

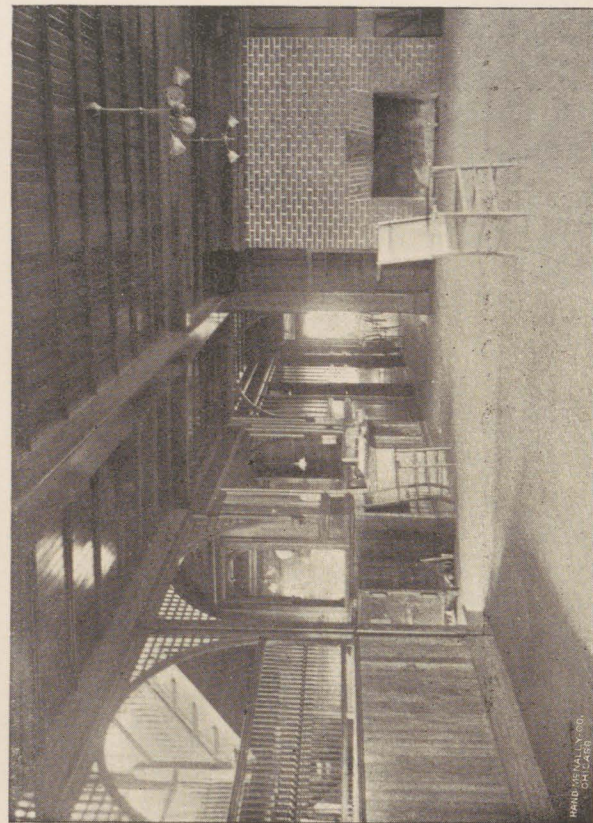


NEW BIRMINGHAM

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NEW BIRMINGHAM, TEXAS. OFFICE SOUTHERN HOTEL.



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NEW BIRMINGHAM, TEXAS. THE SOUTHERN HOTEL.



NEW BIRMINGHAM, TEXAS. SOUTHERN HOTEL PARK.

The City of New Birmingham



IS SITUATED in Cherokee County, in the center of the iron ore deposits of East Texas, on the Tyler Southeastern Railroad, a part of the Cotton Belt System. This branch was purchased by the Cotton Belt with a view to giving them an outlet to the Gulf at Sabine Pass.

The Dallas Trunk Line, now in operation from Dallas to Cedar, and pointed for New Orleans, will pass through New Birmingham. This line has recently been acquired by the Southern Pacific interest and will, no doubt, be pushed with vigor.

The recently chartered road (the Rusk, New Birmingham & Palestine) will give us another valuable connection with the International & Great Northern at the latter place.

Further, there is every inducement for new railroads to build to this city, in the fact that the freight from the three furnaces and two pipe plants, now in operation and building, together with the commercial business of Rusk and New Birmingham, will amount from \$350,000 to \$400,000 per annum.

New Birmingham is midway between St. Louis and New Orleans, and is within a night's journey of the important cities of Texas, such as Galveston, Houston, Austin, San Antonio, Fort Worth, Dallas, and Waco. It has no large city near enough to interfere with its trade. The nearest competitive iron producing point is more than 500 miles distant, and this fact gives New Birmingham undisputed possession of the great markets of Mexico, Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, New Mexico, together with all the Central and South American countries.

On the 12th of November, 1888, New Birmingham had not a house completed. It was entirely in the woods. To-day, with nearly 400 buildings completed and occupied, she claims, and justly so, a population of 1,500. The streets are graded, and houses and streets lighted with electricity; the business houses are the best class of brick buildings; it boasts a street railway and a magnificent hotel, the Southern, with all modern improvements. The industries represented to-day are two blast furnaces, a pipe foundry, planing mill, sash and door factory, bottling works, ice factory, steam laundry, and steam bakery, and other industries being negotiated for.

New Birmingham, as a place to live, has no superior in Texas. It lies 590 feet above tide-water, with a residence plateau 160 feet more elevated, being the highest point between Tyler and the Gulf. It is above the fever line, and sickness is almost unknown.

COME TO NEW BIRMINGHAM . . .

A WORD TO THE WISE IS SUFFICIENT . . .

Its proximity to the Gulf affords a Gulf breeze day and night, and this fact and its elevation makes it probably the coolest city in the South.

The water, which is freestone, is clear, cold, and plentiful, besides which are numerous sulphur and chalybeate springs.

The city being built upon hills, the most beautiful views can be obtained from many points.

Taking into consideration these natural advantages, together with its valuable products, especially iron, and its being located in the center of the greatest market in the world, we see every reason why New Birmingham will soon have a large population and be one of the strongest and most profitable manufacturing cities of the Southwest.

New Birmingham enjoys postal, telegraph, express, banking, and insurance facilities for conducting business with all the world.

MINERALS . . .



FOUND in and about New Birmingham.

IRON ORE . . .
Brown Hematite, 50 per cent. metallic iron.

LIMESTONE . . .
Carbonate of lime, 97.75 per cent. cement rock.

BUILDING STONE . . .
Resembling the "Caen" stone of Paris, France.

CLAY . . .
Excellent for ordinary and fire brick, pottery, and tiles.

LIGNITE . . .
Large deposits.

PAINTS . . .
Yellow ochre, brown ochre, red ochre.

MARL . . .
Green sand.

OIL . . .
Mineral.

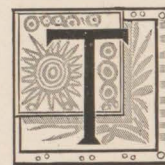
SPRINGS . . .
Sulphur, chalybeate, freestone, and alum.

TIMBER . . .
Cherokee County contains 428,476 acres of standing timber: yellow pine, curly pine, white, live and black oak, walnut, mesquite, and many other varieties of hard woods. Furniture factories, novelty works, wagon works, car works, and kindred industries can find no better location.

COTTON . . .
The value of the cotton crop produced in this county in 1889, was \$633,285, and the amount, 14,073 bales. Sufficient cotton is raised within hauling distance, by wagons, of New Birmingham to supply a cotton mill of 25,000 spindles. The crop could easily be increased. Mr. Stephen Greene, an expert from Massachusetts, has reported that a mill of 6,000 to 7,000 spindles would pay here. Donations in land and cotton to the amount of \$25,000 could probably be obtained.

FRUIT . . .
There are few better sections in the United States for raising fruit. Grapes, apples, pears, peaches, plums, and figs grow in abundance. Canning factories are profitable industries in other towns near us. We need one here.

IRON ORES



HIS COUNTY, and particularly this section, has large and valuable iron ore deposits.

