

## DARBY

### 1889 Business Directory

Darby is the most important town in the eastern part of Delaware County and is located near the boundary line of Philadelphia County and distant about six miles from the City of Philadelphia, with which is connected by street cars. Mention is made of a settlement here as early as 1698 and manufactories were located here at an early day. In 1836 it is spoken of as next in importance to Chester. In 1853 it was incorporated as a borough. At the present time the manufacturing interest here are quite extensive, particularly in the line of cotton and woolen fabrics, a large number of operatives being employed in the various mills, and within the last few years the town has undergone a wonderful growth in both business and population. It is now a place of active trade, enjoying an excellent system of graded schools and churches of the leading denominations. The present population will number between three and four thousand and the place bids fair to soon become the third town in size in the county. The Baltimore and Ohio and the Pennsylvania railroads both pass through here and offer excellent shipping facilities. The business men generally are enterprising and progressive. We mention the principal houses.

#### **J. R. Sweeney – Groceries, Provisions, Etc., Main St, Opp. People's Hall**

This is the oldest mercantile establishment in Darby. About 50 years ago it passed into the hands of Jesse D. Bunting who was succeeded 14 years ago by his son-in-law, the present proprietor. The premises occupied comprise two salesrooms handsomely fitted up, with warerooms above, also a large warehouse and a flour house. One of the salesrooms is devoted to the grocery trade, the other to that in hardware and house furnishing goods. The stock carried embraces all kinds of staple and fancy groceries, teas, coffees, spices, sugars, syrups, canned and bottled goods, jellies, preserves, pickles, fruit butters, etc., also culinary and laundry supplies of every description. In the other department will be found light and shelf hardware, gardening implement, wood, willow and tin ware, glass, stone and queens ware, fine decorated china ware, etc. In flour all the choicest and most popular brands to be had are kept constantly in stock. In the winter season an immense trade is had in fine lamp goods. The annual trade here centered aggregates about \$75,000, and numbers among its patrons the leading families of the borough. It is unquestionably the best equipped grocery here. The proprietor is a thorough going business man, enterprising and energetic. His wife, who is endowed with superior business capabilities, also gives the store her personal attention. Both are highly esteemed in the community. Four additional assistants are employed and six or seven teams.

#### **G. B. Painter – Flour, Feed Grain, Fertilizers, Coal**

On graduating from the Westtown boarding school the subject of this sketch entered the dry goods store of R. J. Haldeman, at West Chester, and serving an apprenticeship of four years at that business he bought a store at Concordville, this county, which he conducted for four years. About this time J. C. Chance, the Market Street, Philadelphia, dry goods merchant failed in business and this gentleman closed out his store and went to Philadelphia and bought the business with all its assets and liabilities and took him in as a partner, the firm name being Chance & Painter. Subsequently withdrawing from this business he became manager and buyer in the flannel department of Folwell Bro. & Co., and later became manager in the carpet and upholstery department of John Wanamaker, and resigning that position four years ago came here and built this large establishment. The premises occupied embrace a two-story structure 30 x 68 feet in dimensions, which he expects soon to extend back to a depth of 140 feet with a ten foot driveway through the building. A patent hoister is used for conveying stuff from one floor to another. The commodities here carried embrace bran, hay, straw, corn meal, rock salt, cotton seed meal, wheat screenings, axle grease, drain pipe and cement, ground

bone, plaster, cattle powder, cucumber pumps, etc., and coal for factory or family purposes. This gentleman has also one of the finest residences in Darby, with a wind mill and other conveniences on the premises and is one of the most prominent citizens.

**H. F. Singles & Bro. Pump Makers, New St.**

Established more than 40 years ago by Chas. Singles, it came into the possession of his sons, the present proprietors, two years ago. They make a specialty of the old-fashioned log pump, which in point of durability has never been surpassed. They are however, prepared to furnish cucumber pumps at reduced prices and in this department, they make a prominent feature of the Middletown, Blatchley and National pumps. Particular attention is also given to the putting in of driven wells. They also attend to well cleaning and orders by mail or left at their residences on New Street receive prompt recognition. They have an extensive trade extending all over Delaware County and sections of adjoining counties. Both H.F. and W.W. Singles are natives and lifelong residents of Darby, and are highly and universally esteemed in business and social circles alike. The senior partner is at present a member of the school board and as an intelligent gentleman and an aggressive champion of the cause of education he is eminently fitted for the position.

