

PICTORIAL HISTORY OF THE TOWN OF HANSON

Prepared by

THE PICTORIAL HISTORY COMMITTEE

Introduction

This pictorial history of our town, past and present, is intended to be of interest both to the townspeople of today and to posterity.

The photographs and early advertisements which appear throughout have been graciously loaned, and in some cases donated, to the Committee by many residents of the town, as well as by former townspeople now residing in other communities.

We are as grateful to these people as we are pleased to present this pictorial history. Without their interest and generosity it would have been impossible for us to have completed our work.

It will be noted that many new photographs of historic buildings and sites have been included. These were taken especially for the Pictorial Committee. Although this work includes all of the pictorial portions appearing in the complete history of the town recently compiled by the Historical Committee, it is in effect a condensation of this history and is intended to be a companion piece.

This work has been a most rewarding experience. It is hoped that our fellow residents will derive as much pleasure from it as we have had in preparing it.

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Hanson, Mass.
1962

The Hanson
Pictorial History Committee

INDIAN HISTORY



The Robbins Family in 1860's
The Last Indian Family in Hanson

INDIAN HISTORY

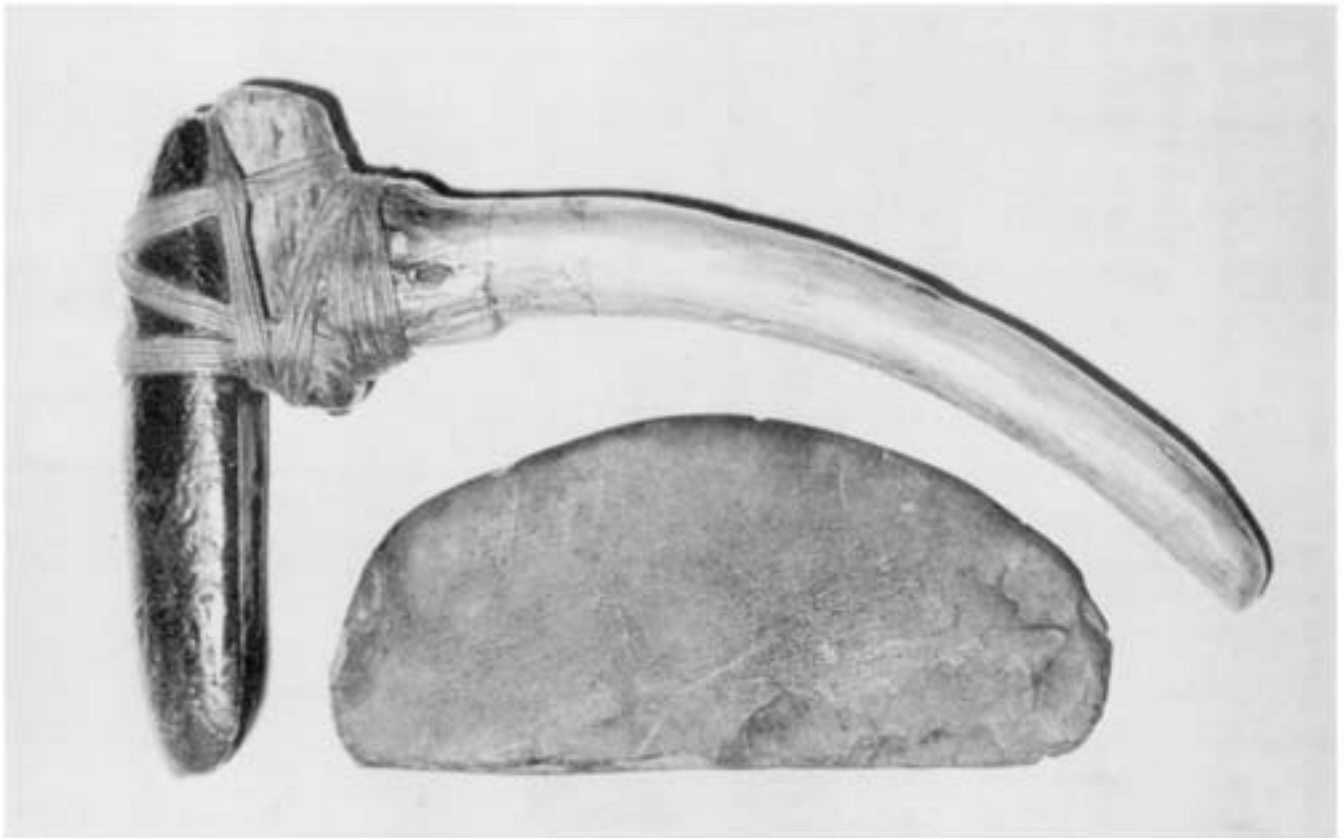


Mary Eliza (Robbins) Gardner
Last Generation of Native Indians
Born in Hanson

INDIAN HISTORY



Ancient Indian Mortar - Poor Meadows (Elm St.)



Gouge and Ulu Knife unearthed in Hanson

Archaic Tools approximately 2000 B.C.

