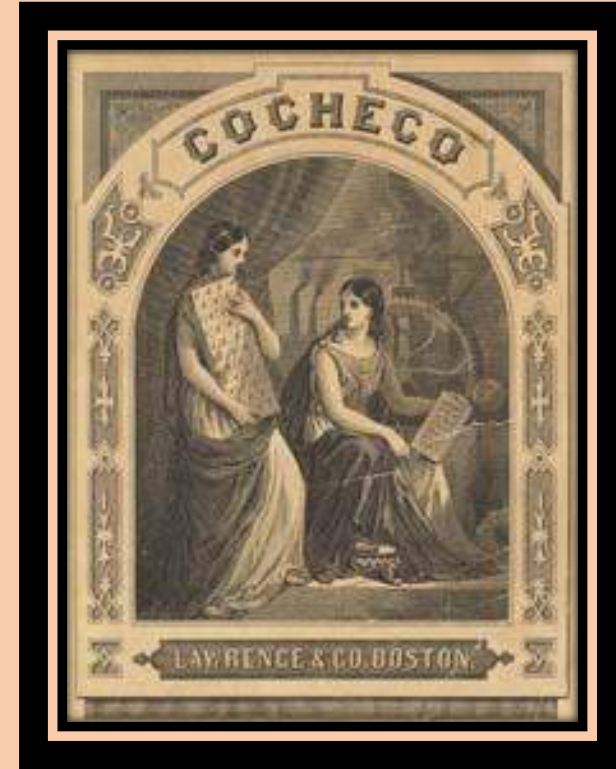


# THE COTTON MILLS OF DOVER, NH



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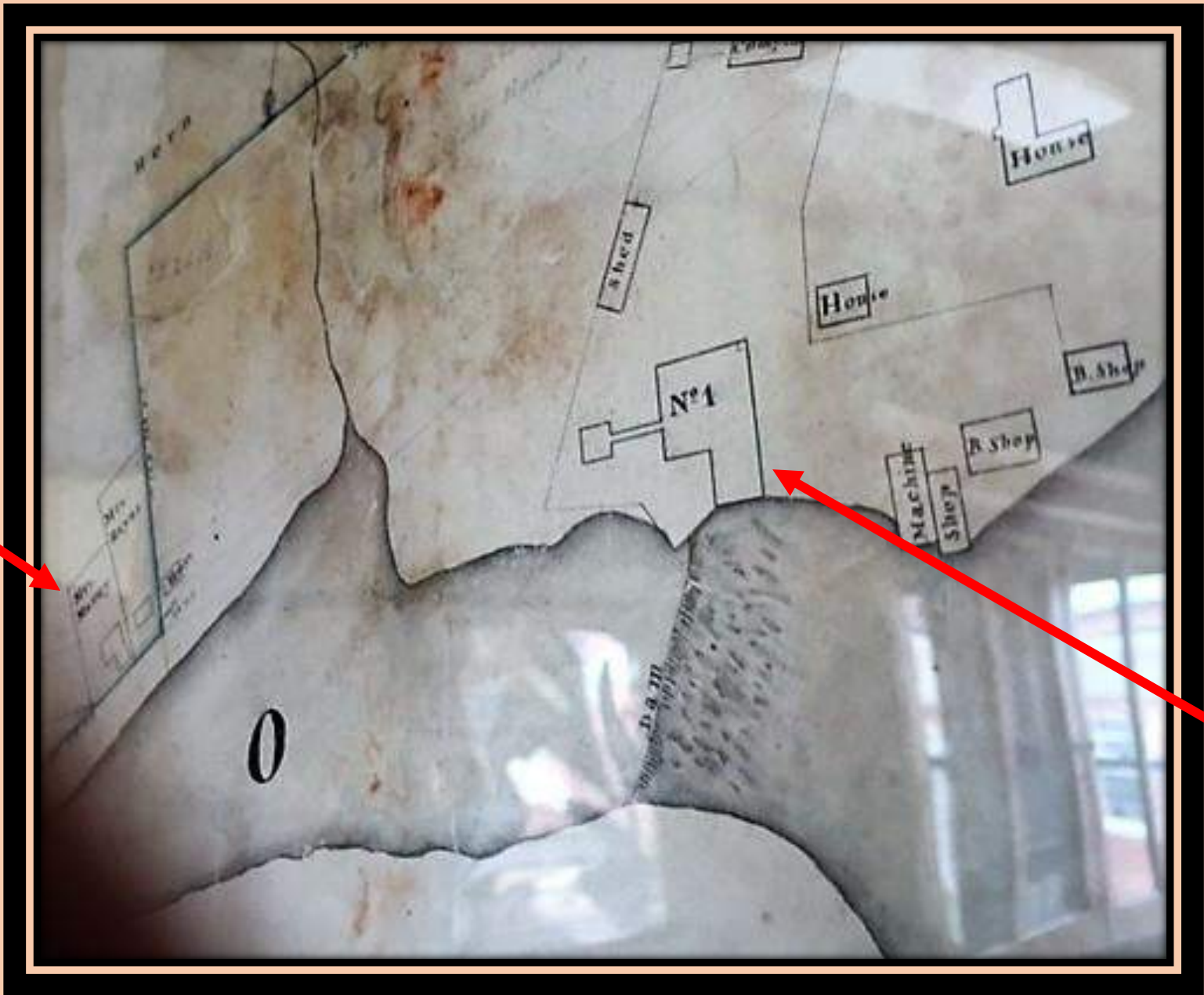