**Allen T. Lewis – Darby Market House, Provision Dealer, Main St.**

This well-appointed market house is a commendable addition to the enterprises of the municipality. It dates its inception back but a few weeks and occupies a room about 25 x 80 feet in dimensions fitted up in the best style and always a pattern of neatness and cleanliness. The stock carried comprises a complete line of all kinds of fresh meats and fish, green truck, oysters and clams in their respective seasons. The specialty of the business is in fine meats as ribs and loins. About 2,000 pounds of meat are weekly disposed of, seven competent and efficient assistants being employed, and three teams kept in the business. The proprietor is a native of Philadelphia County and resided within its confines up to the time of establishing this enterprise. He is a meat man of many years' experience, fully conversant with the business.

**Harlan Cloud – Graduate in Pharmacy, Main St.**

Harlan Cloud's popular establishment dates its inception back about eight years, and its location at this site two years. The stock her carried comprises a complete line of fresh and pure drugs and chemicals, toilet goods, perfumery, fancy articles, etc. Specialty is made in the accurate and prompt compounding of physicians' prescriptions at all hours of the day or night. The salesroom occupied is 20 x 35 feet in dimensions and is fitted up in metropolitan style, the appointments being first class in every respect. The proprietor is a native of Chester and was born in 1856. His business career has been devoted entirely to this line of trade. He is a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and is a thoroughly competent and proficient pharmacist and chemist. He is moreover an enterprising and public spirited citizen, taking an active interest in all that concerns the welfare of the municipality. The telephone exchange is located here.

**Washington W. James – Furnishing Undertaker, New St.**

A native of Delaware County, this gentleman has carried on the undertaking business in this place for years. He possesses a fitness for the responsible position which enables him to perform his duties in the most satisfactory manner. He keeps on hand at all times a line of coffins, caskets, and burial clothing, the coffins being mostly of his own make. He employs one assistant in the manufacturing department and occupies a shop 15 x 20 feet in dimensions. He has a hearse and a cab, keeps four horses is prepared to take the direction of funerals in all parts of this section. He is much thought of in Darby and was for several years justice of the peace and made a most efficient officer, never permitting cases to unnecessarily go to the county court, but always endeavored to have them amicably settled.

**J. H. Miller – Painter and Paper Hanger, Main St.**

This gentleman established himself in this line of trade here 22 years ago. He is prepared to take and satisfactorily execute orders for all kinds of house, sign and ornamental painting, including oak and walnut graining, frescoing, etc. He is also prepared to do hard wood and hard oil finishing, kalsomining and plain and decorative paper hanging and guarantee the best of satisfaction, and estimates will be made for all kinds of interior decorations. In his store on Main Street, the dimensions of which are 20 x 35 feet, he carries a complete line of wall paper, in rich and elegant designs and in all grades from the most expensive parlor paper to the common varieties for kitchen or chamber use. He also deals extensively in painters' and glaziers' supplies such as paints, oils, varnishes, glass, putty, etc. An average force of 12 skilled hands is employed, an in busy times from 20 to 30. An extensive trade is had reaching out from 15 to 25 miles around. The proprietor is a native of Philadelphia and is about 48 years of age and understands this trade thoroughly. He at one time held the office of tax collector for Delaware County. This gentleman also has a machine for waxing floors in the best manner, something new in the country.

**W. T. Innes – News Stand, E. State St.**

The above named gentlemen established this news depot about 20 years ago. He keeps constantly on hand a complete line of daily and weekly newspapers books by standard and miscellaneous authors, stationary, periodicals, magazines, etc. Any book, paper or periodical not in stock will be procured when ordered. Here will also be found a line of school supplies of every description as well as cigars, tobacco and smokers' articles. The room occupied is 16 x 30 feet in dimensions, five carriers are employed and papers are regularly delivered through the borough every day. This gentleman is a native of Baltimore and during early life followed the tailoring trade. For five years he was the efficient postmaster of this borough.