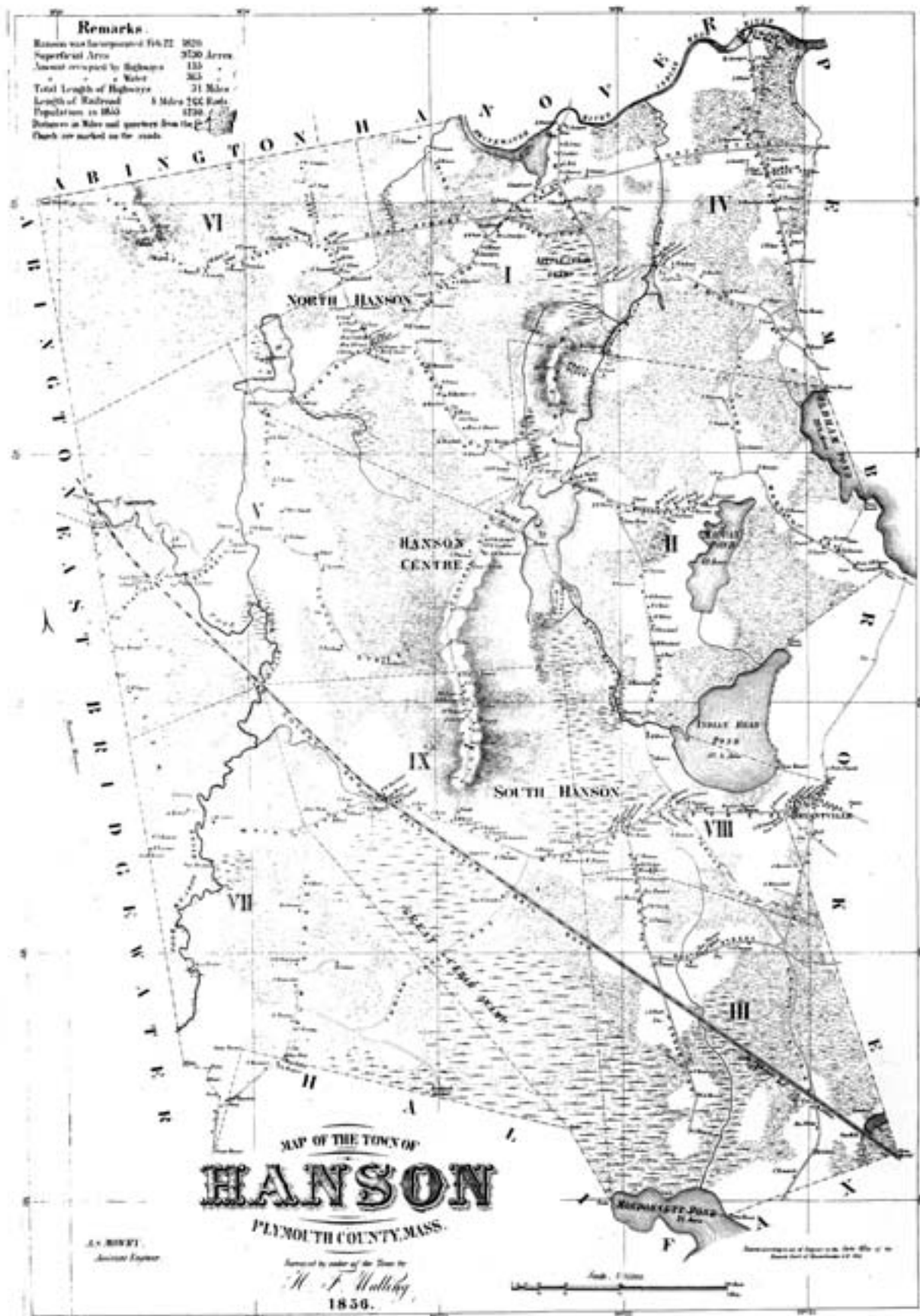
INDIAN HISTORY



West Indian Rum Jug

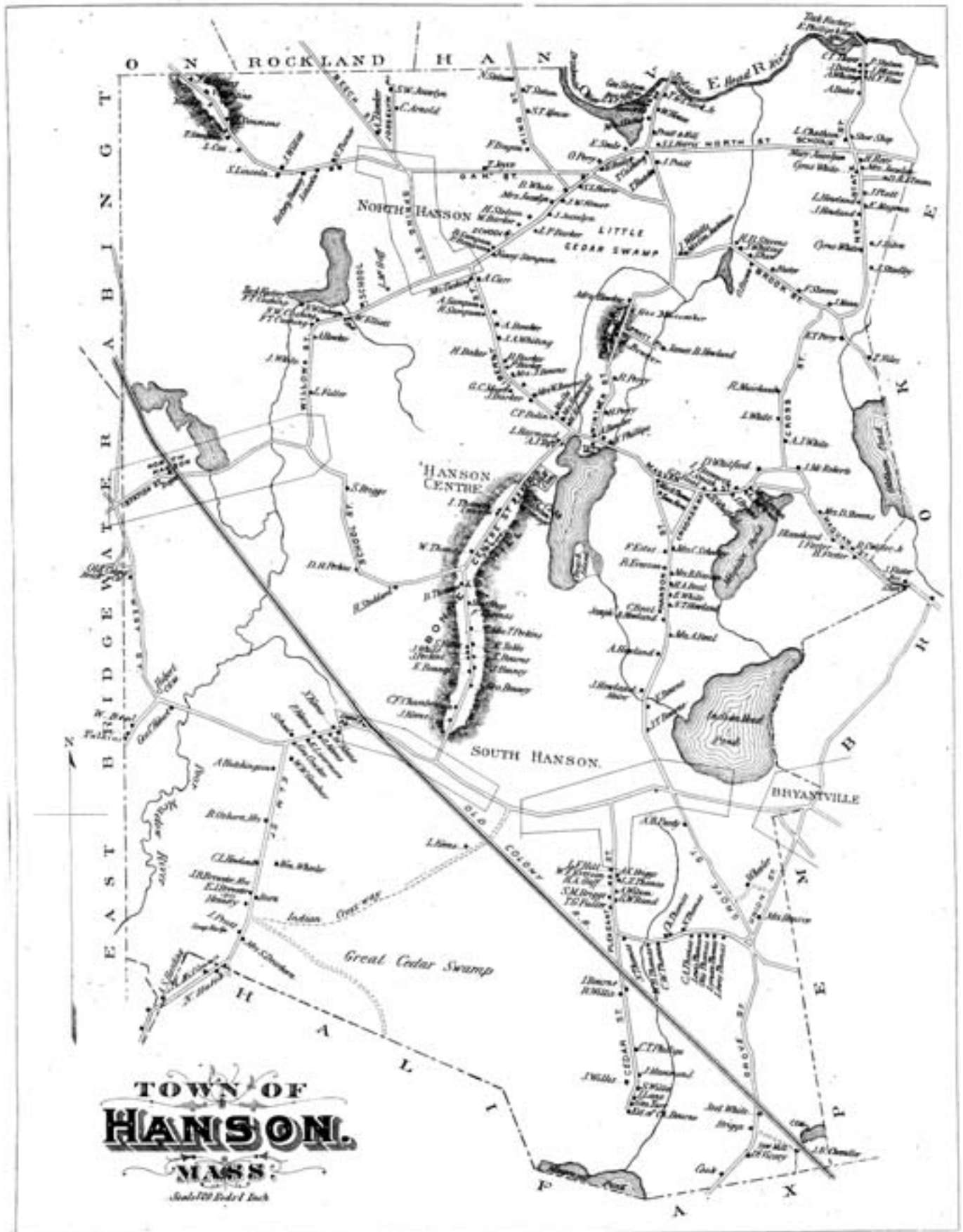
Unearthed from an old Indian Grave on the
Benj. Hanks Farm 1924 (Main St.)

CHRONOLOGY

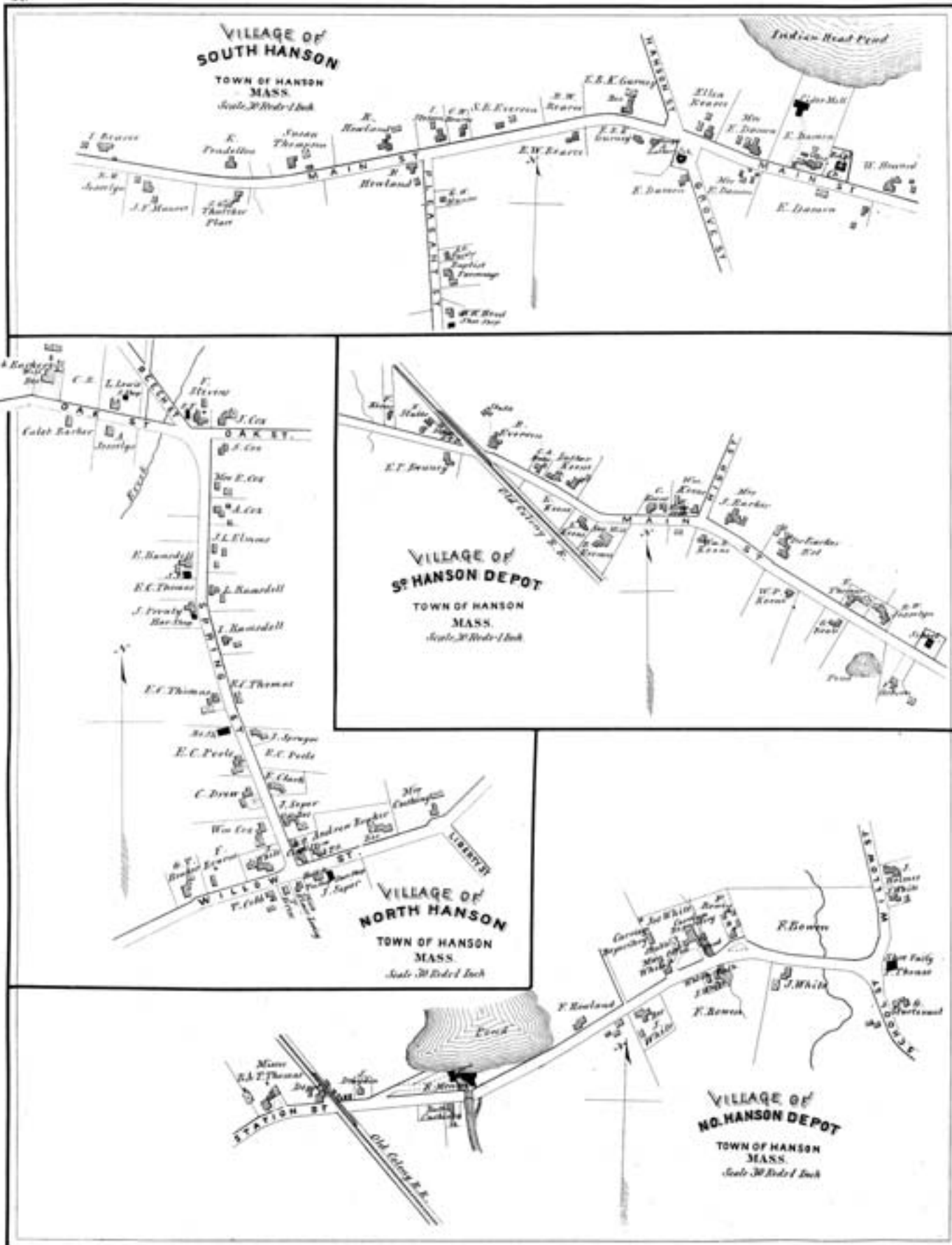


Map of the Town of Hanson

CHRONOLOGY



Map of the Town of Hanson



Villages of North and South Hanson showing Industries and Residences in 1879

CHRONOLOGY



Early Dirt Road Gordon Rest Hill (Liberty St.)

Site of the first dam in Plymouth County, 1695



Early Dirt Road - The Narrows, Monponsett

(Route 58)

CHRONOLOGY



Boundary Stone marking most northern point
of the Major's Purchase (West of Liberty St.)



Split Rock Spring - Natural Curiosity and source
of early water supply (East of High St.)

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



Original Cranberry Packing House (1912)

The only plant of its kind in the country



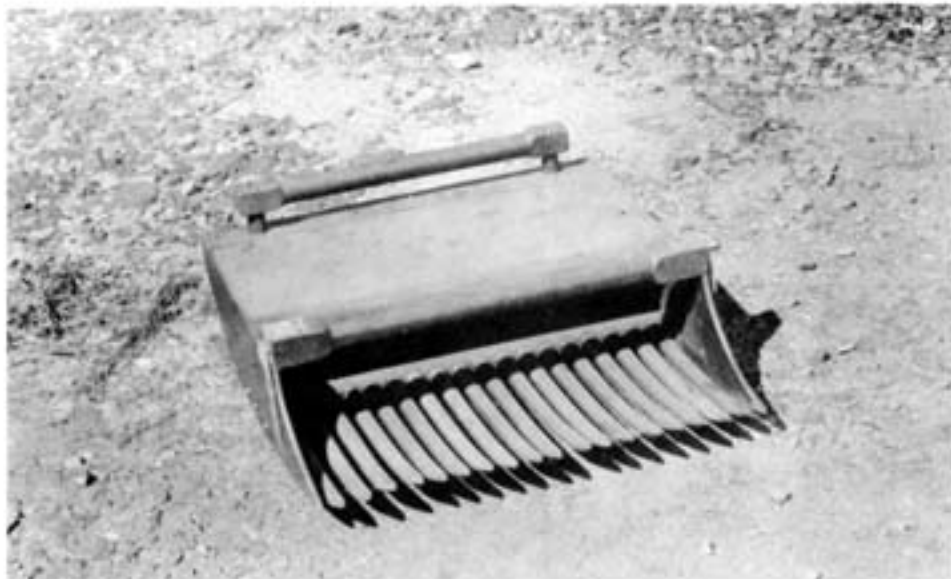
Gilbert Brewster's Barrel Wagon

maximum load 150 Barrels - driver Stephen Collins

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



Section of a cultivated Cranberry Bog



Traditional Cranberry Scoop
Harvesting Implement

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



Tallying by measure

Method in which pickers were paid



Cranberry Picking by Hand with early snap scoops

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



Flooding the Bog for frost prevention



The Cranberry Harvest

Final development of hand picking with scoop

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



The Porcelain Plant - Burrage Industries
(1905) now Wheeler Reflector
(Div. of Franklin Research & Development Corp.)



The Power House - Burrage Industries

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



A view of the Burrage Industries
and Railroad Station



Fire at Atlantic Dye Co. Plant,
Burrage Industries - March 6, 1919

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



Moore's Saw Mill In Flood Season,
site of an original grist mill (1887)

Poor Meadow River (West Washington St.)



Another View of Moore's Saw Mill

Poor Meadow River (West Washington St.)

