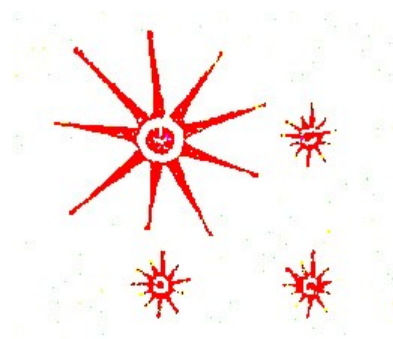




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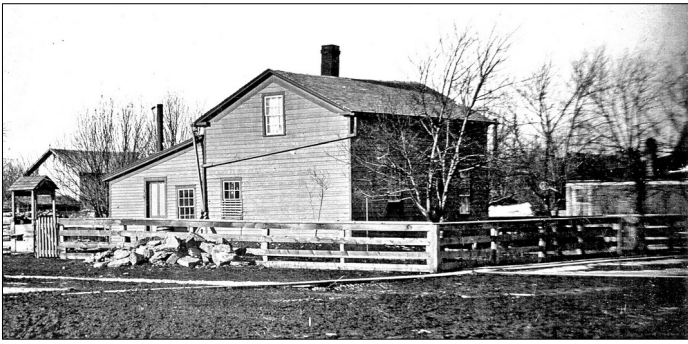
Prophetstown.



Introduction

This booklet was a donation to the PAHS and includes many pictures of our town's early life. There is no date on the booklet, but based on the pictures shown it must have been printed about 1890. The two pictures on the cover are – at the top is the old Rock River House Hotel, moved here from Portland and it sat where Shaw's Market is today. At the bottom is the Annis House Hotel, built by Horace Annis and it sat directly behind the PAHS building, where Chuck's Place once was. The former burned in 1871 and the latter fell into disrepair and was demolished in 1908. Unfortunately, there were no labels on any of the pictures, but we were able to pinpoint the locations and include better photos than the original had.

We thought it beneficial to include those original pictures and a picture of what that area looks like today.

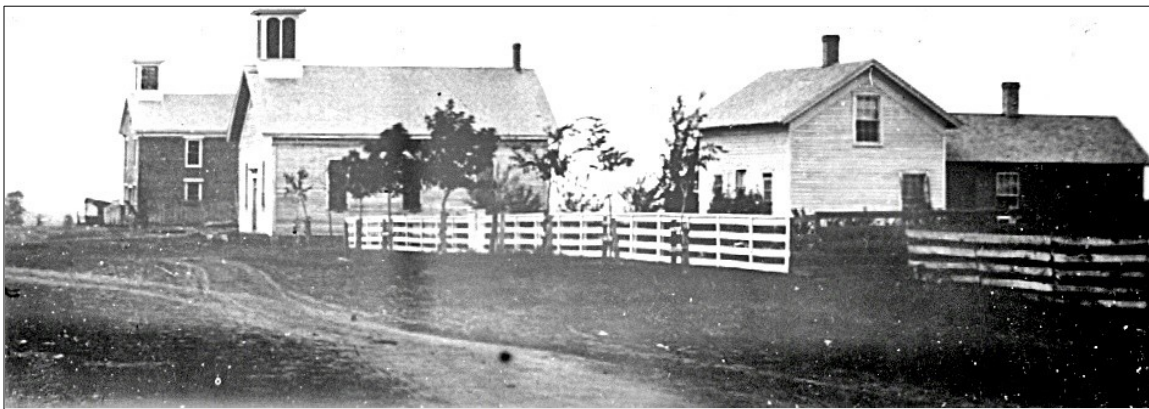


1860's - The original Methodist parsonage



1860's - The original Methodist Church

The first church sat pretty close to where the present church is.



This is another view of the church and parsonage.
The building at the extreme left is our first brick school,
which sat on the northeast corner of Locust and W. 2nd Street.



The view today.



1890's – Methodist parsonage at 203 W. 2nd Street.



The old parsonage today.



1880 - Looking northwest from the southeast corner of Washington and 3rd.