**S. P. Derrick – Groceries, 105 E. State St.**

This gentleman has conducted a general grocery at the above stand since 1878. He carries a complete stock of choice family groceries, canned and bottled goods, table delicacies and necessities, culinary requisites and household articles generally. A fine line of salt and smoked meats is also kept on hand. The salesroom is 17 x 24 feet in dimensions and is conveniently arranged. A good trade is had from both town and country. The proprietor is a native of this county and a resident of the borough since 1853. He is much esteemed in this community and has held the office of mercantile appraiser and also of assessor, discharging his duties in a credible manner.

**M. E. Henderson – Stationary, Orange St.**

This lady established herself in the present quarters in 1874. Her stock comprises a fine assortment of plain and fancy stationary, blank books, school supplies, pictures and picture frames, albums, hammocks, croquet sets, willow ware, notions, etc., and a specialty is made in artist's materials. The salesroom is 16 x 28 feet in dimensions and is well adapted to the business. R. M. Henderson, this lady's husband, is a carpenter and builder and is actively engaged in that vocation. He takes contracts for the erection of private residences or public buildings, furnishing all the materials when desired, and careful attention is given to job and repair work. He has been engaged in this line of trade since 1867. Both husband and wife are natives of Delaware County and have resided in Media for years, being well regarded in both social and business circles here.

**William Hilbert – Merchant Tailor, Main St.**

A native of Philadelphia this gentleman's entire business career has been devoted to this line of trade. He has actively and assiduously followed it in his native city and also in Clifton Heights removing from the latter place this spring. He occupies a nicely arranged business room 16 x 20 feet in size where he carries a full line of piece goods and samples from which elegant suits and garments may be selected and made in the latest styles. A thorough judge of goods and endowed with a superior artistic taste, his advice may always be taken with safety, while he guarantees his workmanship to be in every respect equal to the best. He attends to the business himself, and does dyeing, scouring, altering and repairing

at reasonable prices. A line of men's furnishing goods of the latest styles is also carried, including silk handkerchiefs and mufflers, dress and driving gloves and an attractive line of plated sleeve buttons. Customers receive prompt and polite attention.

**H. Hewes – Tin Roofer and Dealer in Stoves and Tin Ware, Main St.**

This gentleman established himself here in 1879. He has an extensive trade, not only from all parts of the county, but also coming largely from Philadelphia. He is prepared to execute all orders for tin roofing, spouting and guttering and makes a specialty of mill and dairy work in all their branches. He also manufactures and keeps for sale all kinds of tin ware, house furnishing goods, etc., made from the best material. He also deals extensively in stoves, heater and ranges and is prepared to take contracts for heating public and private buildings by means of hot air. He is now rebuilding his residence and store and when complete he will have not only one of the finest and best equipped business places in the borough. His salesroom will be 20 x 26 feet in size. His workshop just across the driveway is a one-story structure 15 x 50 feet in dimensions and contains all the necessary and best appliances, three skilled workmen and a team being kept constantly busy. A native of Leiperville, his whole business career has been devoted to this line of trade, and he is well and favorably known.

**Wm. H. Rue – General Upholsterer, Cabinet Maker and Wood Carver, Main St.**

A thorough knowledge of these arts has given this gentleman a large share of the bet patronage of this section. Graduating from the upholstery and antique parlors of Bivins. Myers & King, of Philadelphia, he established himself in Darby I 1886 and now enjoys a flourishing trade which is on the increase. He practices all branches of each art and is prepared to take and skillfully execute orders for both new and repair work. Furniture will be mended, re-upholstered, oiled and varnished, chairs caned and otherwise repaired, mattresses renovated and made to order. Carpets are made and laid, also taken up, cleaned and re-laid. He is prepared to do all kinds of carving on any kind of wood and persons having plain furniture can have decorations carved on it. He also buys and sells new and second hand furniture and deals in antiques the trade in the last named line coming mainly from Philadelphia. He is prepared to pack furniture and china and ship the same to all parts of the country. His shop is 17 x 23 feet in dimensions and is fully equipped with all the necessary appliances. He employs three assistants and guarantees satisfaction in every particular, his charges being moderate and his dealings upright. A native of Glenolden, he was born in 1868 and is a young and enterprising business man and deserves hearty support and encouragement.