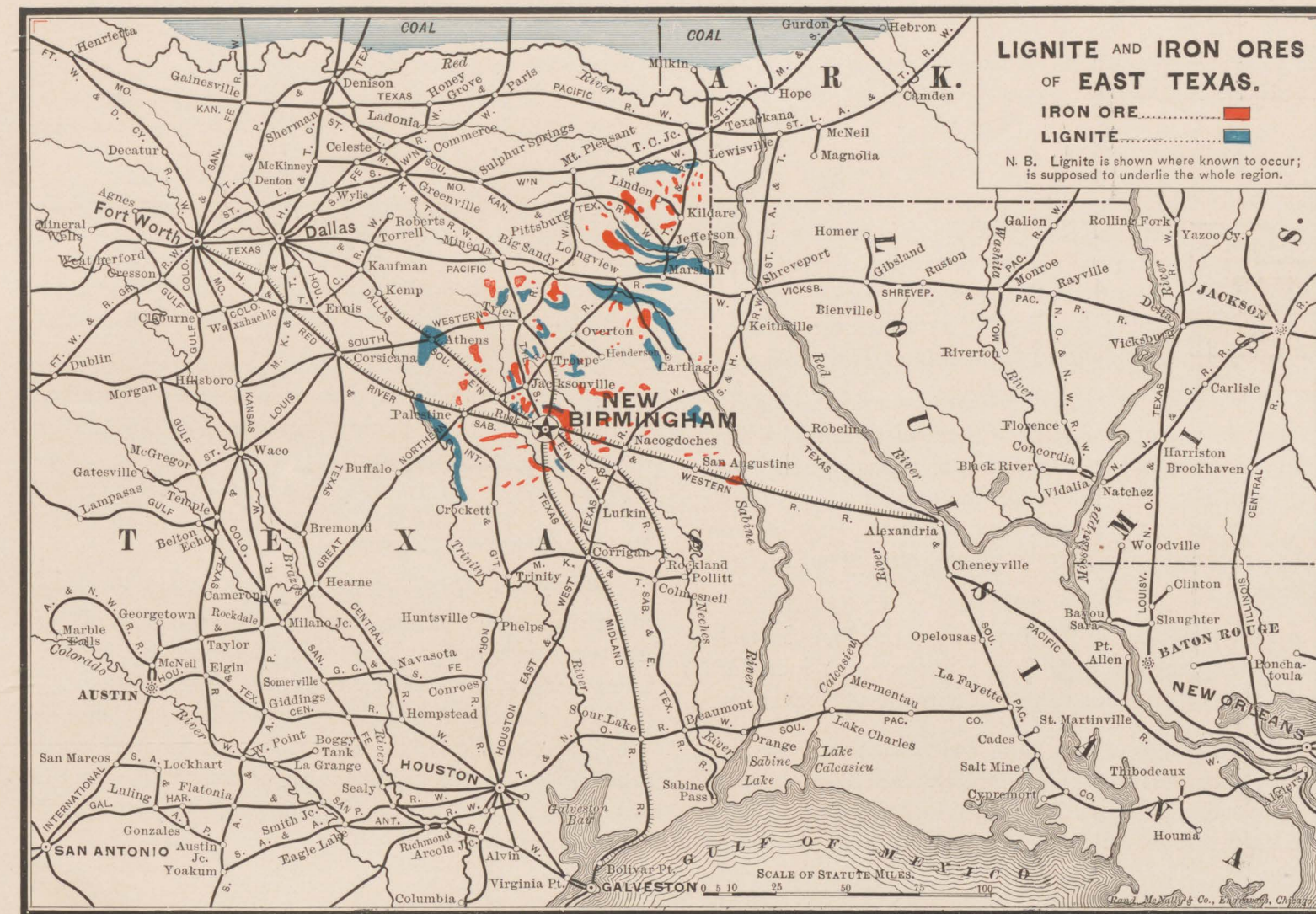
The old elevated tertiary plain, originally covered with blanket deposit of iron ore, has since been eroded into hills and ridges.

The ore is found capping all the hills and ridges, covered usually by two to three feet of sandy soil.

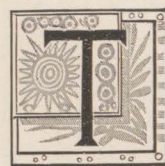
It is classed as bog ore, and varies from one and a half to seven feet in thickness and is found in a continuous and persistent ledge.

ANALYSES OF IRON ORES

PHILEO ORE	Silica	6.400
	Sulphur	0.865
	Phosphorus	0.102
	Metallic Iron	52.590
ORE, OLD MINE	Silica	13.000
	Sulphur	0.600
	Phosphorus	0.230
	Metallic Iron	49.540
ORE, OLD MINE	Silica	15.000
	Sulphur	0.420
	Phosphorus	0.083
	Metallic Iron	47.253



FUELS



THE EXISTENCE of iron ores in the State of Texas naturally directs attention toward the possibility of smelting them within the State, and the primary requisite of fuel commands attention.

This source at present is charcoal, upon which our earlier American Industry was developed, and which to-day is used in the production of a large quantity of pig iron, amounting during the census year of June 30, 1891, to 703,552 net tons. This amount of iron was produced in nineteen States, one of which was Texas.

The product of Alabama, now the first State in the production of iron, in the census year included, was 110,352 net tons of pig iron made with charcoal.

The great Southern Pine Belt which extends into Texas furnishes wood from which excellent charcoal can be made, and, in addition to the Yellow Pine Belt, the hard woods, which form a considerable portion of

the vigorous forests of East Texas, will produce charcoal of a superior quality.

It has been demonstrated that charcoal can be made in this section in kilns or ovens at a cost of from 4 to 5 cents per bushel.

It has been proved that 40,000 acres of timber will run a fifty-ton furnace perpetually, the timber reproducing itself in twelve years. There is, therefore, no danger of running short of charcoal.

BROWN COAL OR LIGNITE.

The State of Texas possesses immense deposits of this mineral treasure, covering a large part of her Eastern territory. The coal is frequently of the finest quality, far superior to that so extensively used in European countries, Germany producing alone, in 1887, 18,000,000 tons; and this coal is now used successfully in the manufacture of paraffine, mineral oils, illuminating gas, tanning material, tar, coke, and for *smelting* purposes.

It is known that there are large deposits of this lignite within fifteen miles of this city, and it is expected that our furnaces will utilize it in the near future.

Further, we are within 225 miles of McAlester, the celebrated coal region of Indian Territory, where they are now making coke equal to Connellsville, and

as soon as railroad facilities are complete, we can obtain this coke here at a cost not exceeding \$3.50 per ton.

We are also within easy distance of Galveston, through which we can obtain coke from Pocahontas and Middlesborough by rail and water.

COMPARISON OF LIGNITES

The economic value of lignites can only be estimated correctly from a comparison of the analyses of Texas brown coal with coals worked advantageously for many years in Europe. Their analyses must therefore be of the highest interest.

ANALYSES OF TEXAS LIGNITES

	Water.	Volatile Matter.	Fixed Carbon.	Ash.	Sulphur.
Rockdale, Milam County, analysis by J. H. Herndon.....	13.800	43.550	36.830	5.320	1.350
Leon County, analysis by J. H. Herndon.....	14.670	37.320	41.070	6.690	0.250
Laredo, analysis by J. H. Herndon.....	2.500	51.050	39.100	7.350	1.500
Montague County, analysis by J. H. Herndon.....	12.090	35.840	42.310	9.760	0.800
Hopkins County, analysis by E. T. Dumble.....	14.020	36.100	44.130	5.750	(*)
Angelina River, analysis by E. T. Dumble.....	16.230	32.540	37.770	13.460	(*)
Brazos River, near Calvert, analysis by E. T. Cox, of Indiana.....	11.000	39.500	45.000	4.500	-----
Average of a number of analyses of Texas lignites, analysis by W. V. Streeruwitz.....	12.600	38.100	47.750	11.550	-----
Atascosa County, analysis by J. H. Kalteier.....	14.000	16.000	56.000	14.000	-----
<i>Lignites rich in Bitumen.</i>					
Robertson County, analysis by J. H. Herndon.....	16.475	58.400	18.675	6.450	1.330
Atascosa County, analysis by J. H. Herndon.....	13.285	59.865	18.525	8.325	2.300

* Not determined.