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES

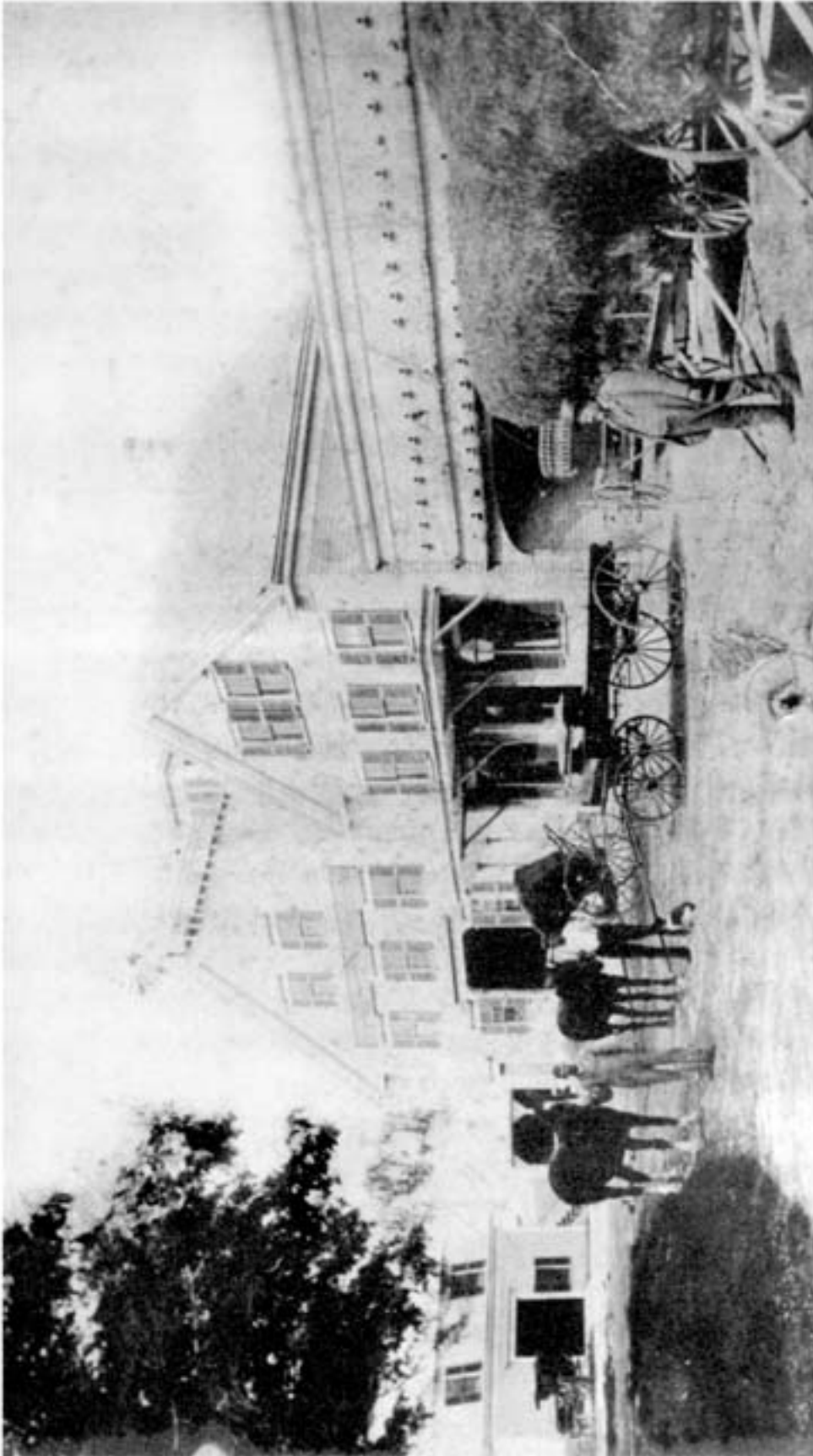


Thomas Saw Mill - Wampatuck Pond
(Liberty St.)



John Foster Lumber Co. Established 1879
(Main St.)

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



Joseph White Estate (established 1883) West Washington St .

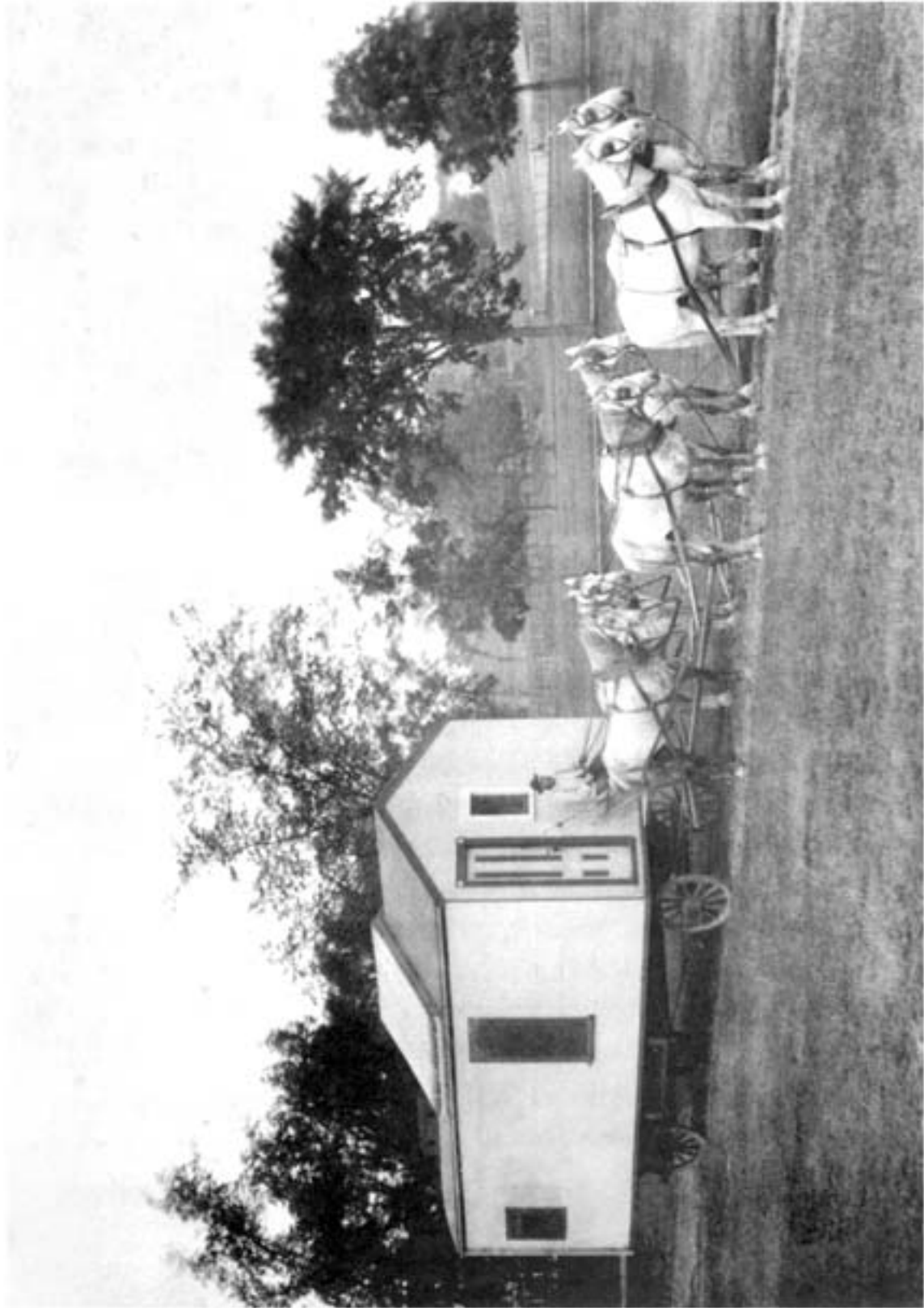
Buildings left to right :

Carriage repository, stable, office, repository

People left to right :

"Tuck" Wright, Herbert Sprague, Joseph White Jr.

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



Wells Elliotts' Traveling Photography Studio

Ferdinand Cushing - driver

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



Small Family Shoe Shops
like this one were in many
backyards during the mid - 1800's



Plymouth County Hospital
dedicated May 31, 1919 (High St.)

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



Hanson Observation Tower

To Prevent Forest Fire Loss (1913)

(High St.)

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES



One Day Shooting at Fern Island, Hanson



Interest from date of invoice unless paid within 30 days.

South Hanson, Mass., ^{10/18} 1902

Mr. *Geo. Tew*

Bought of **JOHN FOSTER,**

MANUFACTURER OF

PACKING BOXES OF ALL KINDS.

CRANBERRY BARRELS AND EXCELSIOR.

DEALER IN CEDAR, LUMBER, WOOD, Etc.

— FROM —
W. S. ELLIOTT,
 MANUFACTURER OF AND DEALER IN
Picture Frames of all Descriptions,
 — AND —
 Particular attention given to framing Soldiers Diplomas and
 Large pictures of all kinds.
 All sizes of picture mats made to order. Mosaic frames,
 with mats from \$1.00 to \$2.50. Oval and Wreath frames
 made to order, also frames of all sizes and prices.
WORKED MOTTOES FOR SALE CHEAP.
 Orders by mail or otherwise will receive prompt attention.
 No. Hanson, Mass.

EARLY INDUSTRIES AND BUSINESSES

Established 1833. **JOSEPH WHITE ESTATE** DEALER IN
FINE CARRIAGES



Horses, Business and Farm Wagons, Sleighs,
Harness and Furnishings, Pneumatic,
Solid and Cushion Rubber Tires.
NORTH HANSON, MASS.

SIDNEY E. FORD,
LIVERY AND BOARDING STABLES



Large or Small Parties Accommodated at Any Time.

AGENT FOR

New York and Boston Despatch Express.

Express leaves So. Hanson at 7
A. M. for Bryantville, Hanson
Centre and No. Hanson, connect-
ing with the 10.22 A. M. train
for Boston.

B. F. LIVERMORE, Painter and Paperhanger



House and Sign Paint-
ing, Gilding, Kalsomin-
ing, Glazing, Etc.

Full line of Wall Paper, Paints, Oils and Varnishes.

Also Dealer in BICYCLES and SUNDRIES,
FIRE ARMS and AMMUNITION.

Bicycle Repairing and Saw Filing.

Main St., opp. Railroad Station, SO. HANSON, MASS.

JOHN B. FABELLO, The Boston Barber. FASHIONABLE HAIR DRESSER.



First Class work. Hair Cutting a Specialty. Satisfaction Guaranteed.
Cigars and Tobacco for Sale. Main St., opp. Railroad Station, So. Hanson, Mass.

O. W. MAGLATHLIN.

BARKER BAKER

O. W. MAGLATHLIN & CO.

MANUFACTURERS OF

Shoe Tacks.

Washington Street, No. Hanson, Mass.

HOWARD H. WHITE,

Dealer in Choice and Selected

Family, Gentlemen's Driving,
Heavy Draught and
Teaming

HORSES

BUY, SELL OR EXCHANGE.

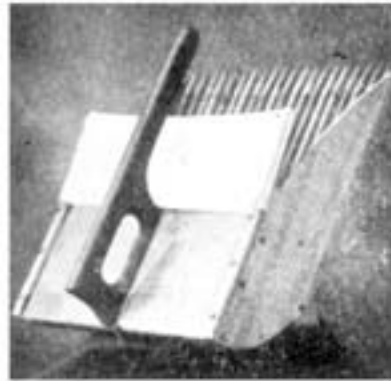
Horse Clipping a Specialty.



Washington St., No. Hanson, Mass.

RICHARD A. EVERSON,

MANUFACTURER OF



Cape Cod Champion
Cranberry Pickers.

Cranberry Bog
Builder.

Buying and Selling Bog
Land a Specialty.

Also Dealer in Wood
and Lumber.

Wood sawed with machine at
your homes.