**JOHN WILLIAMS, 1780--1843**





**45 SILVER ST., DAME TEBBETTS TAVERN  
"FISH AND POTATOE CLUB"**

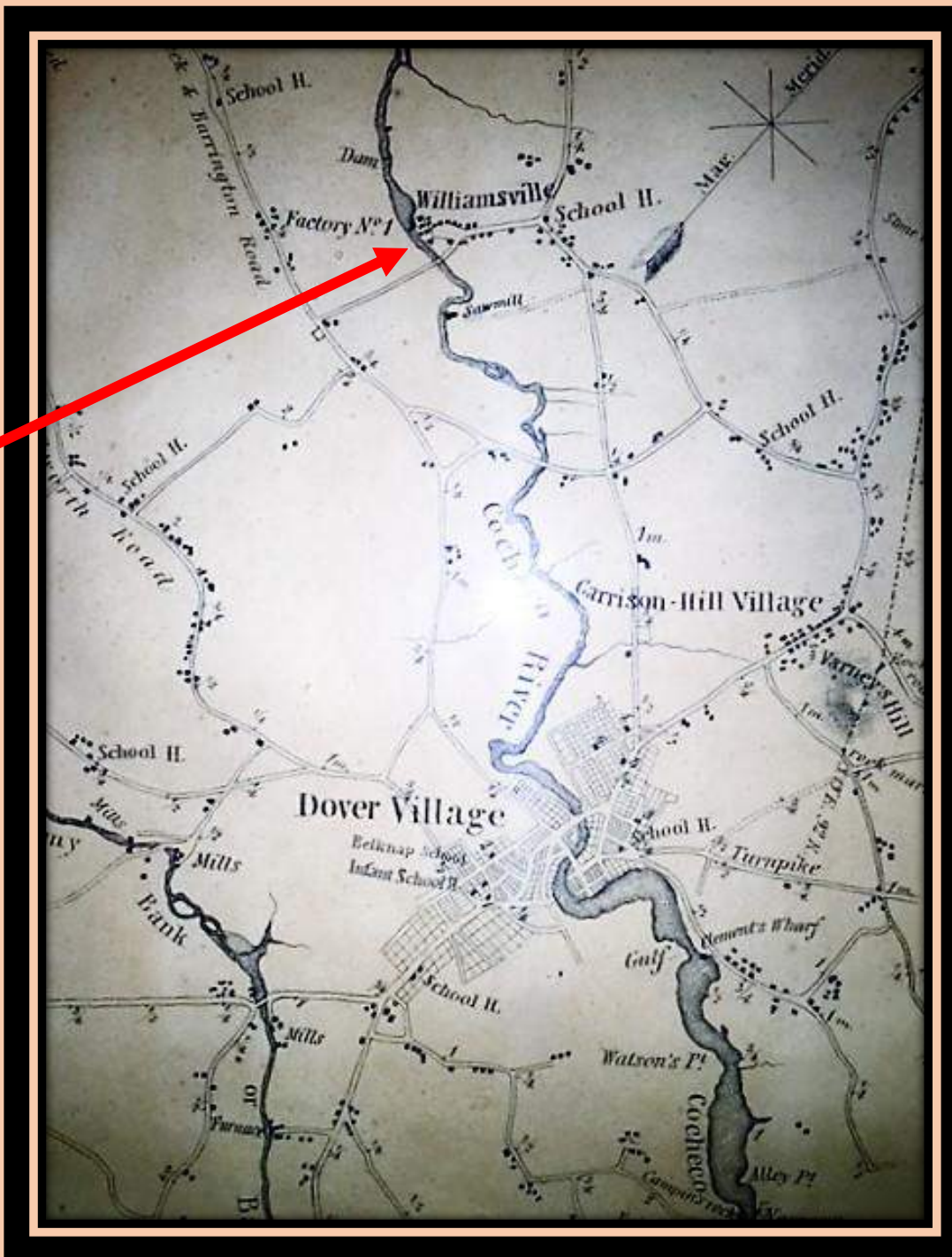


**BOARDING HOUSES**

**DOVER  
COTTON  
FACTORY**

**UPPER COCHECHO RIVER, 1815**

Williamsville  
(1834 map)





PACIFIC MILLS

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COCHECO MFG. CO.