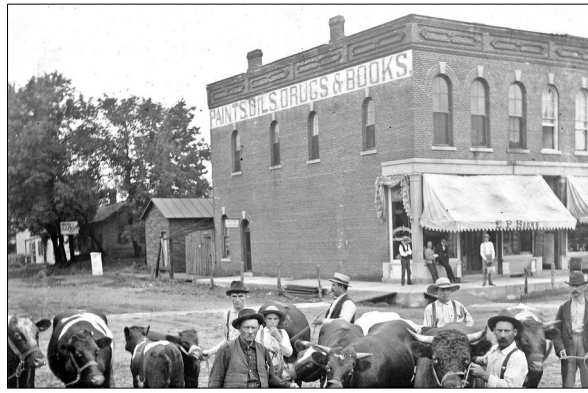
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1870 - The east side of the 200 block on Washington St.



Today.



1880 - The north side of the 100 block of W. 3rd St.



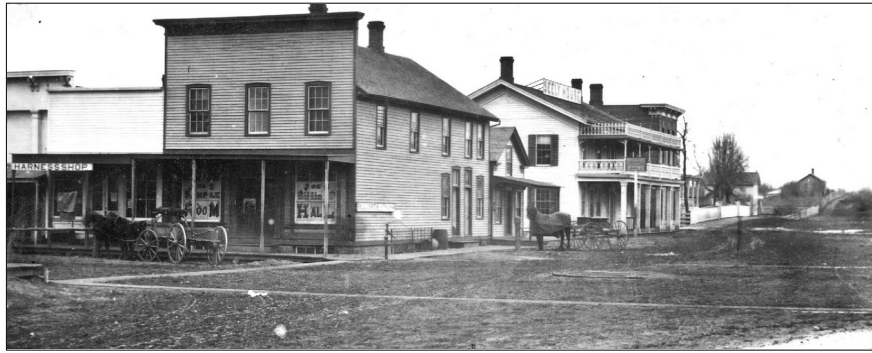
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1880 - The south side of the 100 block of W. 3rd St.



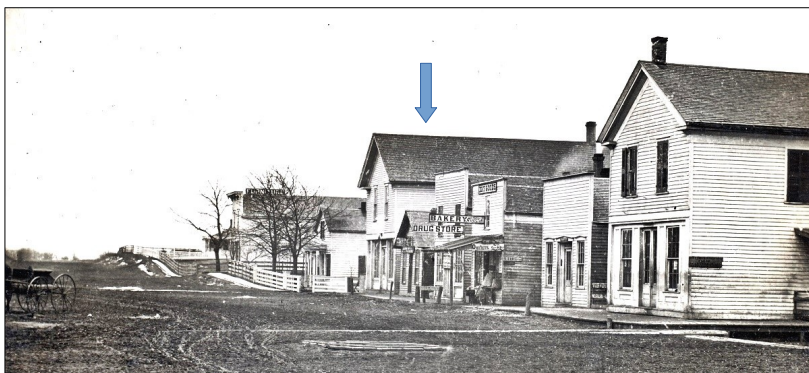
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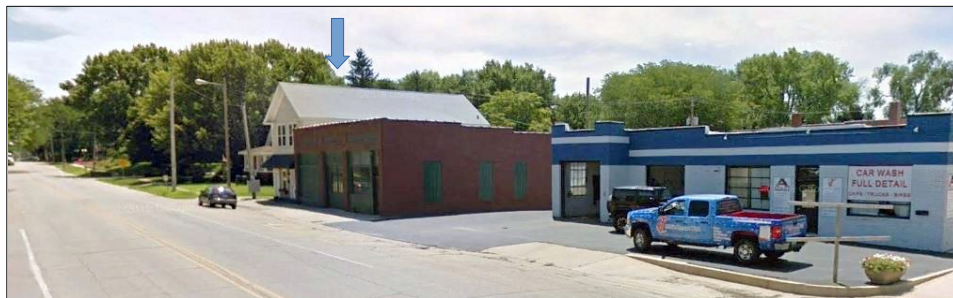
1880 - The north side of the 100 block of E. 3rd St.



Today.



