

city east of the River, of lots and streets; was at one period the agent of Bissell & Riley, in the prosecution of their enterprise upon the tract purchased of Enos Stone. He still survives at the age of 78 years. His surviving sons are, David Stilson, and Eli L. G. Stilson, an Attorney of Battle Creek, Michigan, Jerome B. Stilson, division engineer upon the Erie Canal, George D. Stilson, a contractor on the Erie Rail Road. Daughters became the wives of Dr. Caleb Hammond, and Gen. A. W. Riley, of Rochester, Roswell Hart, of Brighton; another the second wife of Gen. Riley, and another the second wife of Roswell Hart.

William Atkinson was early on the east side of the River, the founder of the mills now carried on by Charles J. Hill. Hobart Atkinson, of Rochester, is a son of his; the widow is now the wife of the Rev. Chas. G. Finney. William Nefus came in as the miller of Mr. Atkinson; his widow still survives; his daughter is the wife of Nelson Curtis. Mr. Nefus was an early tavern keeper on the east side of the River.

In 1817, there was residing on present city limits, on the Brighton side, other than those already named, Aaron Newton, Moses Hall, Ebenezer Titus. In that portion of the now city there was not twenty acres of cleared ground. There was little else than primitive wood's roads in any direction. Along where St. Paul street now is there was a dense forest of evergreens, hemlock, spruce and cedar.

The brothers, M'Crackens, were as early as 1805 or '6, Pioneers in the neighborhood of Batavia. They removed to Rochester soon after the war. Dr. David M'Cracken was a prominent citizen of the old county of Genesee. A tract of land he purchased near Deep Hollow, on the River, is now embraced in the city. He died at an advanced age five or six years since, childless. Wm. J. M'Cracken, was an early tavern keeper in Frankfort, still survives, a resident with his son-in-law, Henry Blanchard. A daughter of Gardner M'Cracken, is the widow of "Capt. Scott," the afterwards Col. Scott, of the U. S. Army, who was killed in the Mexican war.

Other early landlords in Rochester, who have not been named, Charles Millerd, Henry Draper, — Elliott. The daughters of Dr. Ensworth who has been named in another connection, became the wives of John Shethar, Benjamin Campbell, and Rufus Meech. George Ensworth, an only surviving son, resides in New York.

Warham Whitney was from Northampton, Mass.; removed to Rochester in 1820; was one of the early enterprising millers; a flourishing portion of the city on the west side of the River, south of what was Frankfort, has grown up on his farm. He died in 1841. His surviving sons are, George L. Whitney and James Whitney, of Rochester. Daughters became the wives of John Williams and Samuel G. Andrews. John Whitney, a brother of Warham, preceded him in Rochester; has in later years been a res-

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