JUNE 27, 1827

D. M. Co.

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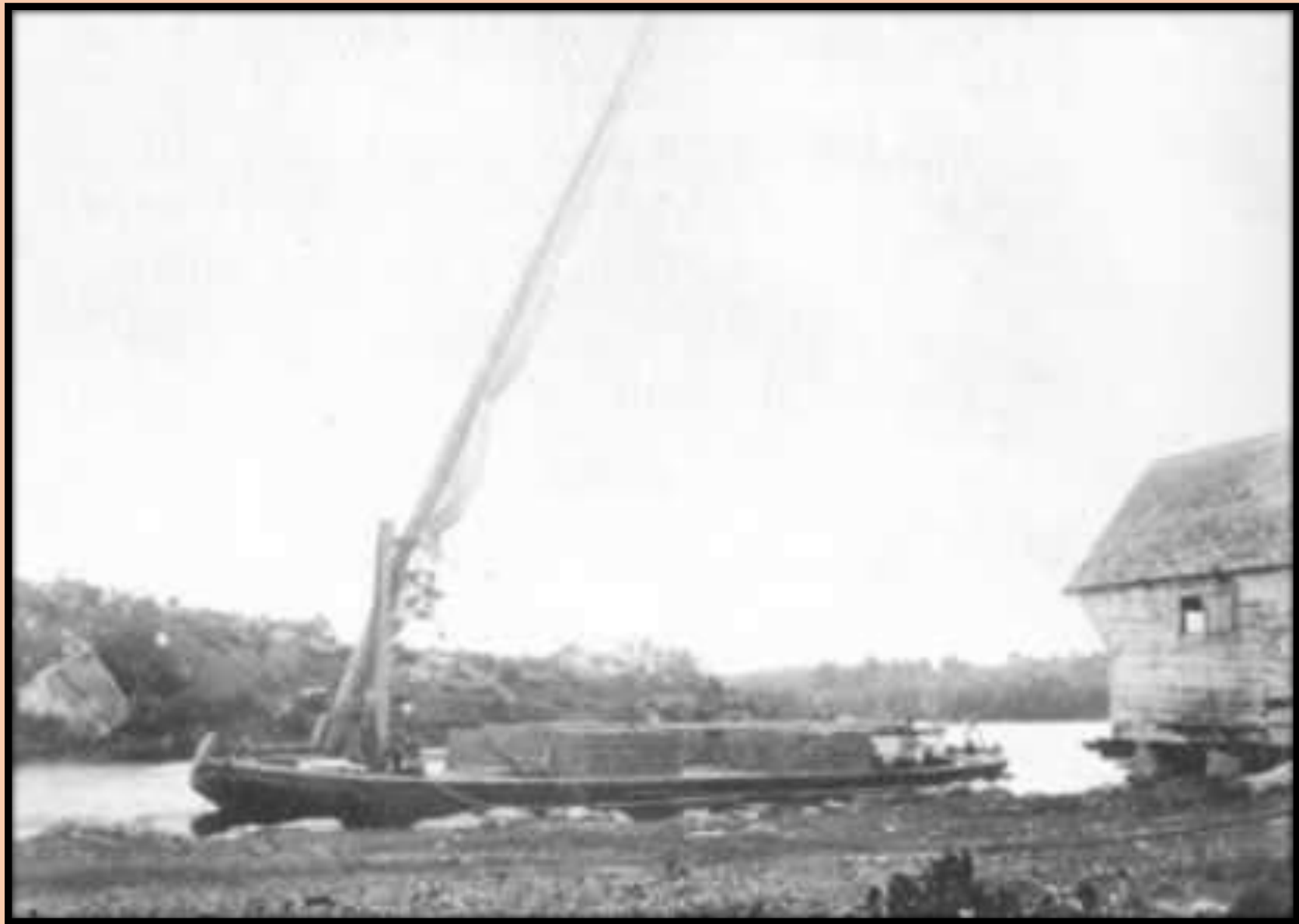
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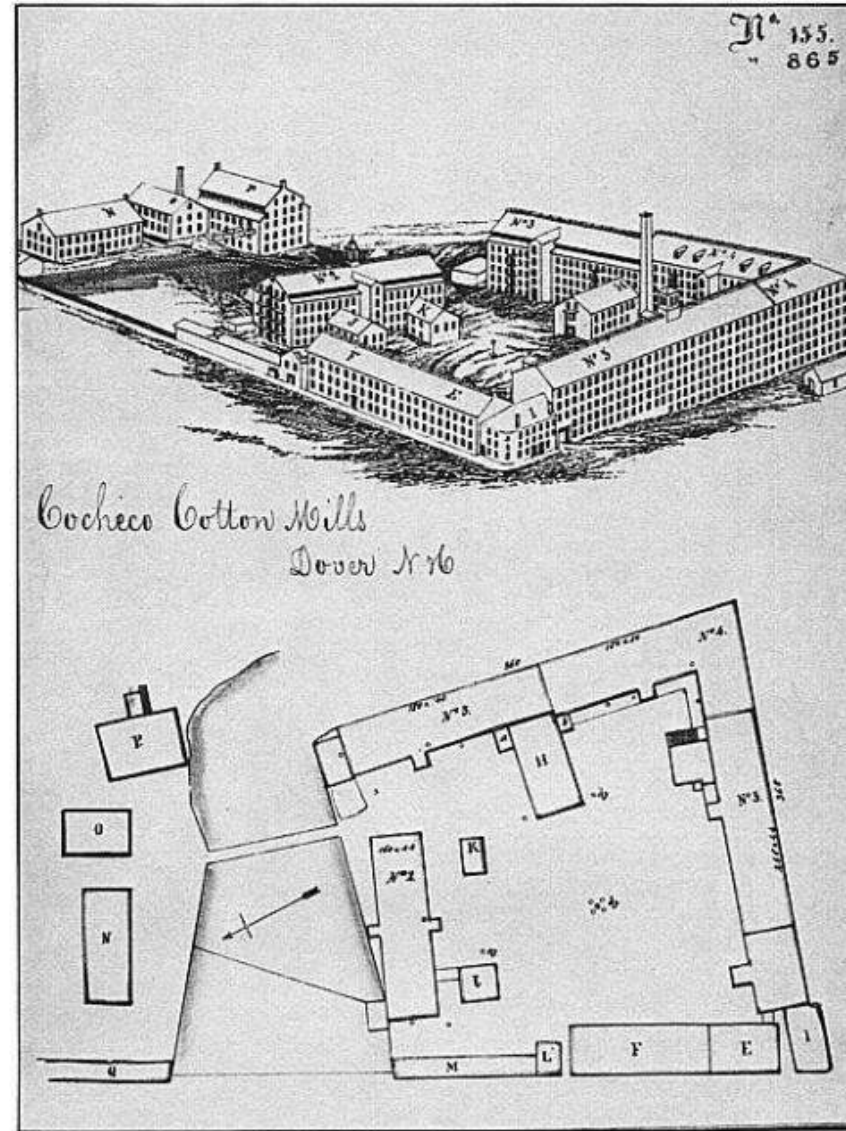