ULTIMATE ANALYSES OF FOREIGN LIGNITES . . .

Jahresbericht der Chemischen Technologie, R. Wagner, Jahrg. xxxv, pp. 146-151.

	Carbon.	Hydrogen.	Hyg. Water.	Chemically combined water.	Nitrogen.	Ash.
Lobeditzer lignite	35.05	1.28	35.38	13.61	0.44	14.24
Braun kohle, no locality given	40.78	1.23	29.23	18.20	0.68	9.42
Braun kohle, no locality given	44.33	1.61	34.50	15.72	0.48	3.36
Duxer kohle	47.42	2.14	28.84	15.54	0.44	5.62
Duxer und Biliner kohle	45.74	2.22	31.66	13.79	0.48	6.11
Braun kohle, no locality given	45.98	2.05	31.27	14.43	0.48	5.79

For further information see above quoted work, "Brown Coals, their Economic Value, and comparison with Stone Coals in furnaces of different construction."

ULTIMATE ANALYSIS OF TEXAS LIGNITE . . .

	Carbon.	Hydrogen.	Hyg. Water.	Chemically combined water.	Nitrogen.	Ash.
Rockdale, Texas, analysis by J. H. Herndon	53.41	3.77	19.93	16.79	0.35	5.65

ANALYSES OF FOREIGN LIGNITES . . .

	Water.	Volatile Matter.	Fixed Carbon.	Ash.	Sulphur.
Koflach, Germany, analysis by Kerply	26.000	28.860	41.800	3.340	(*)
Vascovado, Italy, analysis by E. Kopp	21.800	26.480	42.520	9.200	-----

* Not determined.

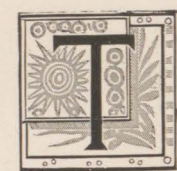
The following table, prepared and published by E. T. Dumble, State Geologist, in 1884, shows the comparative value of Texas and European Lignites of best localities:

	Coke.	Ash.	Heat units.
South of France	49.100	4.990	12.312
Mouth of Rhone	41.100	13.430	10.783
Hessen Cassel	48.500	1.770	11.826
Lower Alps	49.500	3.010	11.790
Golden City, Colorado	49.400	3.850	-----
Texas	58.000	10.000	12.520



The New Birmingham

IRON & IMPROVEMENT COMPANY OF TEXAS



HIS COMPANY, with a paid-up capital of \$3,500,000, owns nearly 20,000 acres of selected iron, mineral, and timber lands, lying in and about the city of New Birmingham, and the site of said city, and all of these lands are now being developed in the interests of New Birmingham alone.

The iron ore deposit underlying about 16,000 acres of these lands is pronounced by experts to be one of the best quality and the most extensive of any pure hematite ore body known within the United States.

The ore lands of the Company are all within easy distance of the city, and the present mining is being carried on half a mile from the furnace, on land that

is now platted for city lots, and will be sold as such when the ore is removed.

The quantity of ore is beyond calculation, but is more than sufficient to supply 50 furnaces for 50 to 100 years.

Cost of producing charcoal iron at the Tassie Belle furnace:

2½ tons of ore, at 55c. per ton	-	-	\$1.24
4-10 tons of limestone, at \$2.00 per ton	-	-	.80
110 bushels charcoal, at say 5c. per bushel	-	-	5.50
Labor	-	-	1.50
Salaries	-	-	.50
Interest and expenses	-	-	.85
Repairs, etc.	-	-	.50
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Cost of pig iron at furnace, per ton,	-	-	\$10.89

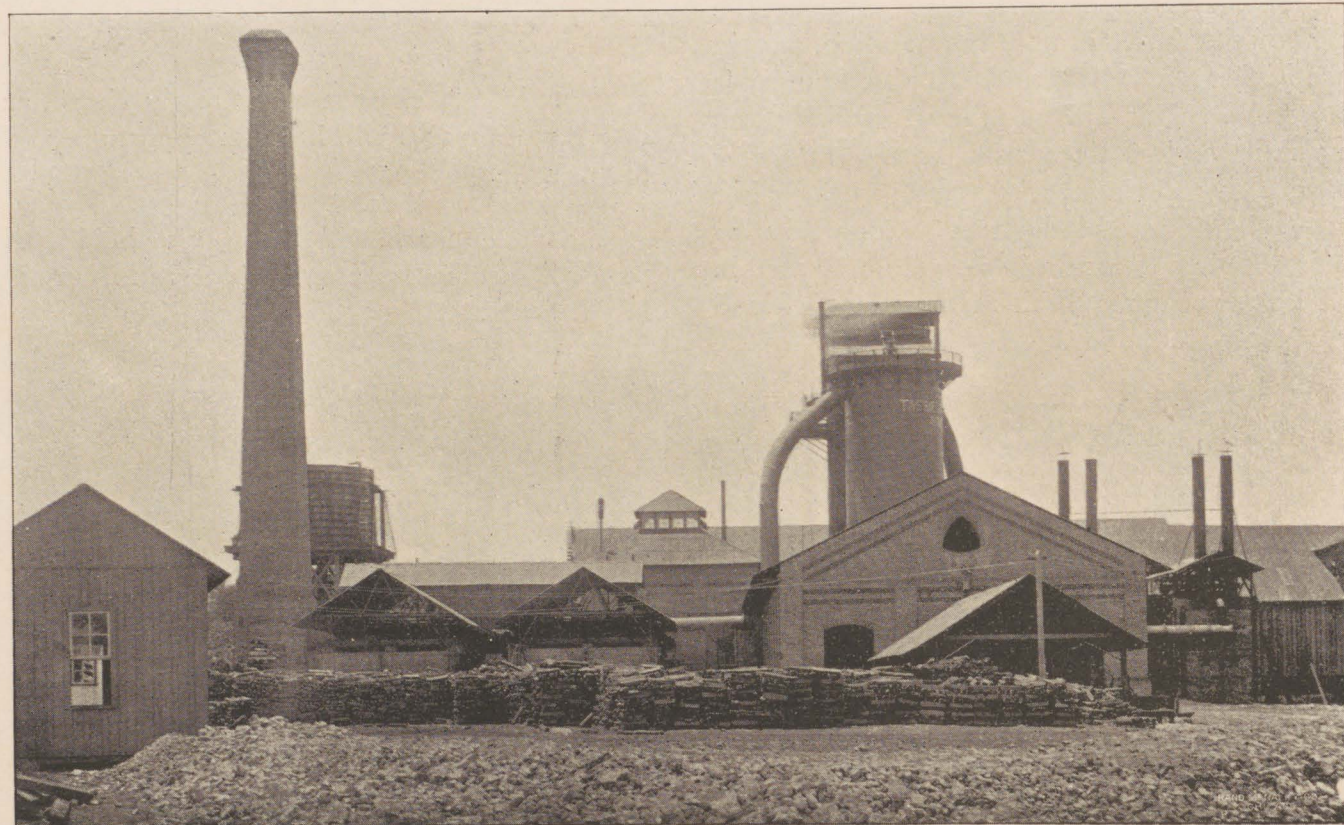
This Company will use its best endeavors to establish manufacturing industries to consume the product from the furnaces now in operation, and in pursuance of this plan a large modern pipe foundry is now being built. This will naturally be followed by a rolling mill, cotton tie works, cotton mill, car works, machine shop, nail works, wagon works, plow works, and other kindred industries. Companies or individuals wishing to locate here will be treated in the most liberal manner, both in donations of land and subscriptions in money.

