efficient hands of Miss Mary Gill, a young woman possessing that some-what rare combination of a good business head, together with an artistic eye. Since she bought out Mrs. Murray, some five years since, Miss Gill has given such evidence of proficiency in this very exacting work of preparing becoming head-gear for old and young, rich and poor, that she has succeeded in establishing a splendid trade for a place of this size. Not only in her main line of millinery has the present proprietress given satisfaction, but she has also made quite a reputation in the embroidery and in general fancy work. Her excellent taste and painstaking efforts, give pleasure and satisfaction to even the most fastidious of her many fair patrons.

C. M. CHAMBERLIN.

For the first time in many years, Farmington can boast of a jewelry store. Some seven years ago, C. M. Chamberlin, in connection with his personal business, commenced the business of a watch and clock repairing, and in the trade in that line has grown to large proportions. Recently he added a fine assortment of clocks, watches, and gold and silver jewelry, etc., and has in fine a retailer as can be found in the state. In his repair department he has added improved machinery for doing fine work, making it possible to do a very large range of work in that line. He still continues his personal business and as a workman he has but few equals. Mr. Chamberlin is another of our young men who believe in keeping the town growing, and three years ago built himself a handsome residence, on east Main street.

H. H. HALBERMILL.

We would like, in our review of Farmington, if we do not mention the custom boot and shoe business of H. H. Halbermill, who has been a resident here the greater part of the past ten years, during which time Harry has built up a good trade. While his business is largely in the repairing line, yet he does a large volume of business each year in custom made boots and shoes, and his fame, as a workman is known far and wide. It can well be said that his work "always fits."



E. S. PETTIBONE.

Another of our young men who are pushing to the front is the genial "Ed" Pettibone, salesman in the general store of Warner & Cook. Mr. Pettibone served as clerk with Mr. E. C. Grace, for six years, where he made many friends and proved himself a most excellent salesman. The past year he has been with his present employer, enjoying their utmost confidence, and is still making many customers for the firm and friends for himself.

THE WHIPPLE LUMBER CO.

Although this firm's headquarters is at Novi, five miles distant, yet so much of their trade is in this direction that they seem to belong as much to Farmington as to Novi. This business was established by Oscar M. Whipple in 1874, but in 1881, the firm of Whipple Bros. was formed by the admission of W. A. Whipple, a brother of the founder. The F. & W. M. soon put in an extraordinary showing in the new firm's yards in order to facilitate the handling of a constantly increasing trade. Coal,

lime, cement, apple barrels and all classes of building material have been added to the general lumber business of these wide-awake dealers.

In 1886 another change was made when Geo. W. Whipple became a member of the firm, which is now known as The Whipple Lumber Co. This company has done a large amount of business in Farmington during the last ten years, for, with the exception of three houses, they have furnished the material for every new building erected in Farmington during that time. There being no lumber yard here, this firm sells lumber all around us, their trade extending 10 to 15 miles in every direction. In lumber they usually carry a stock of a million feet and other building materials in proportionate quantities. For up-to-date stock and upright dealing the Whipple Lumber Co. has a reputation second to none.



DR. E. F. HOLCOMB.

It is now six and a half years since Dr. Holcomb concluded to cast his lot in our prosperous village, coming here from Lennon, Michigan, where he had resided three years, practicing his profession and carrying on a drug and grocery business. Dr. Holcomb is a graduate of the Michigan Medical College, of Detroit, and in his practice here has been very successful.

The doctor is another of our progressive citizens, is a member of the village council, and has done much to improve the town during his term of office.



F. J. EDMONDS, M.D.

Dr. Edmonds is the most recent addition to professional circles in Farmington, having opened an office as a homeopathic physician, upon the removal of Dr. Turner to Northville, about two months ago. The doctor is a thoroughly educated man, a graduate of Leslie High School, of Albion College and of the Cleveland University of Medicine and Surgery. He has had considerable experience in his profession and comes to us from Green Bay, Wis., where he had been practicing for some two years, well recommended as a man of character and ability in his calling.

OWEN HOUSE.

There is nothing of greater importance to a town than a good hotel, and in this respect Farmington is particularly favored. In the Owen House, the people take much pride, as it is one of the best in the state. The house for nearly a quarter of a century was managed by L. D. Owen, but the past year, his son, B. S. Owen has had charge. "Struce" is popular with all and is making a success as a landlord. The building is heated with steam throughout, and the table is always first class. The bar in connection with the hotel has always been run with moderation, and has given general satisfaction.



H. W. MOORE.

Customers will go a long way before finding more pleasant or satisfactory means to deal with than "Harry" Moore. Mr. Moore has been doing a general merchandise business in this place for nearly four years; his stand until recently being in the Dohany building, but since purchasing Dr. Woodbury's store some months ago, he has now one of the neatest, best lighted and most convenient stores in town. He carries a good line of dry-goods, groceries, hardware, hats and caps, wall paper and a multitude of other articles usually found in a general store. Miss Mary Spencer is his efficient assistant in caring for the wants of customers. Although still a young man, Mr. Moore has the confidence of the public in his general character and business integrity, and the Exchange will be greatly disappointed if it does not enjoy a long and prosperous business career.



FLOYD NICHOLS.

In our reference to the business men of our village, we take much pleasure in mentioning that worthy young business man, Floyd Nichols, confidential clerk and bookkeeper in the office of Hon. Fred M. Warner. Mr. Nichols is a graduate of the Cleary Business College, class of '95. After graduating he accepted a position with the Toledo Store Company, where he remained some time. For the past two years he has been in his present position, where he is held in high esteem by his employer.

GEORGE W. WHIPPLE.

George Whipple's home may be in Novi, but many business interests call him to Farmington, and we would not be surprised should he soon decide to come and stay with us for the future. We are interested in him and have watched with pleasure his career thus far; in the district school, in the high school at Northville, in the State Normal and Cleary Business College at Ypsilanti, clerking in Detroit, then as salesman and bookkeeper for Whipple Bros., and finally, while still a young man, entering that firm as a partner with the two older members when the Whipple Lumber Co. was organized in 1896.



His success continues, for not only has he done much toward extending the trade of that company to its present magnificent proportions, but he has also obtained possession of a little and brick plant, a business bought by himself and W. S. Nicholson in '94, since it conducted by Mr. Whipple alone. His recent improvements, including a new tile and brick machine, making all sizes of tile and a new kiln, the capacity of the plant has been doubled, and now gives regular employment to from five to seven men. Mr. Whipple has had a catalog here, having purchased the Arthur property some time ago, and which he will soon put and put on the market, and other property interests in Farmington. He is a director of the Farmington Exchange Bank, and has helped in many ways to advance the interests of this place.

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