**James Ash – Ice Cream Parlor, Main St.**

This gentleman sells Makemson's famous cream, which is known to have no superior in this section. The parlor is neatly and tastefully furnished and has an ample seating capacity. At this place will also be found at all times, pie and milk, soft drinks of all kinds, candies, fancy cakes, bread and oysters in their season. His wife capably assists him in the business and she does a very nice trade in notions, such as needles, thimbles, threads, etc. The room occupied by the business is 20 x 40 feet in dimensions. This gentleman served 10 months in the war or rebellion, enlisting in Co. C, Eighth Connecticut Vol., and has resided here 9 years.

**Wm. A Mason – Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, People's Hall Building, Main St.**

This gentleman is a native of New York City and has followed the trade of watchmaker for 25 years. In his 35 years business experience however, he has followed other lines of trade, having canvassed all the larger cities for all kinds of goods, and is a thorough business man. He came to Darby some 15 months ago, and had just 50 cents when he arrived in town. Receiving a few days after, a consignment of watches, clocks and jewelry he began business which he has extended, and from that time to this, his trade averaged \$100 per month. He occupies a handsomely equipped salesroom, and

carries a stock of high grade watches, clocks and jewelry, also spectacles and eyeglasses. He has illustrated catalogues of all goods in his line, and of which he will get to order, or will accompany patrons to city establishments and see they get just what they want, and at reasonable prices. He also deals extensively in musical instruments and sewing machines. He is thorough and general repairer and has an established reputation as such, getting trade from all points in this section and adjoining counties from parties who had tested his skill in Darby, receiving the entire trade of employees up and down both the B. & O., and P. W. & B Roads. During the war of rebellion he traded in the army of the Cumberland and made a fortune there but subsequently lost it. Here is the pioneer jeweler of this place.

**Buttonwood Hotel – Green, Prop., Ice Cream Parlors, 9<sup>th</sup> and Main St.**

This is the oldest hotel stand in this section and dates its inception back 150 years. The present building was erected in 1872 and is fitted out with all the modern improvements. It is a four-story structure and the three upper stories contain 21 rooms, the sleeping apartments being neatly and tastefully furnished, and the present proprietor assumed possession in 1888. The table is handsomely set and furnished with the best the market affords. In the barroom he sells soda and all soft drinks, serves hot and cold meals and lunches, oysters and ice cream in their respective seasons, pie, milk, etc. He takes permanent and transient boarders at reasonable rates, and the ladies' ice cream parlor is very largely patronized. The proprietor is a native of Edgemont Township, was born in 1833 and is also the proprietor of Green's Philadelphia and Darby Express with city office 134 Market Street and order slates at 1201, 1813 Market St., and delivers goods to points in city and country.

**Morris Powers – Practical Horseshoeing, Main St.**

This shop dates its establishment back about eighteen months and has been under the management of the present proprietor about three months. All branches of general smith work are here executed with skill and dexterity. Prominent attention is given to carriage and wagon work, both new and repair, also to the repairing of agricultural implements. The leading specialty however is in the careful shoeing of road horses and trotters upon scientific principles with reference to the preservation of the hoof prevention of interfering, etc. The shop is 16 x 30 feet in dimensions and contains all the usual and requisite accoutrements and paraphernalia of a well-regulated shop. One assistant is employed and the proprietor is a native of Philadelphia, being born just over the line but most of his life has been spent in Delaware County.