REAL ESTATE

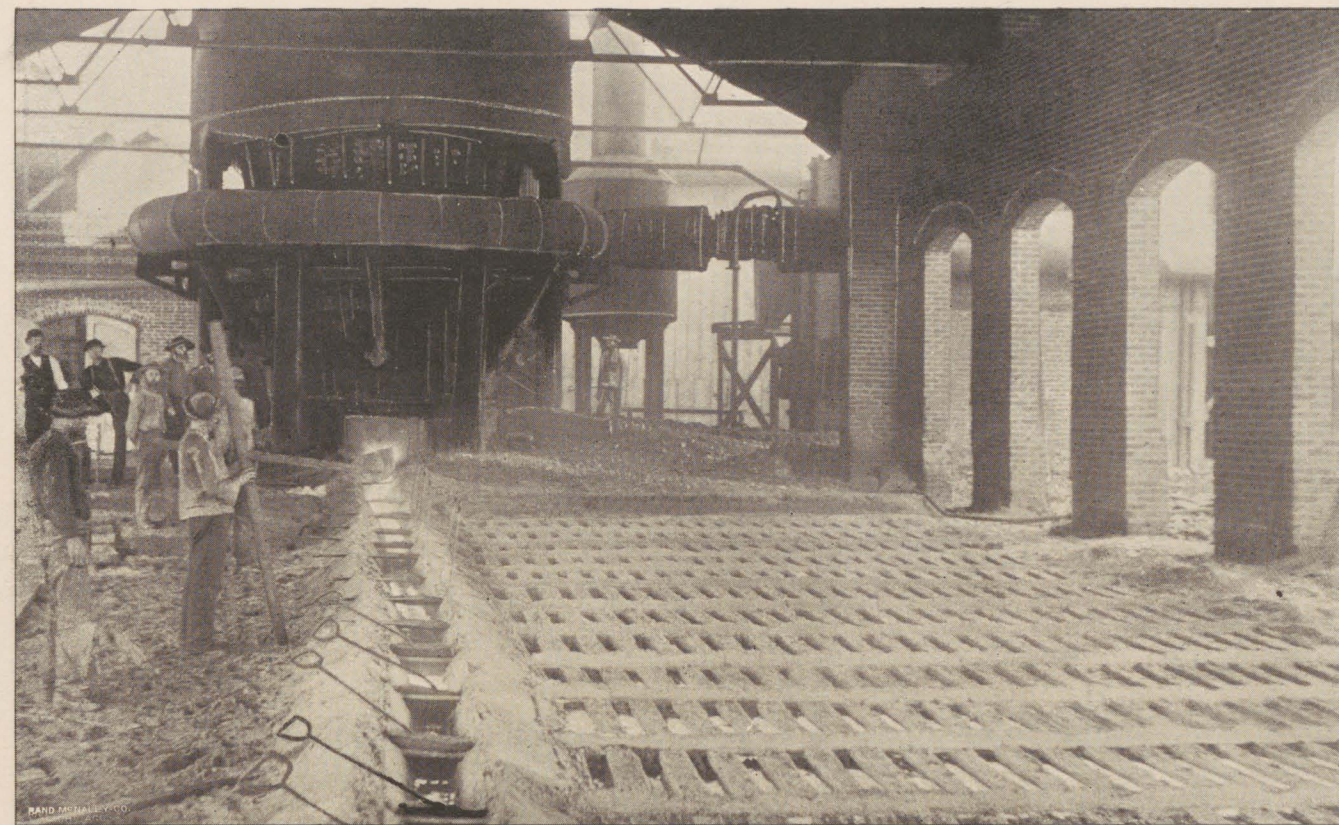
Lots in this city are exceedingly cheap, and any one investing now will have an opportunity of realizing very large profits.

An auction sale will probably be held in November or December, and excursions run from all points in the State.





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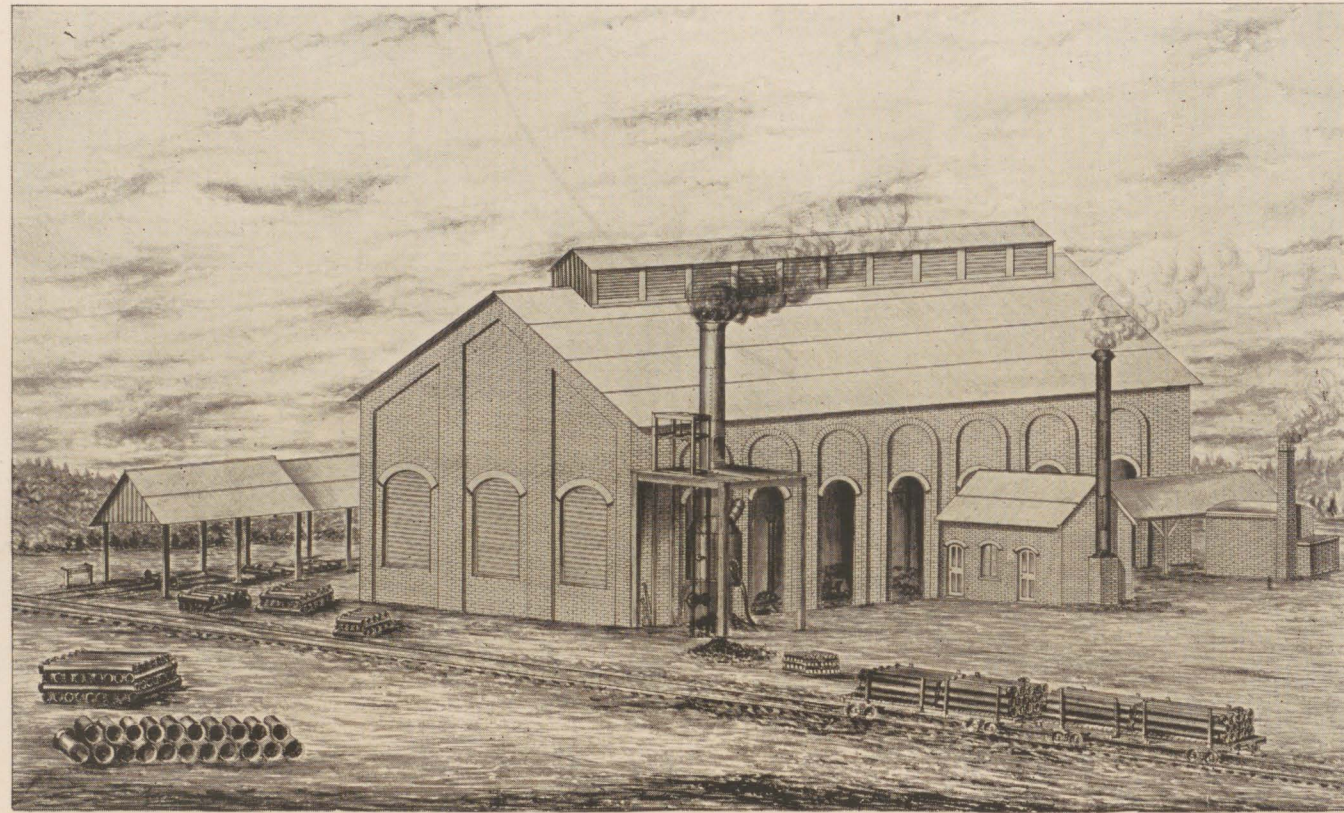
One-Half Mile from "Tassie Belle" Furnace.