FIG. 7. DOVER MANUFACTURING COMPANY (LATER COCHECO MILLS), DOVER, N.H. from c. 1860-75 Insurance survey owned by Factory Mutual Engineering Co., Norwood, Mass. (photo Randolph Langenbach)



## WANTED TO HIRE,

**A**T the DOVER COTTON FACTORY, Upper Establishment, fifty smart, capable GIRLS, between 12 and 25 years of age, to work in the Factory, to whom constant employ and good encouragement will be given—none need apply unless they come well recommended.

In addition to the above, they would like to hire Families, containing a large number of GIRLS, from 12 to 25 years of age to work in the Factory, and would employ the parents about other work. Any persons applying as above, must bring undoubted recommendations of their own character, as well as that of their children. Application may be made to J. WILLIAMS & I. WENDELL, Dover, or to M. PAUL, at Upper Factor.

August 20th, 1822.

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# RULES

DOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY  
DOVER, N. H.

TO BE OBSERVED BY THOSE WHO HIRE HOUSES

OF THE

Dover Manufacturing Company,

FOR THE PURPOSE OF TAKING BOARDERS,

OR OTHERWISE.

**FIRST.** All are required to be particularly careful of fires and lights, and under no circumstances to place any fires in any wooden vessel, or in the wood-house, shed or cellar. All are also required to pay suitable attention to the preservation of the property, and to see that it is not unnecessarily injured, as they will be held responsible for all damages which are the effects of design or carelessness, or beyond ordinary and careful use. It is required that the interior of the house, the out-buildings and yard should be kept neat and in good order.

**SECOND.** All persons taking boarders are required to close their houses at 10 o'clock in the evening, and not to allow of any card playing or gambling in any form on their premises. They will also strictly prohibit all intemperate drinking, and all profane and improper language.

The keepers of boarding houses are requested to have a copy of these articles kept in some conspicuous place in their respective houses.

JOHN WILLIAMS,

Agent Dover Manufacturing Company.



# RULES

FOR THE REGULATION OF PERSONS IN THE EMPLOYMENT

OF THE

## Dover Manufacturing Company's Establishment

AT DOVER, N. H.

**FIRST.** All females who are taken into the service in any department, will sign the "Notice Book," by which they obligate themselves not to retire from the service, except in cases where permission is given, without a fortnight's notice, by communicating her intention to the overseer of her room, who will make the same known at the counting room. Should she leave without permission, or without regular notice, she will be considered as having forfeited all the pay that then may be due to her.

**SECOND.** All females in the service will be expected to allow two cents each week (to be deducted from their wages on each settlement) towards the "Sick Fund," a fund established for their exclusive benefit, the present amount of which is now deposited in the Savings Bank.

**THIRD.** If at any future time the company shall make an arrangement for the erection of a church, an annual subscription, to an amount then to be decided on, will be required from all the persons in their employ for the support of religious worship. Until that time, it is requested that all persons be punctual in their attendance at one of the churches in town, extraordinary cases excepted.

**FOURTH.** All persons in the employ are required to be punctual to the ringing of the bell for work, and not to exceed the time allowed for starting the wheels. Persons belonging to one room, are not allowed to go into another without special permission, nor is any one allowed under ordinary circumstances, to remain in either of the factories during meal times, or after the bell has rung at night. It is required that sickness, or any unavoidable cause producing absence or tardiness, should immediately be communicated to the overseer of the delinquent's room.

**FIFTH.** All will be required to board in one of the houses belonging to the company, except where for special reasons, permission is given to the contrary; and

all will be required to be at their boarding houses by 10 o'clock in the evening, except in cases where there is reasonable cause for delay.