Main St., near the Depot, So. Hanson, Mass.

PRINTING Having purchased the entire outfit of MR. FRIEND WHITE, which, added to the large outfit I already had, gives me a very large lot of type to select from. A share of patronage solicited.

Cards, Labels, Circulars, Envelopes, Letter Heads, Bill Heads,
Notices, Posters, etc., etc.

Also PAINTER, PAPERHANGER AND LICENSED AUCTIONEER.

S. M. BRIGGS,

PLEASANT STREET, - - SOUTH HANSON, MASS.

HANSON INSURANCE AGENCY,

ESTABLISHED 1880.

OSCAR L. GURNEY, AGENT

Fire, Life, Accident, Plate-Glass,
Tornado Fidelity and Title Insurance.

SOUTH HANSON, MASS.

J. G. CROSSMAN
Carpenter and Builder



P.O. Pleasant St., So. Hanson, Mass.

JOHN H. IBBITSON,
TEAMING AND JOBBING

WOOD IN ANY QUANTITY,
SAWED and SPLIT to Order.

Elm Street near Main, South Hanson, Mass.

MAQUAN SANITORIUM

F. S. THOMAS, M. D., LL. D., Physician.

HANSON, MASS.

In 1894, Dr. Thomas opened a sanatorium for the treatment of chronic diseases.

Special preparations have been made to successfully treat Nervous Prostration and Diseases of Women.

The Sanatorium is healthfully and beautifully located on Maquan street, near Maquan pond, a short distance from Gordon Rest, the sanitarium of the King's Daughters of Massachusetts.

Dr. Thomas is a graduate of Harvard Medical School, and for many years has been physician to Gordon Rest.

Beautiful Drives,
Many Ponds,
Several Cool Groves,
Golf Links,
Large Library.

Dr. Thomas would refer to Drs. Billings and Osgood of Rockland, Mrs. E. Trask Hill, State Secretary of the King's Daughters of Massachusetts and Polks Medical and Surgical Register of the United States and Canada.

His biography may be read in "Biographical Review of Plymouth County," "Physicians and Surgeons of America," and "Biography of Eminent Physicians and Surgeons of America."

SOCIAL LIFE AND PUBLIC MEETING PLACES



1872

Original Town Hall before additions

**GENERAL PROGRAM
FOR
"OLD HOME WEEK"**



**HANSON . MASSACHUSETTS
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWO**

(Program Leaflet)

SOCIAL LIFE AND PUBLIC MEETING PLACES



Early Pencil Sketch by Edgar A. Josselyn 1870 - 1875

2 Bradley Bryant, 3 Joseph White, 5 Levi. Z. Thomas, 7 Seth Harris,

10 Elijah Thomas, 11 Ebenezer Bourne Keene Gurney, 20 Luther Chapman

A SALE AND FAIR

---WILL BE HELD AT---

THOMAS HALL, HANSON,

Thursday and Friday Evenings,
November 16 and 17, 1899,

Under the Auspices of

THE HANSON IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

All Persons Interested in the Arch, to be placed at the Entrance of Fern Hill Cemetery, will please Come and Patronize the TABLES, where will be the usual attractions, consisting of Fancy Articles, Aprons, Farm Produce, Peanut Grab, Guessing Cake, Candy---ALL of WHICH will be EXCHANGED for LUCRE.

Various Articles Will Be Donated To Persons Showing The Best Judgement In Guessing.

DON'T FORGET TO DIG IN THE KLONDYKE!

THURSDAY EVENING,

Our Dark Friends Will Be With Us, And They Will More Than Amuse You. Come One! Come All!

FRIDAY EVENING,

Vocal And Instrumental Music, Readings, Etc., Followed By A Laughable Farce, Entitled, "BLUNDERING BILL."

ADMISSION - - - - 10 CTS.

SEVERANCE PRINTING CO., So. Hanover, Mass.

Passion Play of

ILLUSTRATED BY

Ober Ammergau.

PROF.

TIMOTHY DRAKE.

Over 100 Brilliant Views, with Powerful Calcium Light.



THOMAS HALL HANSON

THUR. AUG. 25

ADULTS 25 CENTS CHILDREN 15 CENTS.

Professor Drake born and raised in Hanson

Early Broadside

SOU'AG B.A.T.G.

THE COMPANY OF MEN AND LADIES, IS SOLICITED AT BENJAMIN HOWARD'S HALL, IN HANSON, ON THURSDAY EVENING, THE 12TH INST.

LUCIUS TILDEN, } Managers.
ISAAC THOMAS, }

Hanson, Nov. 2, 1882.

THANKSGIVING BALL.
AT THOMAS HALL, HANSON.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, NOV. 25TH, 1888.
Under the auspices of the H. L. A.

To which your company, with Ladies, is solicited.

Committee of Arrangements.
J. J. BANNAN, J. W. LEWIS, J. L. HUGHSON,
L. B. DANON, F. A. BOURNE, JR., J. W. FOGLE,
H. A. LEWIS, H. L. BANNAN

Steward-Director, J. W. LEWIS
Able: J. J. BANNAN, F. A. BOURNE, JR., J. L. HUGHSON.

Music, ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ Briggs & Howes' Orchestra.
Dancing Tickets 15 cents. Supper in the Lower Hall.
Dancing from 8:00 P. M. Dress and clothing cared for.

Early Tickets

SOCIAL LIFE AND PUBLIC MEETING PLACES



Thomas Hall - erected 1884

(West Washington St.)



Wampatuck Hall - dedicated Nov. 1893

(Main St.)

SOCIAL LIFE AND PUBLIC MEETING PLACES



Grand Army Hall

Deed passed - April 1, 1904

(High St.)



Legion Hall

formerly the Floette Tea Room
corner of Crooker Place and Main St.

Purchased by Legion Aug. 3, 1935

(Robinson St.)



Grange Hall

formerly South Grammar School

(Main St.)

THE HERALD
OF THE
Hanson Improvement Society FAIR.
Nov. 30, Dec. 1, and 2, 1892.

THE SECOND
GRAND FAIR

—OF THE—
HANSON IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY
— WILL BE HELD AT THE —

TOWN HALL, HANSON,
WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY,
NOV. 30, DEC. 1 and 2, 1892.

The object of the Fair is to raise money to be devoted to the improvement of the Town Hall and Grounds.

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY EVENINGS
there will be a good Entertainment.

FRIDAY EVENING
the Prizes will be Awarded, and then there will be a

DANCE
Five Cents a corner. Walter Cadden, Floor Manager.

Supper will be Served in the Lower Hall.

Buses and Clothing will be cared for by Responsible Parties.

ADMISSION:
Adults, . . . 15c. Children, . . . 10c.
Season Tickets, 100c.

Ⓢ The Committee reserve the right to remove all objectionable persons.
* Good order will be maintained.

WAKE UP!

WAKE UP!

And Don't Get Left.

O. H. ELLIS

18 BRADSHAW BLDG. ALL ST. BOSTON

New Fall Designs

SUITINGS.

Suits Cut to Order and Made to Order
are our specialty this Fall. We have opened
of many new styles that no other clothing
store can get. CALL, & SEE THEM.

STIFF HATS

in Great Variety. Of all the Best makes.

SOFT HATS

and CHILDREN'S HATS and CAPS.
Extra assortment.

ESPECIALLY STOCK OF

NEW NECKWEAR

at all Prices.

UNDERSHIRTS

DRAWERS

IN GREAT VARIETY.

Business increasing, extra cloths lined on,
and what is the reason? Just because we
have tried to give full value for the dollar,
and have satisfied our customers in Quality,
Fit and Price.
Come and join the long line that buy their
goods at

O. H. ELLIS'

CLOTHING ESTABLISHMENT,
WHITMAN, MASS.

(Organized April 23, 1891, with 56 members)

The last meeting held on May 5, 1908

The Herald - a 4-page paper of the

Hanson Improvement Society

NOTICE!

The individual who, on Monday night last, discharged the pistol balls through the outer doors of the Hanson Library Association Building, is known to the Directors, and an immediate settlement of the damages is demanded. Otherwise he will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

WM. G. ELMS,
FRED Q. BARKER,
JOHN J. BANNICAN,
SAMUEL O. COX,
CYRUS DREW,

Directors H. L. A.

Hanson, April 22, 1891.

Times Steam Job Press, Whitman.

(Early Poster)

SOCIAL LIFE AND PUBLIC MEETING PLACES



Burrage Ball Team 1907

Burrage Field corner of Main and Pleasant Sts.

From left to right -----

Back row,

Burton Shepherd, James Lowery, Edwin Churchill (umpire) Adolphus Beal

Middle row,

Roderick McClellan, Harry Tucker, Harold Clark, Merton Howard, William Dunham

Front row,

Herman Thomas, Sherman McClellan

Car in the background belongs to Marcus Urann. He is in it.

Uniforms were Maroon with white lettering.

SOCIAL LIFE AND PUBLIC MEETING PLACES



Scottish Clan Ross instituted March 6, 1907

Chief of Clan Ross: -

John Ibbitson in kilts (extreme left)

Other members (wearing plaids)

Angus MacLellan (bareheaded at left)

James Wilson (bareheaded at right)

Joseph King (extreme right)

Archie Mc Phail (2nd from right)

Will Thayer (3rd from right)

Sitting: -

Edwin Thayer (on left)

Cyril Ibbitson (on right)

Others in kilts are Boston Bag Pipe
Band Members hired to play at
the Pembroke celebration.

SOCIAL LIFE AND PUBLIC MEETING PLACES



John Foster Lumber Company assembled for an annual outing at Fair Haven - July 25, 1915

From left to right

Front row,

Wallace Bryant, Fred Young, Charles Knott, Fred Wentzell, Arthur Sampson,
James Wilson, Merritt Bates, Clinton Borden

Middle Row

Peter Hughes, Andrew Sturtevant, Albert Chamberlain, Russell Richards,
Chester Hammond, Albert Josselyn, Eugene Calder, Willard Howland,
Irvin Bryant, Archie Mac Phail, Allie Barrows, Chester Lane,
Austin Howland

Back Row,

John Keevy, Ernest Hobill, Luther Shertleff, Ralph Weeden, Stephen Estes,
David Mc Intosh, Harris Ramsdell, Edward Moulton, Alexander "Sandy"
Mac Donald, Norman Mac Kenzie, John Bryant, George Soule

BAND CONCERT!

THE JESSIE ALTON LADIES' BAND,
WILL GIVE A CONCERT!

—AT—

**THOMAS HALL, HANSON,
Tuesday Evening, May 7, '89.**

PROGRAMME.