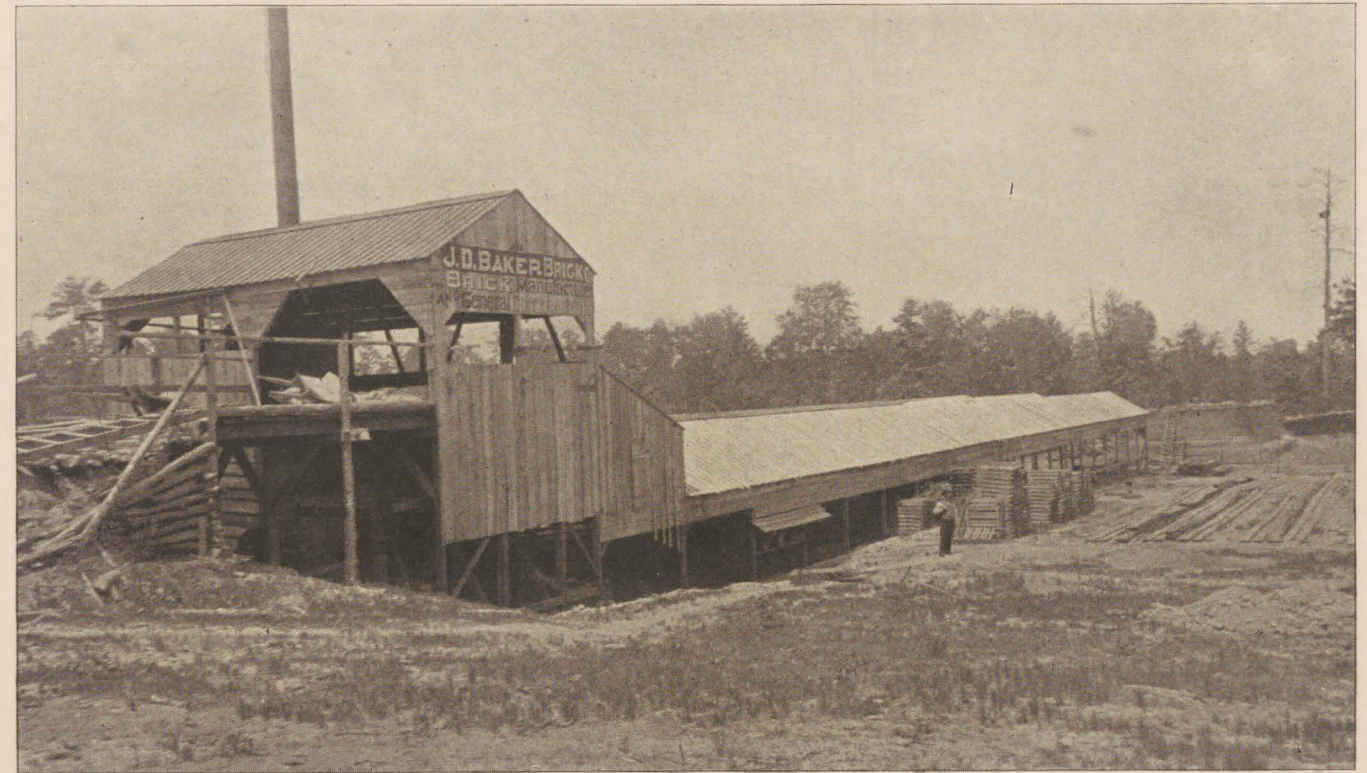
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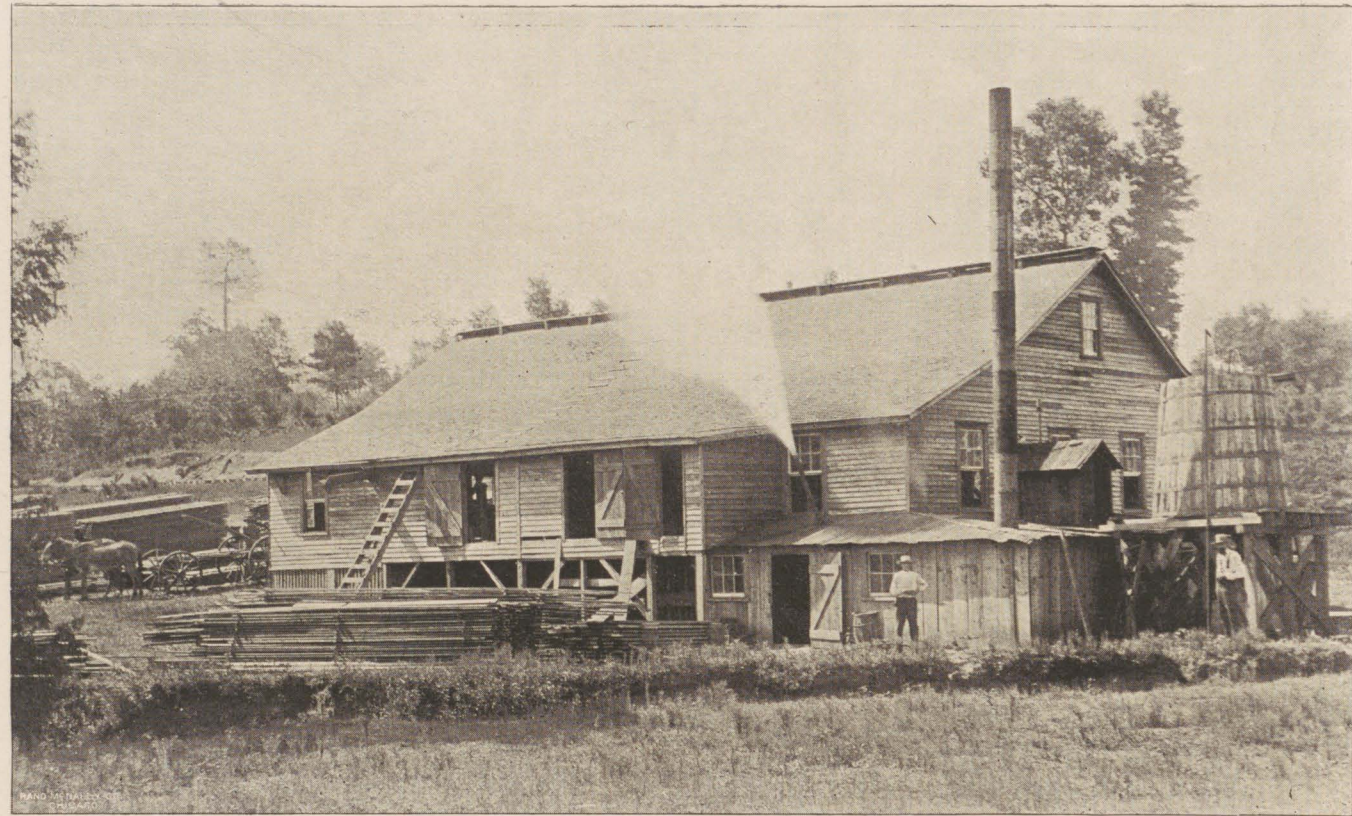
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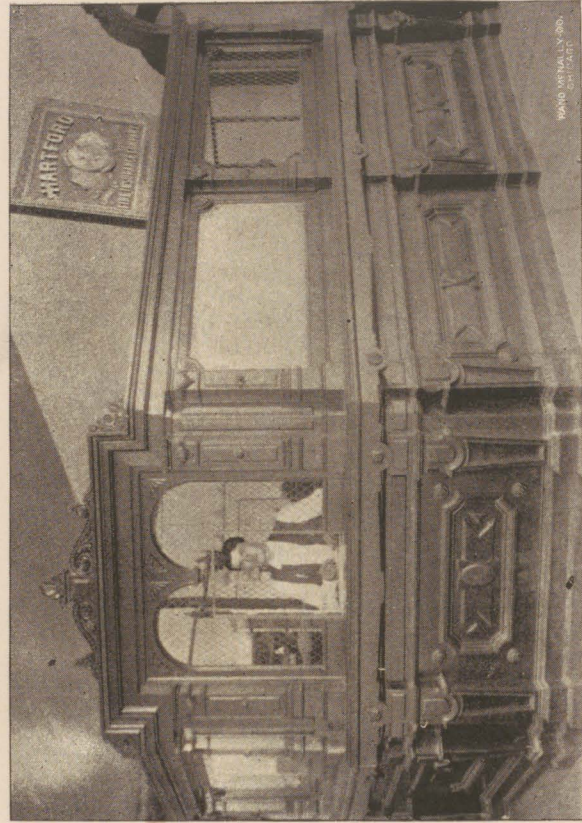