**SIXTH.** All profane or improper language is strictly prohibited, and its detection will subject the person to dismissal with disgrace. It is also requested, that each one should keep a watchful eye over her own conduct when out of the factory, that all may acquire and retain the respect and regard of the community.

**SEVENTH.** All overseers are required to exercise a vigilant care over the quantity and quality of the work produced in their various departments; see to it that their rooms are well regulated, and kept in uniform good order; and that there is no waste of the property of any description under their charge. They are to prohibit, during the hours of labour in their respective rooms, all unnecessary conversation, all reading, and all work except what is doing for the company. They will detect all mis-work and report the same, for which a fine in proportion to the magnitude of the injury will be assessed on the person guilty of the same, and any person purposely or carelessly injuring the company's property in any way will be held responsible therefor.

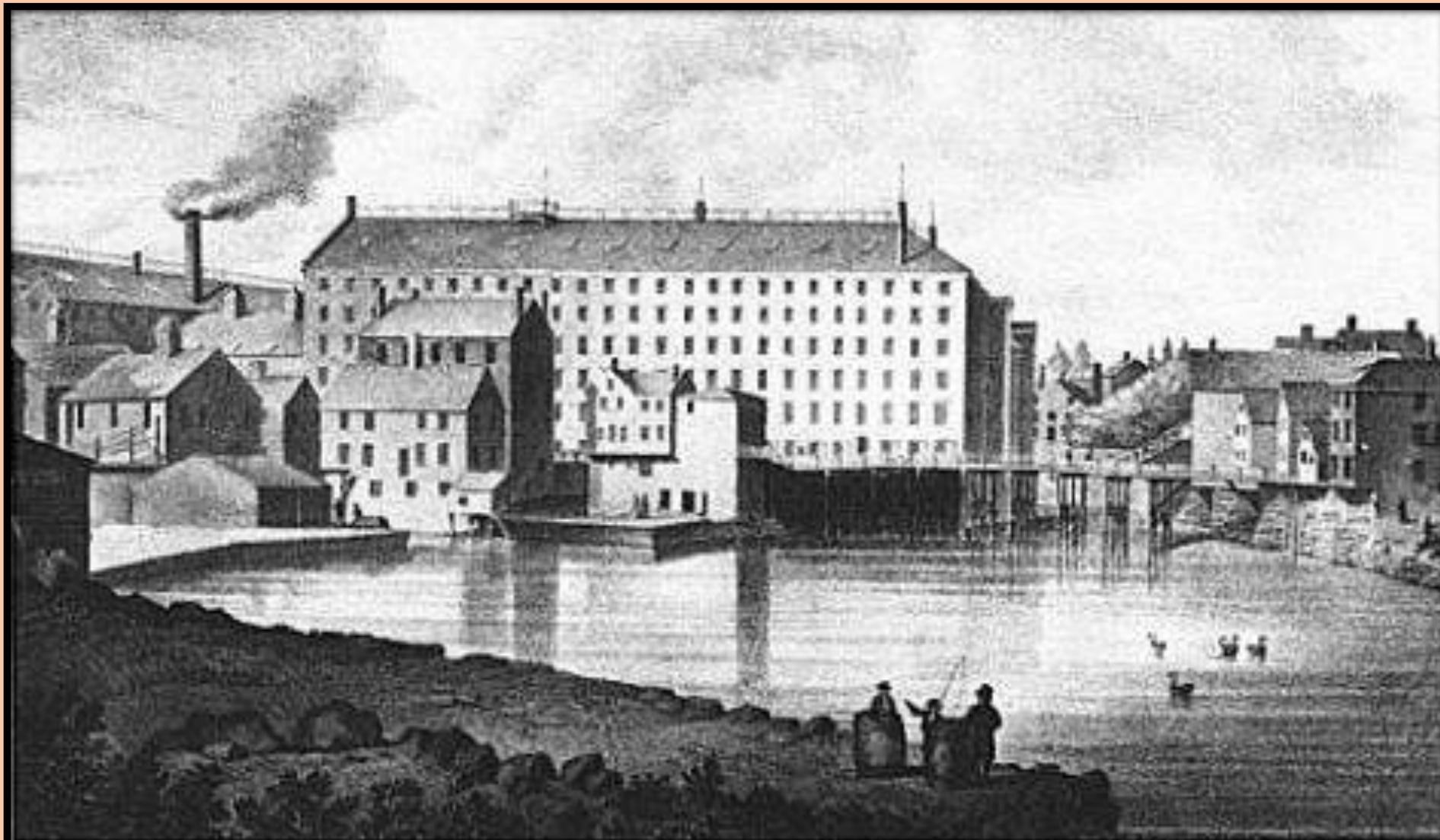
Overseers are at liberty to grant leave of absence according to their discretion in cases of emergency, or where the interests of their rooms will in no way suffer in consequence. It is required that no one should leave her work without permission. It is expected from the overseers, that by example as well as by precept, they will endeavour to enforce the rules, and properly regulate their respective rooms.

It is also expected from all the members of the various rooms, that the overseers be treated with respect, and their orders received with attention. Any person who has reasonable cause for complaint is requested to make the same known to an agent, from whom it shall receive such attention as the case may require.