1. QUICKSTEP, Erminie.
2. Dream of Beauty.
BAND.
3. SONG, Selected.
MALE QUARTETTE.
4. READING, The Lost Heir.
MARIA F. BEAL.
5. CORNET SOLO, Lizzie Polka.
CARRIE MILLWARD.
6. DUET, Let me be ever near thee.
MRS. FOSTER, MRS. JOSSELYN.
7. PIANO SOLO, Selected.
LEONA CORBIN.
8. READING, How we fought the Fire.
JULIA M. POOLE.
9. CORNET SOLO, Serf Polka.
CARRIE MILLWARD.
10. SONG, Selected.
MALE QUARTETTE.
11. SERENADE, Pleasant Dreams.
12. WALTZ, Sunlight.
BAND.

ADMISSION, - - 15 CENTS.

Concert Commences at 8 O'clock.

No Postponement on Account of Weather.

• Please Preserve This Programme for Hall Use. •

MUSICIANS



Jessie Alton Ladie's Brass Band - organized 1886

From left to right ---

Back row,

Elva Turner, Mary Fuller Foster, Julia Poole, Jessie Lewis,
Georgia Josselyn, Thomas Fuller (instructor), Mamie Wheeler,
Leona Corbin

Front row,

Carrie Briggs, Annie Poole Atwood, Mary Ellen Barrows,
Idella Arnold, Ida Raymond, Augusta Ramsdell Brady,
Francella Bowker

The uniforms were navy blue with gilt braid and dark blue felt hats.

MUSICIANS



Standing, Left to Right:
Walter Calder, 1st tenor
Florence Everson, soprano
Walter Everson, 2nd tenor

Sitting, Left to Right:
Catherine Calder (accompanist)
Annie Gorham, alto

MUSICIANS



Seth Miller Briggs and his campaign fiddle
He did much to contribute to the success
of the public social affairs in Hanson
in the early 90's.

MUSICANS



South Hanson Brass Band
Organized and directed by Seth Miller Briggs
1880. In front of Hanson Town Hall

MUSICIANS

SOUTH HANSON BRASS BAND

Back Row on steps, left to right

Frank Hammond Elmer Johnson Walter Calder
Baritone Horn Cornet Cornet

Dr. Samuel Howland Thomas Fuller Oscar Johnson Webb Dow Albert Josselyn
Trombone all instruments Flute Cornet Cornet

Edgar C. Josselyn Isaac Bourne
Alto Horn Clarinet

Front Row on ground, left to right

Miller Briggs Otis Head Frank Goff Charles Ford Everett Josselyn Charles Selon
Leader Alto Horn Piccolo Cornet Cymbals Drum Snare Drum

George Albert Hammond Joshua Bowles Hammond Joshua Wilson Hammond
Cornet Alto Horn Tuba

MUSICIANS

**GRAND VOCAL
CONCERT!**

— AT —

Town Hall, Hanson,

— ON —

WEDNESDAY EVE'G, APRIL 24, '78

MR. C. W. MITCHELL, Musical Director.

Mrs. ANNA LORING, Mrs. SARAH JONES, Organists.

PROGRAMME OF ENTERTAINMENT.

1. ANTHEM, { Heavenly Father, Beethoven
 { The Lord is my Strength, T. B. Ryder
2. DUET, When the Swallows homeward fly, Franz Abt
3. GLEE, Sleepest thou still, mine own, D. F. Hodges
4. Female Quartette, (8 voices) Father hear us
 when we pray, N. Barker
5. ORGAN SOLO.
6. ANTHEM, I will praise Thee oh Lord, W. O. Perkins
7. SONG, Dance on forever. [The Linden
 waltz song,] Hamilton Aide
8. GLEE, Moonlight on the Lake, C. A. White
9. Male Quar. (8 voices) Flag without a Stain, "
10. SONG, Under the Daises,
11. SOLO & CHORUS, Is it all of life to live, "
12. ORGAN SOLO,
13. CHORUS, The Pilgrim Fathers, L. Marshall
14. DUET, Father pray with me to-night, C. A. White
15. ANTHEM, Guide me oh thou great
 Jehovah, W. O. Perkins
16. FINALE, Good night, W. Richardson

TICKETS OF ADMISSION, - 15 CENTS.

Reserved Seats, 25 cents.

Doors open at 7:30. : Concert to commence at 8, sharp.

(Early Handbill)

GENERAL STORES AND BUSINESSES



Calder's Store in the 90's, formerly Herbert Keene's store on site of Soper's Tavern. (Main St.)



Store of H.T.Clark, son of E.T. Clark who contracted with Frank Keene to build this building in 1898 for his grocery & general merchandising business which he moved from another location. The business has been in the Clark family ever since. (Main St.)

GENERAL STORES AND BUSINESSES



Henry B. Harding Store - now Hanson Town Market

(Washington St.)

(Soper's Hall at left)



Fuller and Keene Garage - now Hanson Motor Sales

(corner Liberty and Washington Sts.)

GENERAL STORES AND BUSINESSES



W. W. Copeland Grain and Coal Co. (West Washington St.)

Burned Oct. 1906

W. W. COPELAND & CO.



Flour, Grain, Coal, Hay and Groceries

(Early Advertisement)

• 1887 •

CYRUS DREW,
Dealer in
Groceries, Provisions,
FLOUR, GRAIN, Etc.
Hanson, Mass.

JANUARY.							FEBRUARY.							MARCH.						
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NO. 2 LINCOLN'S BUILDING, BROAD BRIDGE.

ANDREW BOWKER,
DEALER IN

Dry Goods, Ready-Made Clothing,
Furnishing Goods, Boots, Shoes & Rubbers,
Crockery, Glass and Earthen Ware,
FLOUR GRAIN & FEED,



W. I. Goods and Groceries,
Butter, Cheese, Lard, Dried Apples, &c., &c.,
Willow Street, - - Hanson, Mass.

Goods delivered free of extra charge.

Why Go Elsewhere

to buy Shoes when you can obtain them here at rock bottom prices. We can save you from 25 to 50 cents on every pair of shoes, this may seem impossible but when you consider that we have no high rent or salaried clerk to pay or other heavy expenses you will understand why we can do this.



BOOTS **SHOES**

AND RUBBERS

We would be pleased to have you call and look over our stock and you will see our statement is correct.

F. A. GOFF, - Burrage, Mass.

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION



John Foster and his oxen

Dr. Flavel Thomas holding plow

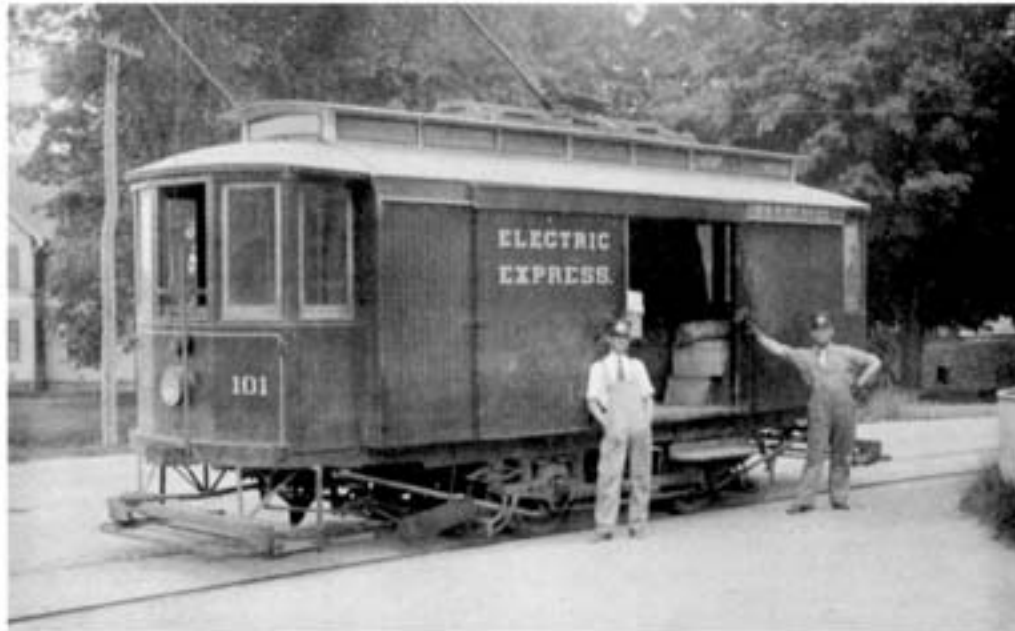


Randall's Express in Winter. The coach line
and mail route between So. Hanson, Bryantville
and Pembroke purchased by Edgar C. Bailey 1888

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION



Fred Flannigan - Crossing Tender
at So. Hanson Depot (Main St.)



An express car rebuilt from an 8 bench
open car by Wells Elliott

Motorman - Curtis Finny (left)

Conductor - George Howland (right)

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION



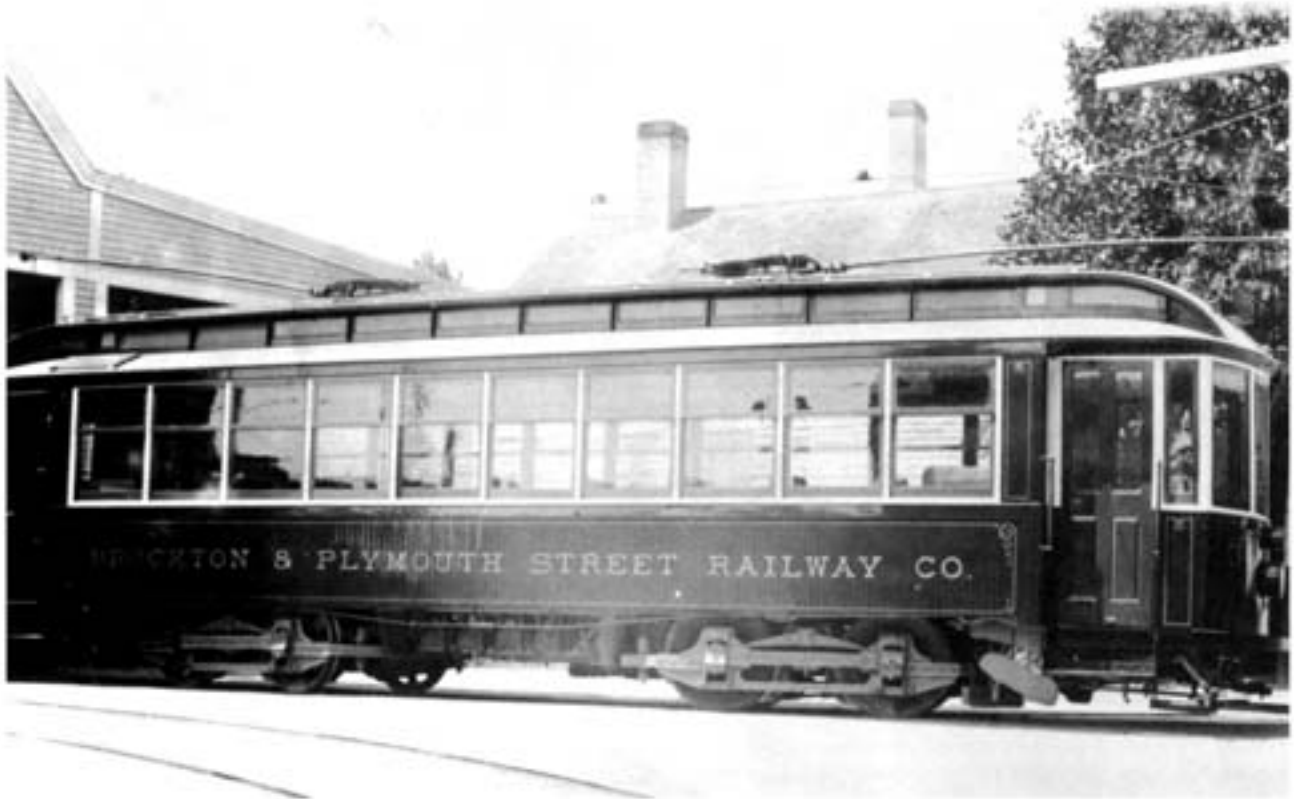
Harding's Corner looking North up Spring St.