**Oscar Thurston – Livery Stable, Sixth and Greenwich Sts. – Office, Main St., Near B. & O. Station**

Born in the state of Michigan, about eight miles from the town of Cold Water, this gentleman is now 31 years of age. He keeps a thoroughly excellent livery stable which he established something more than three years ago; and occupies a two-story 50 x 75 feet in dimensions; containing accommodations for 24 head of horses. He keeps from eight to ten livery horses and a corresponding number of vehicles, and is thus prepared to hire first class teams for business or pleasure; having a large omnibus for picnics and parties, and closed carriages for funerals, he also takes horses to board, giving them the best of care. This department is largely patronized by citizens of Philadelphia, during the summer season. At his place near the B. & O. station, he keeps a well-regulated feed store, keeping baled hay and grain and mill feed, axle grease, harness oil, horse and repair work can be had in the shop adjoining the stable. He was formerly engaged at railroading.

**D. F. Swisher – Apothecary, Main St.**

A Native of Williamsport, this gentleman was graduated from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy in 1888, taking high rank in his class and soon after he established himself at this place where he occupies an elegantly fitted up salesroom 14 x 24 feet in dimensions. He carries a complete stock of drugs and chemicals, patent and propriety remedies, toilet articles, perfumery, fancy goods, stationary, etc. Especial attention is given to the compounding of physicians' prescriptions at all hours of the day or night. Since coming here this young man has clearly proven himself to be not only a practical and proficient chemist, but an enterprising business man and citizen. He has also a first-class pharmacy at

Paschalville, the store there being in charge of a competent manager. Both stores contain soda fountains and this summer beverage is sold on draught.

**Charles E. Drewes – Baker, Main St., Near Post Office**

This is one of the oldest business stands here and was originally established in 1865 by Henry Drewes, father of the present proprietor, who assumed control some three years ago. The products of the bakery are French, cream, Vienna and Graham bread, rolls, biscuit, rusk and all kinds of plain and fancy cakes iced and ornamented to order in the most approved manner, and weddings and social gatherings will be supplied with everything in the line at short notice. The proprietor's wagons make daily rounds of the borough and neighboring places, supplying dealers and families with his bread and cake. A full line of the products is kept in the splendidly equipped store, and four bakers and drivers are employed. This gentleman is a native and lifelong resident of Darby, and one of her most highly esteemed citizens.

**G. H. Snyder – Coal, Lumber, Sand, Etc., 5<sup>th</sup> St.**

Established about two years ago and lying in close proximity to one of the great trunk lines of the country, it must be readily seen that this yard possesses unrivaled facilities for receiving the various commodities here kept. The yard covers about one-half an acre of ground and is supplied with ample shedding. The stock carried includes the best grades of Lehigh and Schuylkill coal for family and manufacturing purposes, also white pine, hemlock, lathing and in fact, all kinds of building and fencing material belonging to a well-regulated lumber yard. Here will also be found kindling wood, sand, hair, cement, etc., and in his business policy this gentleman is sound yet liberal. He employs two men and keeps two teams in constant use.

**George S. Ball – Ice Cream Parlor, Serrill St.**

The dimensions of the parlor are 16 x 16 feet and it is fitted up in truly metropolitan style. It supplies a long-felt vacancy being one of the only first-class parlors in this section of the borough. There is at present a seating capacity of 12 persons and Mackemson's celebrated ice cream is daily serviced in full measure at popular prices. Here may also be had fancy cakes, confectionery, soft drinks, etc., also spool cotton, silk, needles, pins, thimbles and other notions. The proprietor is employed at the worsted mill and the business is managed by his wife. Both are esteemed here.

**Wm. G. Yocum – Fine Grocer, Main St.**

This store dates its inception back about 17 years, and came under the present management eight years ago, at which time L. W. Snyder retired from the proprietorship. The salesroom is 18 x 30 feet in dimensions, and is well equipped. The stock carried comprises canned and bottled goods, jellies, preserves, pickles, fruit butters, tea coffee, spices, sugars, syrups, etc., also choice brands of family flour, and in fact everything in the provision line including fresh Philadelphia dressed meats, oysters, fish, game and green truck, fruits and berries, a large refrigerator being used. This gentleman was born about a mile from this place, and formerly carried on the butchering business here. He employs three assistants, keeps two teams and is an enterprising merchant.