**JOHN WILLIAMS,**

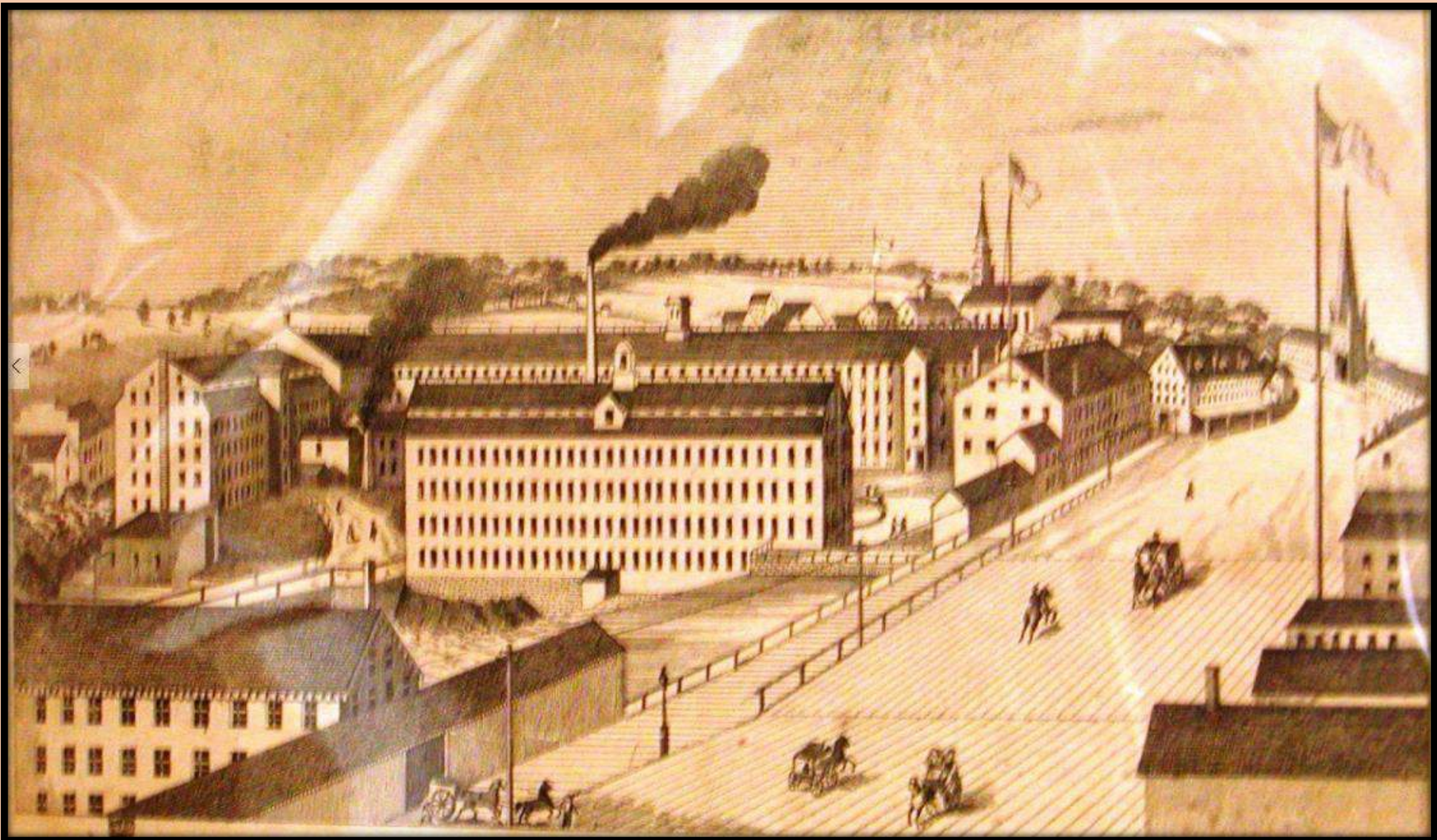
Agent Dover Manufacturing Company.