Open Electric Cars at Bryantville Square

on a Sunday afternoon

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION



Brockton Plymouth St. Railway 1900 - 1925
closed car at the old Car Barn opposite
Lamborghini's garage (Bryantville)



First R. F. D. delivery made April 1903
by Henry L. Powers
Fred Harley took over the route
at the end of the year

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION

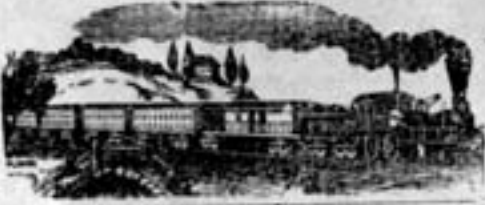


Chase's Waiting Room - Harding's Corner
(Spring St.)



Dame's Waiting Room - now Walkeys' store
(corner Liberty and County Rd.)

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION



Old Colony
RAILROAD CORPORATION.
Boston, May 5 1867

Received from SILAS PEIRCE & CO.
In good order,

MARKS AND NUMBERS.

BOB:
New Station
Taunton

2 Bbls Sugar
1 Pocket Coffee
1 Box starch

Numbers and marked as above, which the Company promises to forward by its Railroad, and deliver to *Baker & Evans* or order, at its depot in *New Station Taunton* he or they first paying freight for the same, at the rate customary per ton of 2,000 pounds.

N. B.—If merchandise be not called for on its arrival, it will be stored at the risk and expense of the owner.

J. D. Miller
For the Corporation. *W. H. B.*

Bill of Lading - Old Colony Railroad

The railroad began laying rails through

Hanson in 1845

Land was bought from Luther Keene

for the right of way

CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS



Eliza Trask Hill

familiarly known as

"Mother Hill"

Superintendent of the Gordon Rest Home

CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS



Gordon Rest

A vacation home for working women
sponsored by the Helping Hand Society 1887.
Taken over by the Mass. Branch of the Kings Daughters 1897



George Simpson

The Pioneer of the Helping Hand Vacation Home
resulting in the establishment of Gordon Rest

OLD HOUSES



Smith House-(Maquan St.)

purchased by Capt. Joseph Smith with prize
money won in the Revolutionary War



The Hamlin House - (Holmes St.)

Built in 1752

Ancestral home of Hanibal Hamlin (Vice President under Abraham Lincoln)

OLD HOUSES



Gad Hitchcock Place - Built in 1722 (High St.)

Gad Hitchcock, first ordained minister of the West Parish Meeting House



The Drew Homestead

(Spring St.)

OLD HOUSES



Luther Holmes Place - Built 1847

For whom Holmes St. was named



Old John Keene Homestead

(High St.)

OLD HOUSES



The Old Cobb House

Built in 1803 - (West Washington St.)



Elijah Cushing House Built 1724 (Corner of Washington and Liberty Sts.)

Gen. Benj. Lincoln, of Revolutionary War fame married one of Elijah Cushing's daughters in this house

OLD HOUSES



The Magoun Homestead, originally built
for a shoe shop at the corner of County Rd. and W. Washington Sts.
Later moved to its present location on (W. Washington St.)



Zalmond Briggs Homestead
(Pleasant St.)

OLD HOUSES



Gad Soper House

Soper's Tavern (Spring St.)



Ebenezer B. Keene House

Built 1821 (O High St.)

OLD HOUSES



Chapman's House - Chapman Corner

pre-revolutionary origin (Corner of State and E. Washington Sts.)



Naham Stetson place - (King St. near Hanover line) Built late 1600's

The 3 Buttonwood Trees in front were set out the day
of the Battle of Bunker Hill, June 17, 1775

OLD HOUSES



Caleb Barker Estate

Now the Pine Tree Rest Home (Whitman St.)



Sunny Side Cottage of the Gordon Rest Home
formerly Almshouse and now a private residence
(Indian Head St.)

SCHOOLS

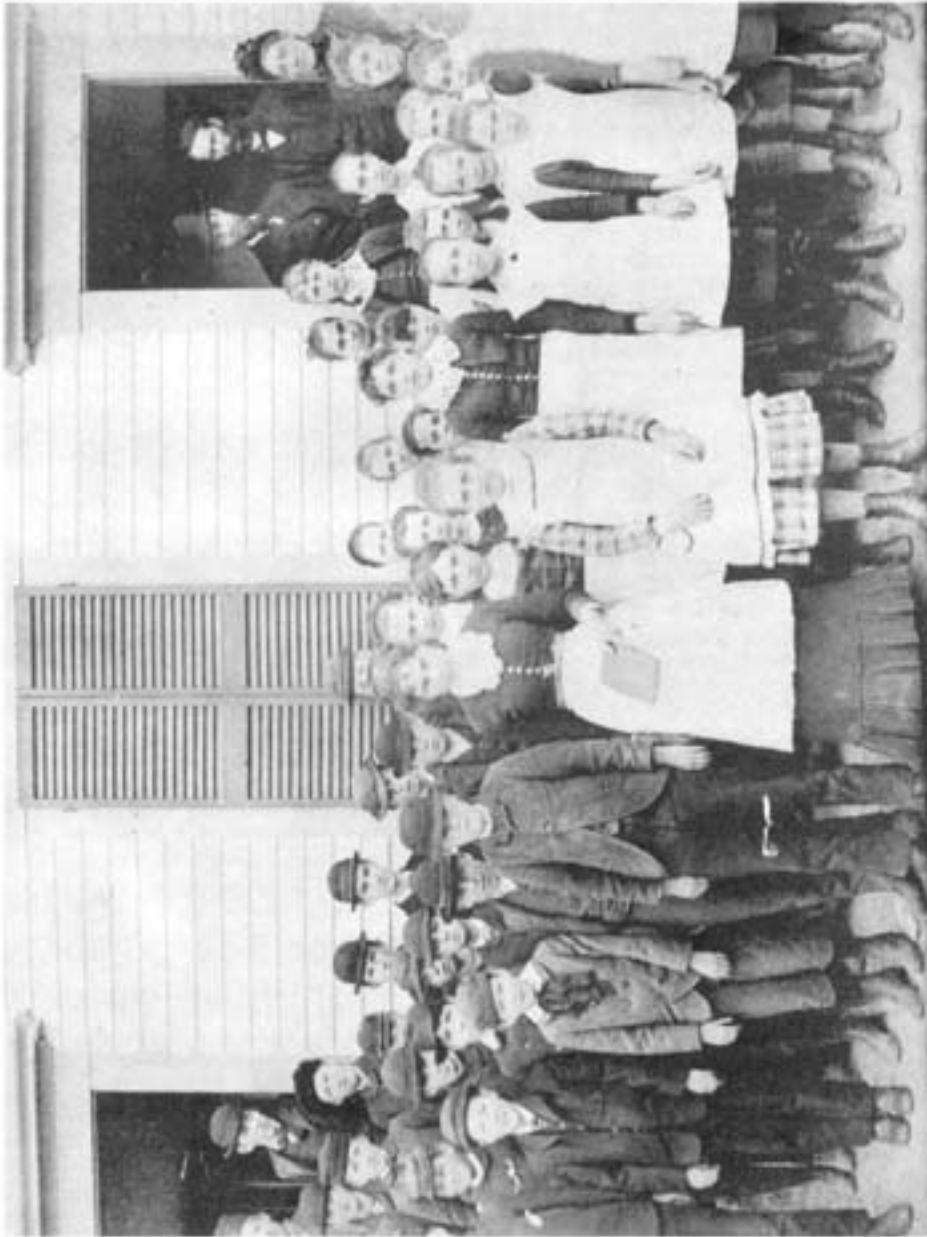


Levi Z. Thomas

for whom L. Z. Thomas School was named

Early teacher and school committee member.

SCHOOLS



South Grammar School Class 1886

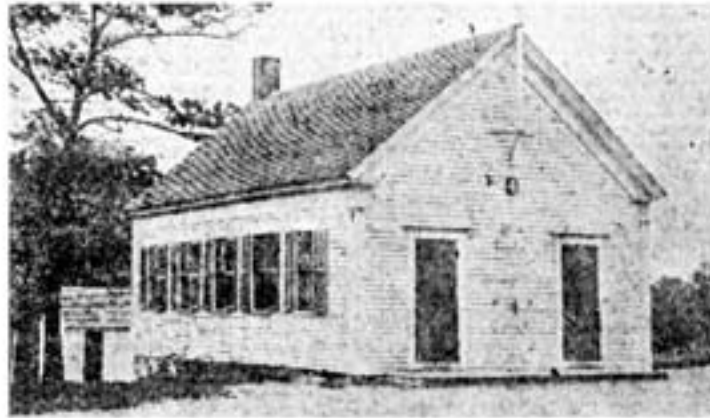
Lillie K. Lewis (teacher)

SCHOOLS

Committee in the doorway,
Levi G. Thomas (wearing hat)
George F. Simpson (bareheaded)
Clara Josselyn (right rear) First woman school committee member
Teacher,
Lillie Lewis (front center)

Some of the pupils as seen in the picture

Marion Spencer at right of teacher, Josie Chamberlain over Spencer's right shoulder,
Ella Everson behind left shoulder of Chamberlain, Ella Keene to right of Chamberlain
in same row, Annie Damon in front of Clara Josselyn, who is in doorway, and
Charles Ford left of window wearing derby.