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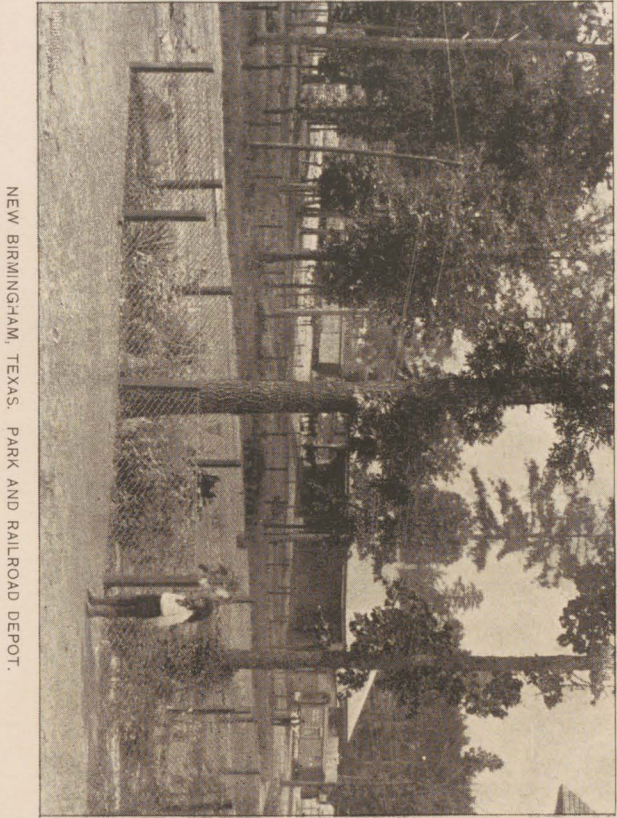
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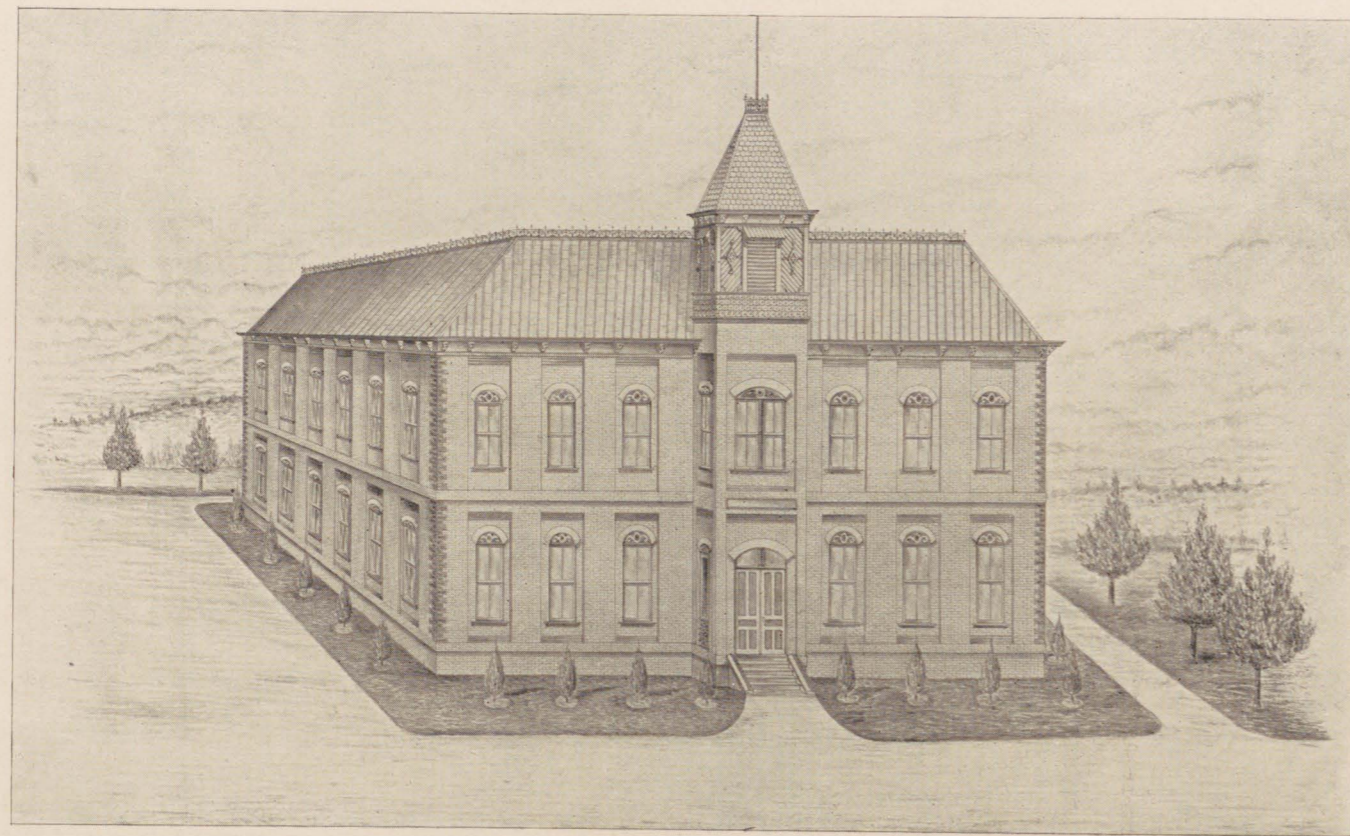