1826 Employment Rules

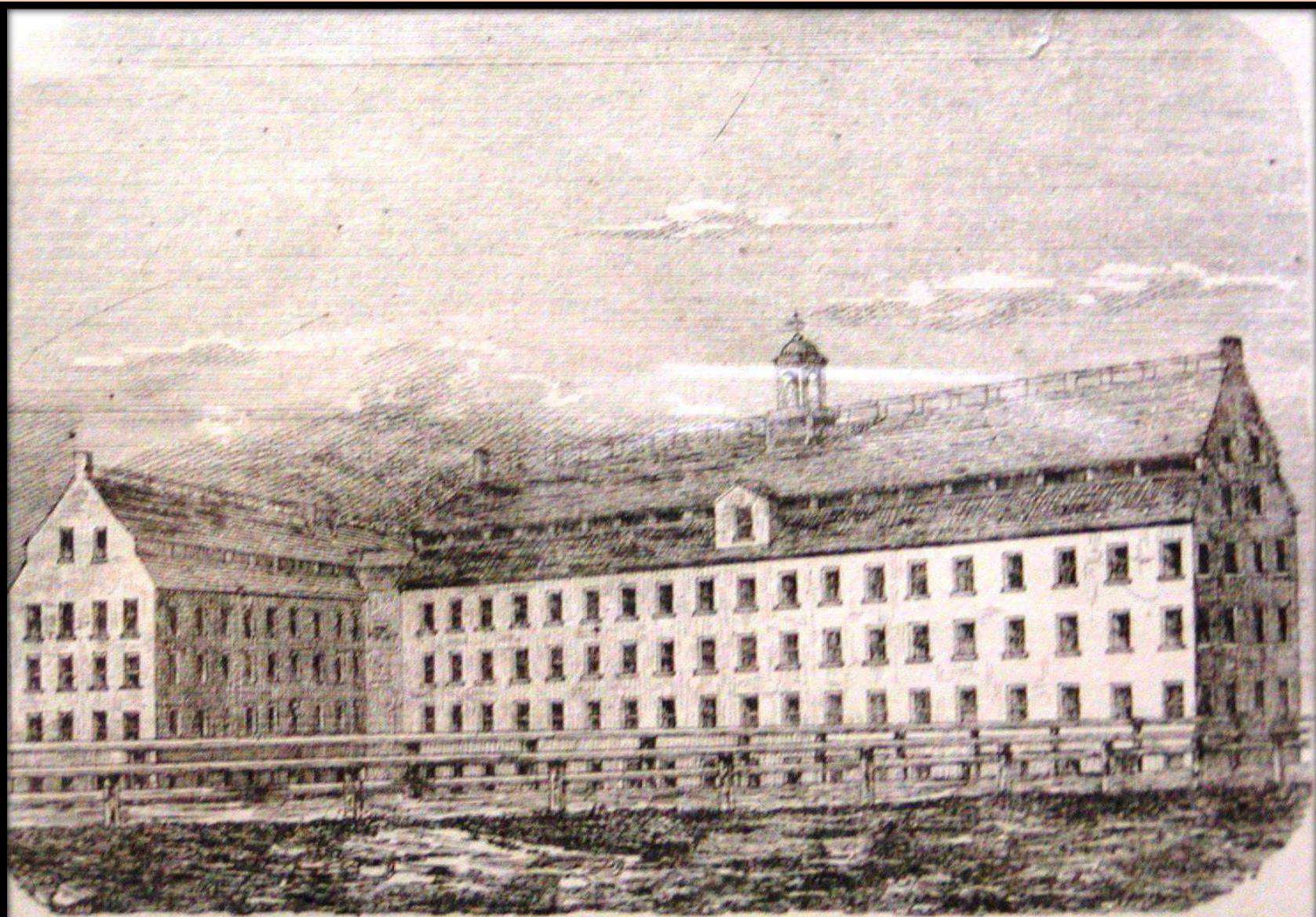


**FIG. 4. THOMAS EDWARDS, "LOWER BRIDGE AND FACTORIES, DOVER, N.H.," SENEFELDER LITHOGRAPH, c.1830. (courtesy Boston Athenaeum and Merrimack Valley Textile Museum)**



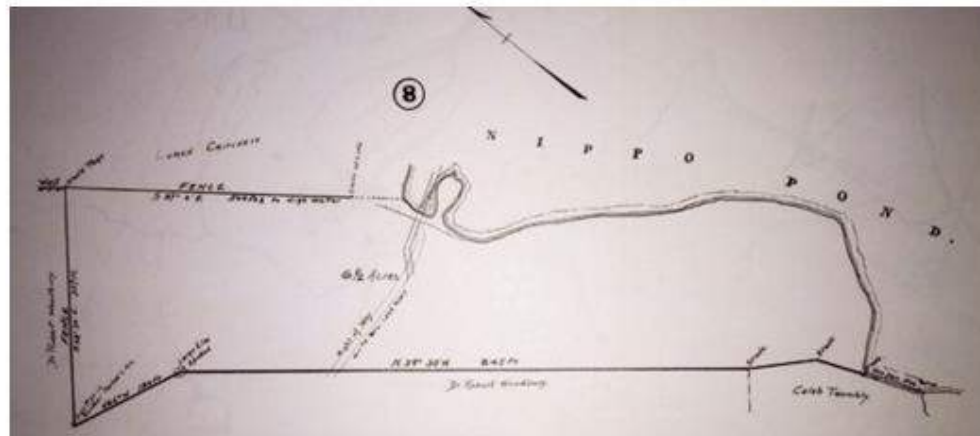
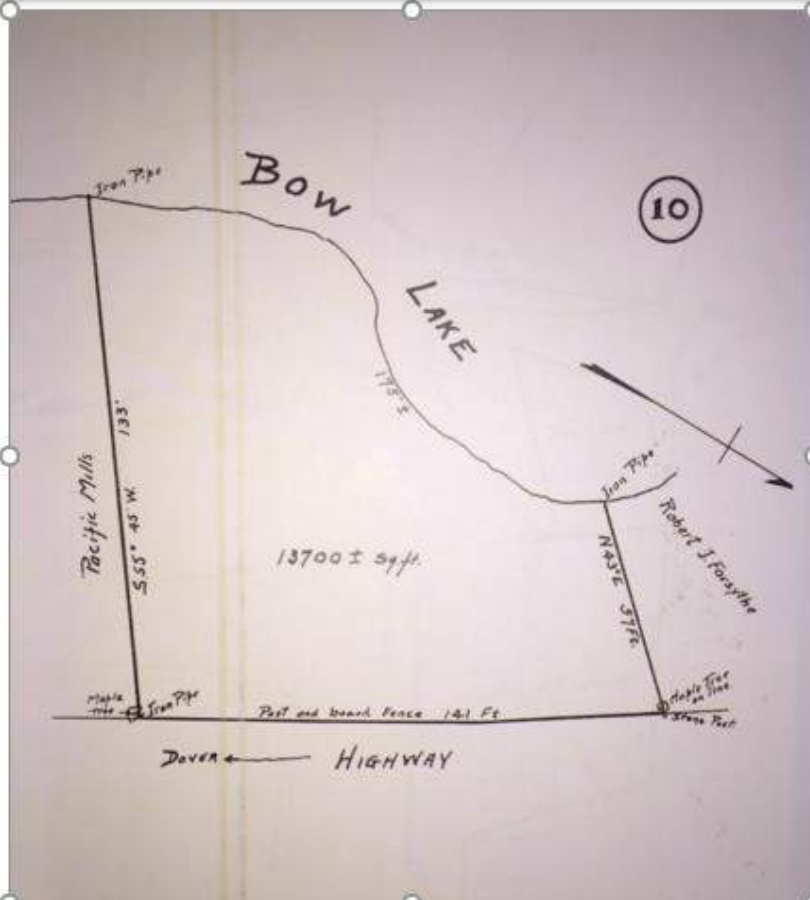