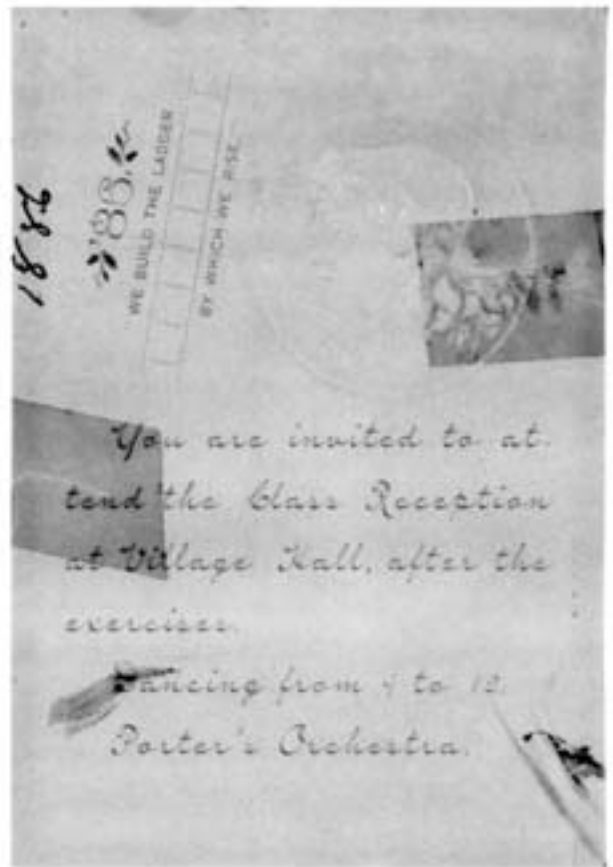


District School No. 4 - Built 1845 on Elm St.
moved to Main St. 1865
then moved to L. Z. Thomas lot 1939



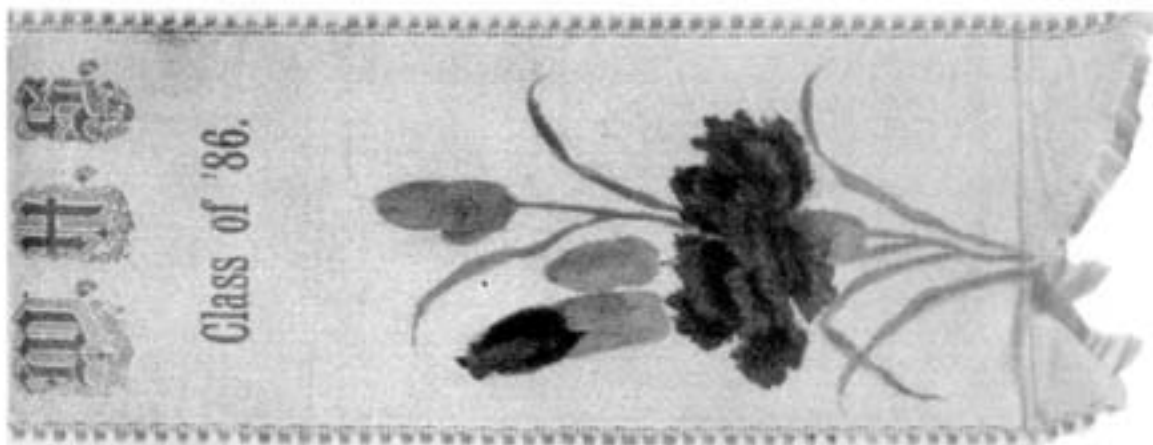
South Grammar School
Built in 1881 by Edward Pendleton
on the site of the Grange Hall
Moved in 1907 to Reed St. and became Primary No. 7

SCHOOLS



Invitation to Class Reception

First class to graduate from W. H. S. 1886



Class Ribbon 1886 Whitman High School

PROGRAMME

WHITMAN HIGH SCHOOL

GRADUATION

FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 1, 1887.

TEACHERS:

HORACE E. HENDERSON, A. B., *Principal.*

MRS. HENRIETTA B. BLAKE, *Assistant.*

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

L. B. HATCH,

B. F. HASTINGS,

HORACE REED.

Second class to graduate from

Whitman High School 1887

SCHOOLS

LECTURE.

MESSRS. A. W. EDSON and J. W. McDONALD,

Of the State Board of Education, will address the
citizens of Hanson on

Educational Topics,

—IN—

TOWN HALL, HANSON,

—ON—

Tuesday Evening, June 6, '93,

AT 7.45 O'CLOCK.

✧THE PUBLIC IS EARNESTLY INVITED.✧

*A free coach will run from Hanson Postoffice and Bryantville via
High Street.*

Under the auspices of the School Committee,

EVIE W. DREW, Secretary.

TIMES STEAM JOB PRINT, WHITMAN.

(Early Handbill)

THE FIRST TERM

OF THIS INSTITUTION, WILL OPEN IN

JOSSELYN'S HALL,

IN THE PLEASANT VILLAGE OF

Bryantville, South Hanson, Mass.

The Principal hopes, by a thorough and comprehensive course of instruction, to render the school permanent and successful. A limited number of classes will be formed, the students being allowed to select from the following list of studies:—

COMMON ENGLISH.

English Grammar, Green
 Geography, Cornell or Warren
 Arithmetic (Common School), Greenleaf or Eaton
 History (United States), Quackenbos
 Algebra (Elementary), Robinson
 Physiology and Hygiene, Comings and Cutter
 Book-Keeping (Single Entry), Crittenden

HIGHER ENGLISH.

Arithmetic (Higher), Greenleaf or Eaton
 Algebra (Advanced), Robinson or Pease
 Geometry, Pease
 Trigonometry, " "
 Surveying and Navigation, Loomis or Pease
 Book-Keeping (Double Entry), Crittenden
 Chemistry, Stockhardt
 Philology, Quackenbos
 Botany, Gray
 Rhetoric, Quackenbos
 History (General), Wilson or Worcester

Private School Circular

CIRCULAR

Bryantville Institute

SOUTH HANSON, MASS.

THE FALL TERM OF THIS INSTITUTION

WILL BEGIN

*Wednesday, September 6, 1865, and continue
 Eleven Weeks.*

D. C. THOMPSON, PRINCIPAL.

TUITION:

Common English, \$5.00
 Higher " 5.50
 Languages, 6.50

Students entering before or leaving after the middle of the term will be charged full tuition.

CHURCHES



Gad Hitchcock D. D.

1719 - 1803

First ordained minister of the
old West Parish Meeting House

CHURCHES



Congregational Church 1748
(High St.)



Celebrating the 200th Anniversary of the Congregational Church

Group led by Alice and Daniel Lewis

CHURCHES



Baptist Church

dedicated Nov. 16, 1820

(Main St.)



St. Joseph the Worker, Catholic Church

dedicated 1939 as a mission of Our Lady of the Lake, Monponsett,

made a parish June 1956 (Maquan St.)

CHURCHES



Early Spiritualist Group
in front of Wallace House's home after a meeting

CEMETERIES AND BURIAL GROUNDS



Gravely Hill (Fern Hill Cemetery)

First burial ground of the West Parish settlers

Oldest headstone 1745



Fern Hill Cemetery - Granite arch way 1750 - 1900

(High St.)

CEMETERIES AND BURIAL GROUNDS

The five following photographs show portions
of the private family burial grounds within
the town



Thomas Tombs

(Main St.)

CEMETERIES AND BURIAL GROUNDS



Howland Burial Ground
(Off Indian Head St.)



Hobart Burial Ground
Crystal Spring Farm
(Off Main and Franklin Sts.)

CEMETERIES AND BURIAL GROUNDS



Monroe Burial Ground

(Off Main St.)



Stetson Burial Ground

(Off Monponsett St.)

MILITARY



Local Militia Flag of the "Washington Guards"

Hanson's only organized Militia 1836 - 1847



MILITARY



Martin Bryant's Hall - Bryantville Center

Used by the Washington Guards as their armory



Early Hanson Relic

Military Drum

(War of 1812)

MILITARY

THE AMERICAN UNION
FOREVER!



PATRIOTS!
RALLY TO THE STANDARD!

THE HALIFAX LIGHT INFANTRY
Have offered their services to the Government for nine months, and it is highly necessary that its ranks should be at once recruited to the maximum standard.
This organization is the oldest in the State, and was chartered by
JOHN HANCOCK
in 1792. It served in the War of 1812, and was among the first to respond to the call of the President, April 16th, 1861.
Volunteers from Halifax, Hanson, Hanover, Dunbury, Pembroke and other adjoining Towns are invited to enlist without delay. Each Town from whence recruits are received will be credited for every man, and they will be mustered in as part of the quota of the Town in which they reside. The vacancy caused by the promotion of **LIEUT. C. P. LYON** to the Captaincy will not be filled until the Roll is complete.

RECRUITING OFFICE, AT THE TOWN HOUSE, HALIFAX.
C. P. LYON, S. MORTON, Recruiting Officers.

Halifax, August 25, 1903.

Local Civil War Recruiting Poster

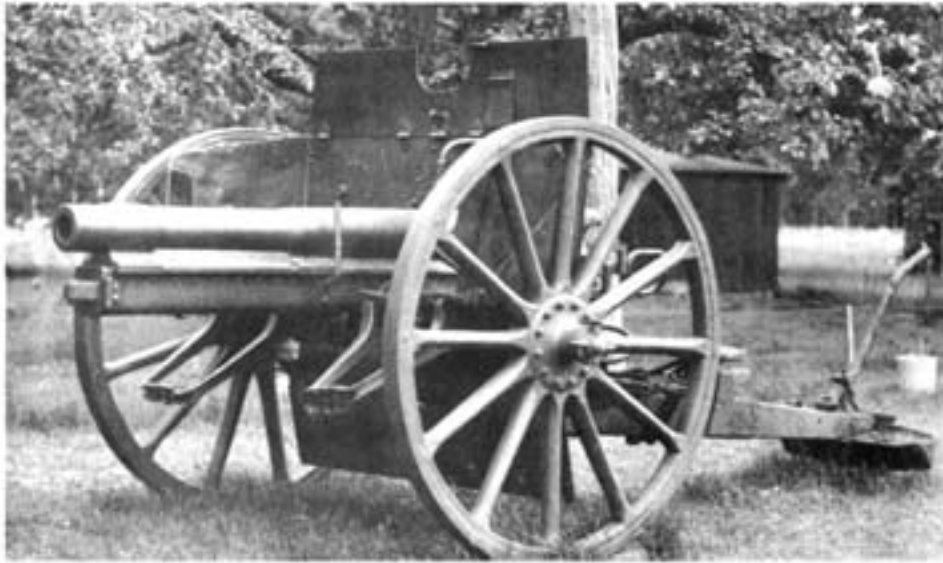
Most Hanson volunteers joined this company in the early part of the war. It was Co. A of the 3rd. Mass. Regiment



Last of the Grand Army Veterans

Memorial Day early 1900's

MILITARY



German Howitzer obtained by the Legion in 1926 and
later donated for scrap metal in World War II
(Originally stood side of the Legion Hall, Robinson St.)