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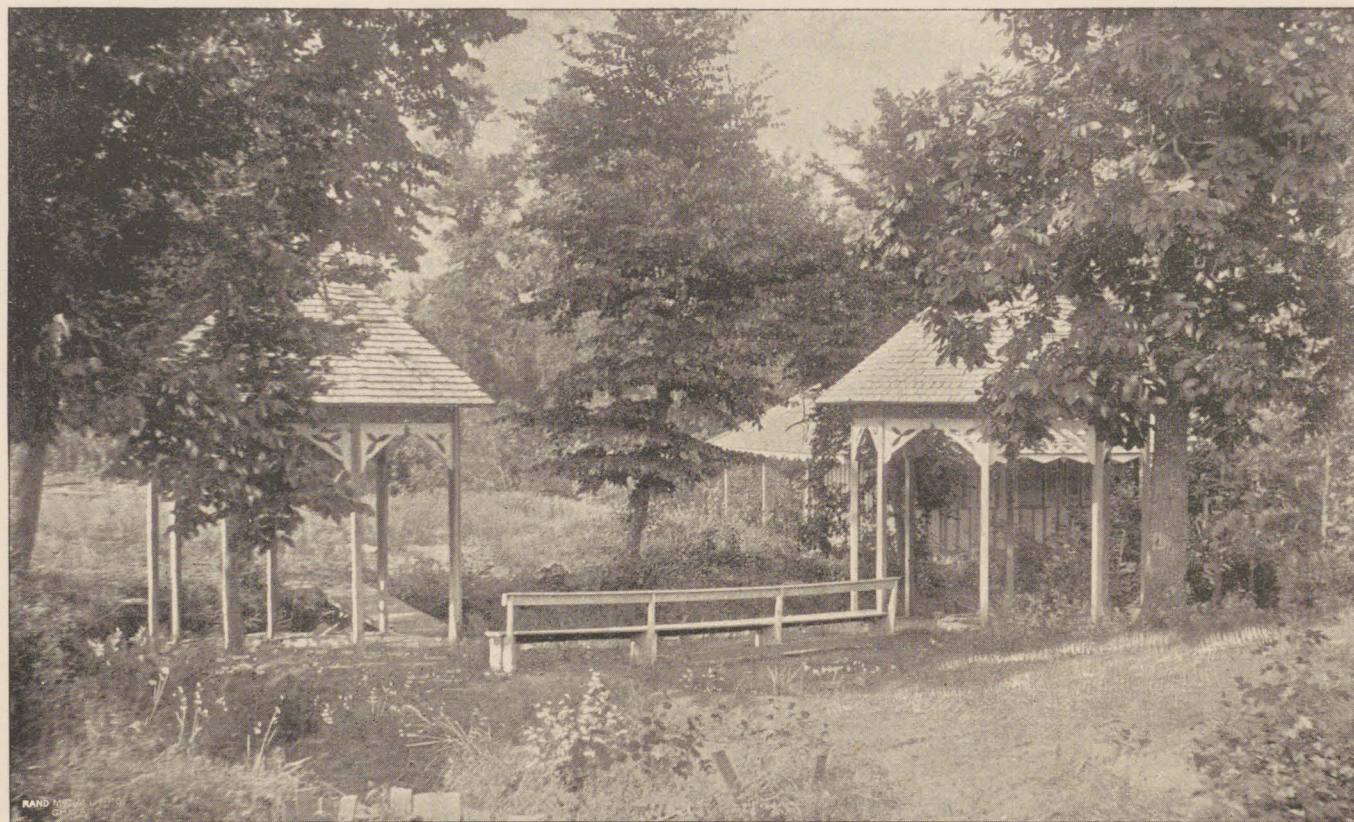
NEW BIRMINGHAM, TEXAS. VIEW FROM A. B. BLEVINS' RESIDENCE.