1860 - The south side of the 100 block of E. 3rd St.



Today - notice that Rod Copeland's building is in both pictures.



1870's - The west side of Washington Street's 300 block.



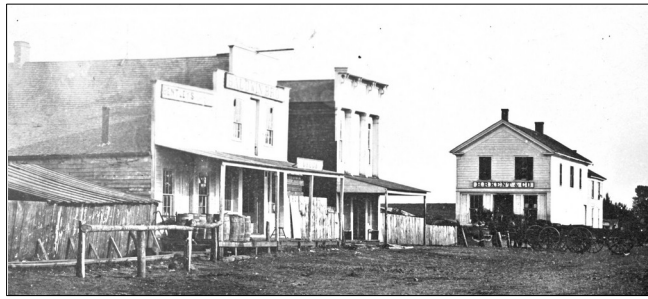
The same area in 2024.



1850 - The old plow factory on W. 3rd St..



That old factory sat where the Lutheran Church is today.



1860 - Looking toward the southeast corner of Washington and E. 3rd.



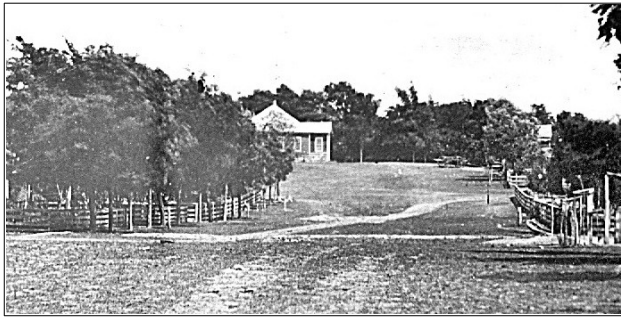
The same area now.



The old 1881 school.



The old school sat in what is now the elementary school play ground,
on the back side of the school.



The old Quaker School at the east end of 2nd Street.



That same area today.



Our 1871 railroad depot.



The area today.



This home sat on the corner of Lafayette Street and W. Railroad Street and was removed to make way for Scott's Grocery, now the funeral home.

LaRue Parrill was the last owner.

Irv and Mary Sanderson, retired Prophetstown teachers, lived in an apartment in this house when first married.



A house movin

Workmen last week jacked up the LaRue Parrill home at the corner of Lafayette and Washington and moved it to the Robinson-Miller subdivision. The property will be converted into a new

Royal Blue Supermarket. Owner Marvin "Pete" Scott said construction on the new building is expected to begin shortly, possibly next week.



The view today.



This is the house today at 918 Washington Street.



1900 - The house at 118 E. 3rd St. known as the Mattson-Baldwin home.
It had been inhabited by A. J. Mattson, then Matt Baldwin.



The place today.

More info on the A. J. Mattson home at 118 E. 3rd St.

A. J. was a founder of the First National Bank at 112 E. 3rd St. There was a house that stood where he built his home next to the bank. That house was moved to 306 Park Avenue to make room for A. J.'s new home and was occupied by Mr. & Mrs. John Sibley. John was a local artist.



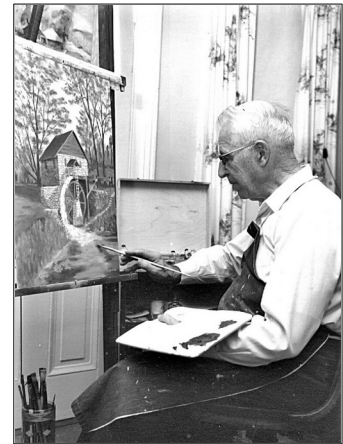
EARLY 1900 PHOTO — Mr. and Mrs. John Sibley are shown on the porch of their residence on Park Avenue with the barn and windmill in the background. A part of the Sibley home was an early Main Street store front. The

original part of the home was built next to the first bank. Sibley was an avid photographer and in later years a "Grandpa Moses" artist. He died in 1983.

Then.



Now.



John Sibley



The old A. S. Greene home at 325 W. 3rd St.
He owned a hardware store in Prophetstown.



That home today.
Some changes are evident.