Taken as a prize of war by Isaac Magoun
at Vera Cruz during the Mexican War 1846 - 1848



Civil War Militia uniform worn by the
3rd. Mass. Regt. to which many of
Hanson's men belonged



Portions of this uniform were worn
by Pvt. Nathaniel Hatch of Hanson
during the Civil War in the 3rd. Mass. Cavalry

MILITARY

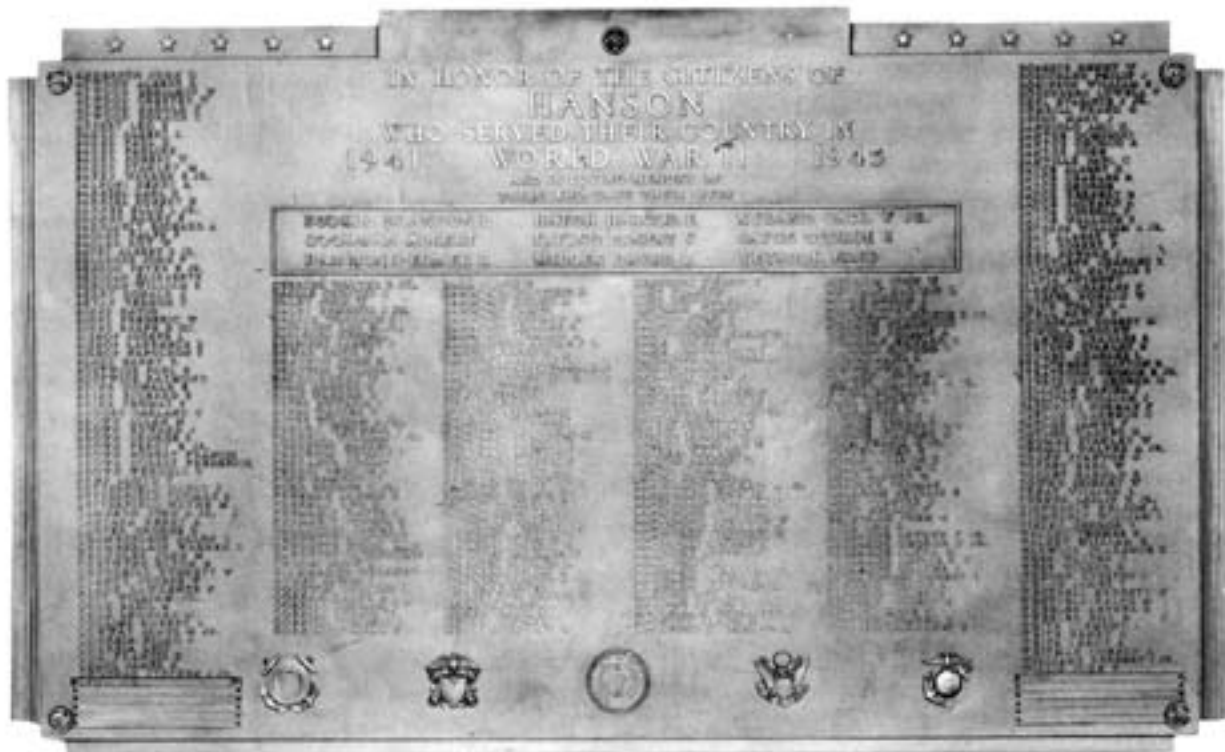


Hanson Civil War Soldiers Monument
erected 1925 (Town Hall Grounds)



World War I Memorial Plaque
(Memorial Auditorium, Indian Head School)

MILITARY



World War II Memorial Plaque

(Memorial Auditorium, Indian Head School)



Granite Memorial to honor

Hanson's Unreturned of all Wars

(Fern Hill Cemetery)

MISCELLANEOUS



South Hanson Fire Department

Horse drawn Vehicle

Bottom left: Edward Keene

Top left: Norman MacKenzie

Left to Right: Will Thayer
Angus MacLellan
Irving Bryant
Charles Burrell
Fred Brown
Ben Livermore
James Lowery
Sumner Josselyn
John Ibbitson, driver
Merritt Bates

John Ibbitson's horses, Fred and Dick

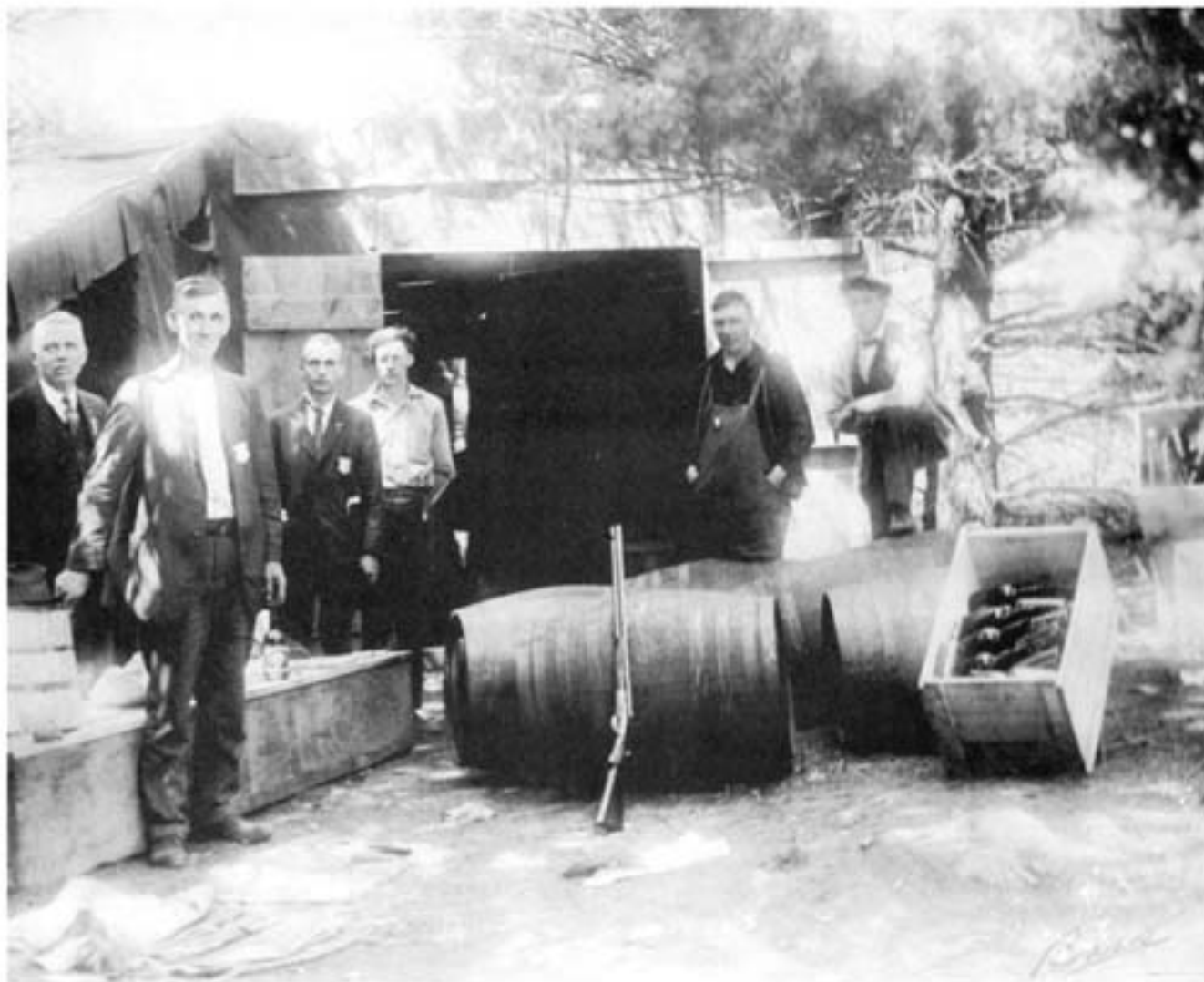
MISCELLANEOUS



Early Motor Vehicle of the
Hanson Fire Dept.

Left to right
John Ibbitson, chief
Roderick McClellan
Arthur G. Brown
Ben Livermore
Irvin Bryant
Fred Brown, driver

MISCELLANEOUS



The breaking up of the Moon Shine Still 1923

(Off Hudson St.)

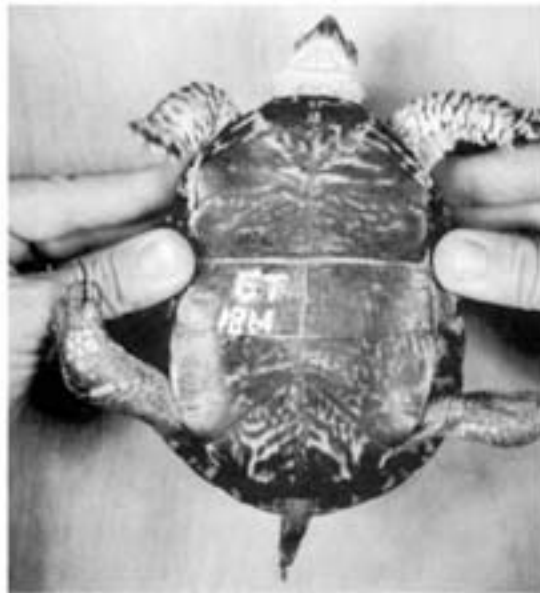
Left to right:

Chief Leroy Phinney of Whitman P.D., Chief John Ibbitson of Hanson P.D.,
Officer Fred R. Brown, Cyril Ibbitson, Franklin Phinney, Edwin Churchill

MISCELLANEOUS



Womens Christian Temperance Union
(W. C. T. U.)3-level Drinking Fountain
Presently located at Pembroke Herring Run



This Early Hanson Resident (Box Turtle)
dated 100 years ago, returned to this native location
in time for the Civil War Centennial 1861 - 1961