NEW BIRMINGHAM, TEXAS. RESIDENCE OF MAYOR JOE D. BAKER.



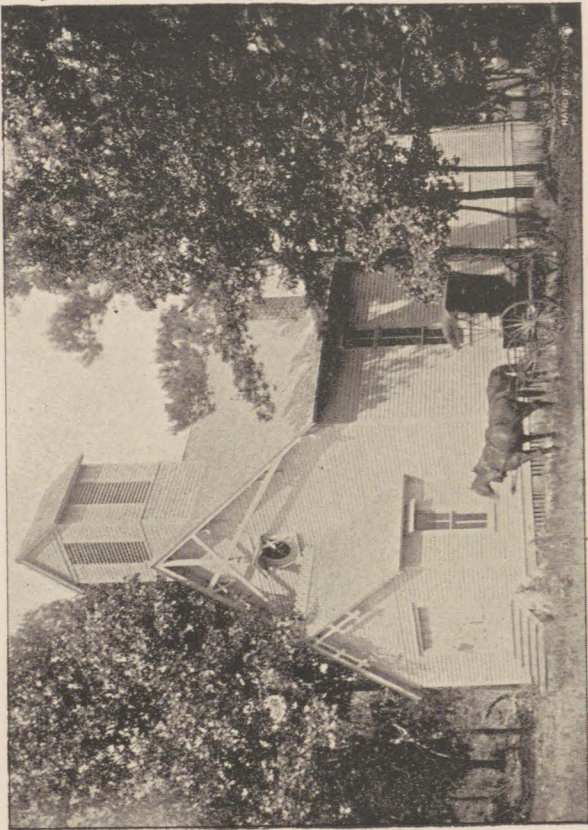
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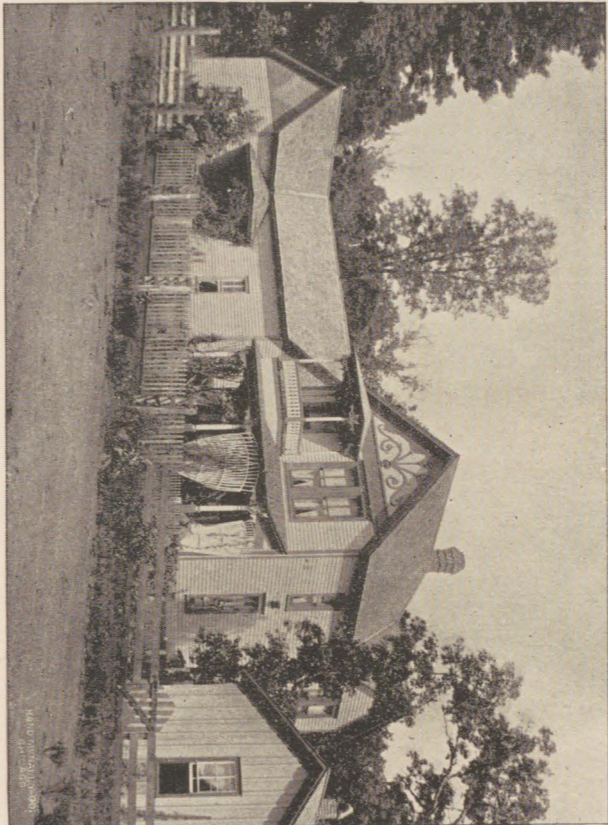
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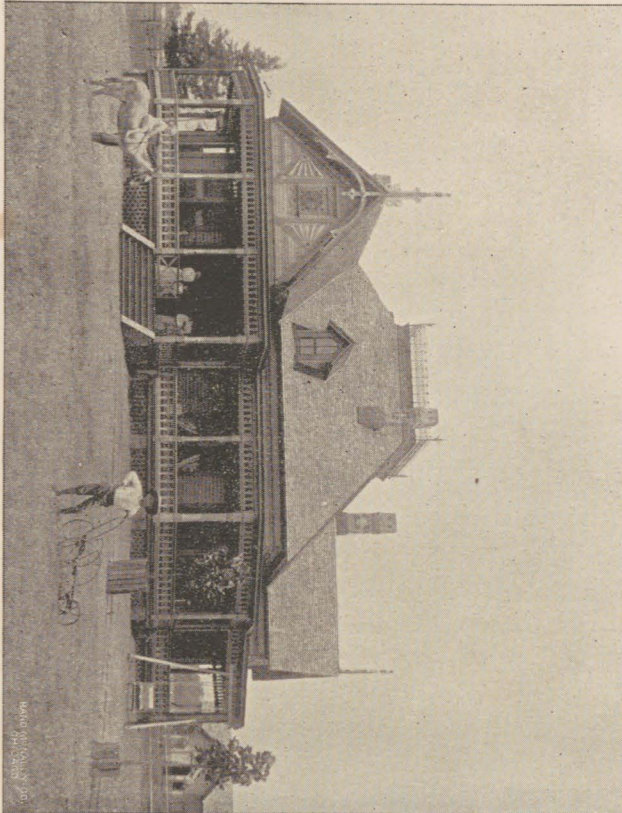
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Tassie Belle Furnace - - - -	150,000	Kansas & Texas Land Co. - - - 50,000
New Birmingham Pipe Works - - - -	150,000	Dickinson Land Co. - - - 100,000
Joe D. Baker Brick Co. - - - -	15,000	Number of brick business blocks, 15.
New Birmingham Electric Light & Power Co. -	25,000	Number of residences, 300.
New Birmingham Steam Laundry - - - -	5,000	Number of men employed at Tassie Belle Furnace and ore beds, 271.
Cherokee Manufacturing Co. - - - -	500,000	Amount of wages, etc., paid per month, \$15,000 to \$18,000.
Southern Hotel Co. - - - -	75,000	Number of men to be employed at New Birmingham Pipe Foundry, 50 to 60.
New Birmingham Ice Manufacturing Co. -	25,000	Number of men to be employed at Star and Crescent Furnace, 250 to 300.
F. W. Bonner & Sons' Bank - - - -	100,000	Assessed value of real estate, \$422,000. Tax, 50 cents on \$100.
New Birmingham Planing, Sash, and Door Factory	25,000	For further information address,
Times Publishing Co. - - - -	10,000	ALAN ARTHUR,
New Birmingham Building Co. - - - -	50,000	Manager Land Department,
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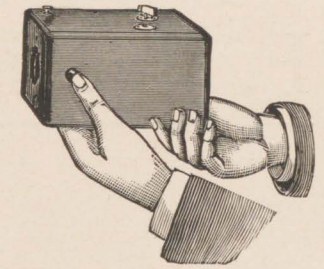
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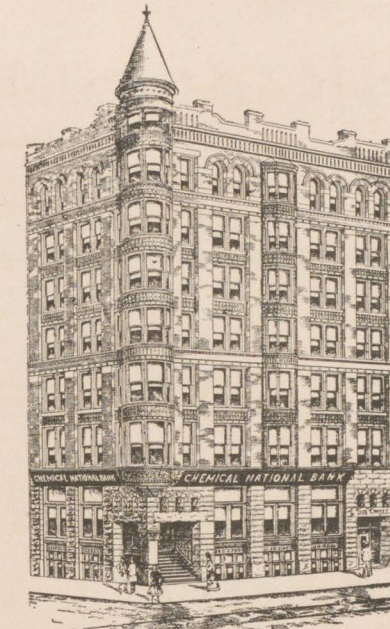
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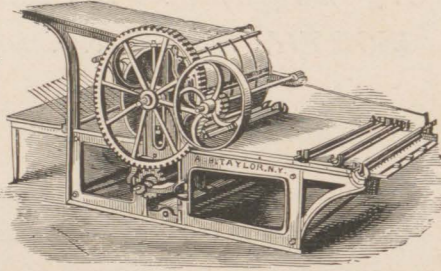
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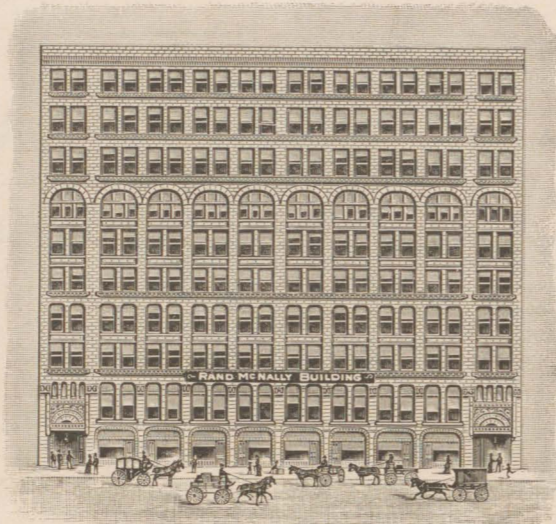


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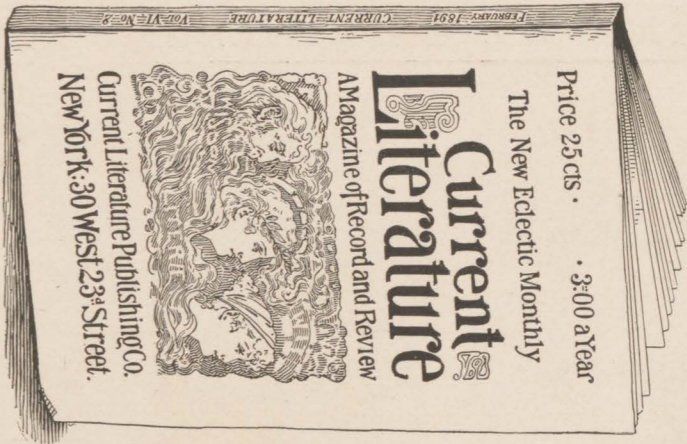
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