**Lewis Wren – Waiter and Caterer, Center Street**

The subject of this sketch was born in slavery in the state of Mississippi. At the outbreak of the civil war he enlisted in the U.S. Navy, and served five years, and early took up the profession of cook, caterer and waiter. He was for 14 years cook on the Penna. R. R., and catered for Thos. A. Scott, Frank Thomson and other officials of the company. He now devotes his attention chiefly to job cooking and is prepared to serve weddings, parties and collations, and has catered for some of the first families here. He has recently opened at his residence a store for the sale of candies, peanuts, cigars and tobacco, soft drinks, lemons pies and cakes, and ice cream. Here he also sells kindling wood, coal by the basket or bucket, and will execute orders for whitewashing and calsomining, will take up, clean and relay carpets,

make and renovate mattresses, repair, oil and varnish furniture, and carefully attend to moving and jobbing of all kinds. Orders by mail receive prompt attention.

#### **Philip Sipler – Light and Heavy Harness**

Coming here from Bucks Co., this gentleman established this business in 1836. He carries a full line of light and heavy, double and single hand-made harness, either plain or mounted, a specialty being made in the Dearborn cart and plough harness. Single pieces of harness, may also be had here. In the manufacture of these goods only the very best of leather is used, while the workmanship is first class. A line of whips, blankets, robes and horse clothing is constantly carried, as are also stable supplies. A prominent feature is made in the Mica Axle Grease, and the best foot oil, by the quart or gallon. The premises here occupied comprise a 3 story structure 16 x 32 feet in dimensions, fully equipped with the requisite appliances. From two to three proficient assistants are employed. The proprietor is an active business man universally known and esteemed.

#### **N. Dibeler – Dry Goods, Groceries, 5<sup>th</sup> and Main St.**

This gentleman commenced business here some four years ago and now enjoys a thriving trade. The salesroom contains a stock of canned and bottled goods, jellies, preserves, pickles, dried fruits, fresh and cured meats, country produce, butter, eggs, etc. Here will also be found a desirable line of lamps and lamp goods, glass, stone and queens ware. All the popular brands of family flour may be had by the bag or barrel. A refrigerator holding 600 pounds of ice is used for preserving perishable goods during the summer season. The equipment and general appointment of the establishment are excellent. The proprietor is enterprising and endeavors to give his patrons the best goods at the lowest prices. He is a native of Philadelphia, and an auger maker by trade.

#### **Albert McLaughlin – Groceries, Etc. Sixth St.**

This enterprising young man occupies one of the finest salesrooms of its size in the borough. Its dimensions are 20 x 20 feet and it is fitted up in truly metropolitan style. A large front window ten feet across and eighteen inches deep admits much light and affords an opportunity for advantageous display of stock. The goods here offered are of absolute purity and unsurpassed excellency and include choice teas, coffees, spices, flour, sugar, syrups, canned and bottled goods, jellies, preserves, pickles, etc. A native of Philadelphia, he came here and established a few months ago, and has made many friends here who respect and esteem him for his manly worth. He formerly had a grocery store in Philadelphia and enjoyed a large trade.

#### **Geo. Ricketts – Tonsorial Artist, 9<sup>th</sup> and Summit**

Established some five years ago, this popular establishment came into the hands of the present proprietor a few months ago. The room occupied is 14 x 14 feet in dimensions, and well adapted to the flourishing trade here centered. All branches of the tonsorial art are practiced, including clean easy shaves, fashionable hair cutting and dressing, shampooing, etc. Careful attention is given to children's hair cutting. A considerable business is also done in honing razors. A line of cigars and tobacco is kept constantly on hand. One skilled assistant is employed, who takes charge of the shop during the day, the proprietor being engaged at his trade of carriage painting in which he is an expert.

#### **W. C. Taylor – Dealer in Fresh Meats, Groceries and Provisions, Fourth Street, Darby**

Taylor's Fourth Street Grocery is one of the best and most thoroughly equipped in the municipality. It occupies a handsomely fitted up room 17 x 35 feet in dimensions, and the stock carried is kept at a standard of fullness, and a point of quality cannot be surpassed by even the larger metropolitan stores. Among the various lines here offered the following specialties may be mentioned: fresh and cured meats, canned and bottled goods, jellies, preserves, pickles, fruit butters, dried fruits. A leading specialty is made in fresh fruits and vegetables in season, and the proprietor has an extensive

route in line. Two clerks are employed to assist. The refrigerator used for preserving meats etc., is a fine one and has a capacity of 400 lbs. of ice. The store was opened 1887.

#### **Geo. W. Clancy – Tonsorial Artist, Main Street**

The first class tonsorial establishment is particularly noted for clean easy shaves, fashionable hair cutting and dressing, and superb shampoos. The room is 16 x 18 feet in dimensions and is the best equipped parlor here. Two upholstered barber chairs are used, and the proprietor employs an assistant on the three busy days of the week. He also gives especial attention to lady's hair cutting and dressing. He is a native of Darby and learned his trade in one of the finest and most successful tonsorial parlors in Philadelphia, and has had 17 years' experience in this line.

#### **Edmund Smith – Crumpet, Pork Pie and Oat Cake. Bread Baker, Serril and Summit Sts.**

Established four years ago, this is the only enterprise of its kind in Delaware Co., and the nearest here is at Kensington. The various products are highly popular especially with English and Scotch people who well know the nutritious merits of Crumpets, pork pie and oat cake bread, when baked as this gentleman bakes them on the regular old English style, and at present three pounds of flour per week are consumed. Outside the borough the products are chiefly sold in Clifton Heights, West End, Chester, and Upland, and in winter a large quantity goes to Philadelphia. Persons who give these commodities a fair trial pronounce them the most palatable as well as most wholesome produced at any other bakery within the range of their knowledge. Orders left at the store receive prompt attention. He also keeps a full line of fancy cakes, groceries and household necessities. This gentleman is a native of England, and has been in America since 1865.

#### **Mrs. D. Rawson – Dry Goods, Carpeting's Etc. Main**

Occupying a well-appointed sales-room 20 X 30 feet in dimensions this business has been in active and successful operation for 30 years past. The stock carried comprises a complete line of dry goods of foreign and American manufacture, including muslins, flannels, linings, etc. Here will also be found a desirable line of notions, men's and women's furnishing goods, hosiery, underwear, children's and infant's clothing, rugs; matting and oil cloth. This lady also handles Whitman's popular confectionery. A native of Scotland, she came to American about 40 years ago and is an enterprising and energetic business woman and merchant. She is assisted by her daughter and uses great care in the purchase of her stock, enjoying a good trade.

#### **P. J. Sipler – Shaving Saloon, Main Street**

This nicely fitted up tonsorial apartment dates its inception back about 17 years. The room occupied is 12 x 14 feet in dimensions and its equipment is complete, while the proprietor is a proficient tonsorial artist, cranium manipulator and facial operator off 22 years' experience, clean, easy shaves, fashionable hair cutting, dressing and shampooing are the specialties for which the establishment is noted. He is also prepared to attend to ladies' hair cutting and dressing in all its branches. In connection with this business he carries a stock of cigars, tobacco, fishing tackle and gunner's supplies. He is a native and lifelong resident of Darby.

#### **Patrick McLayhen – Ice Cream, Cakes, Serrill St.**

A native of Ireland, the subject of this sketch has been a resident of the American Republic about 45 years. Some six months ago he opened this establishment that the traveling public not having time or means to procure regular meals, might be properly entertained and accommodated with substantial lunch. He keeps pia and milk at all times, also Kolb's New York celebrated bread, of both the home made and Vienna varieties. He also keeps Drewe's well-known bread. Fancy cakes, biscuits, etc., he has on hand at all times to supply the hungry passer by at reasonable prices. Soft drinks can also be had here. The place fills a vacancy and should have the support and encouragement of all.

KEITH LOCKHART COLLECTION