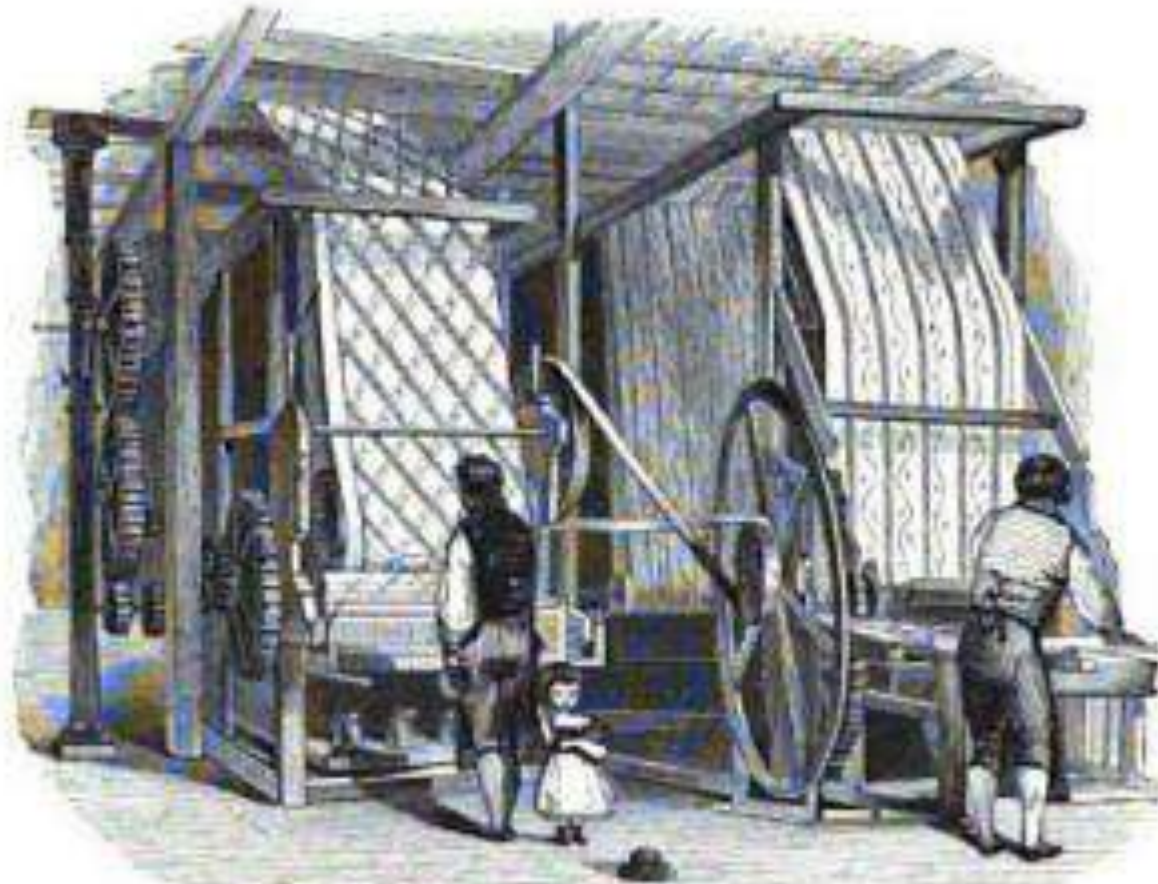




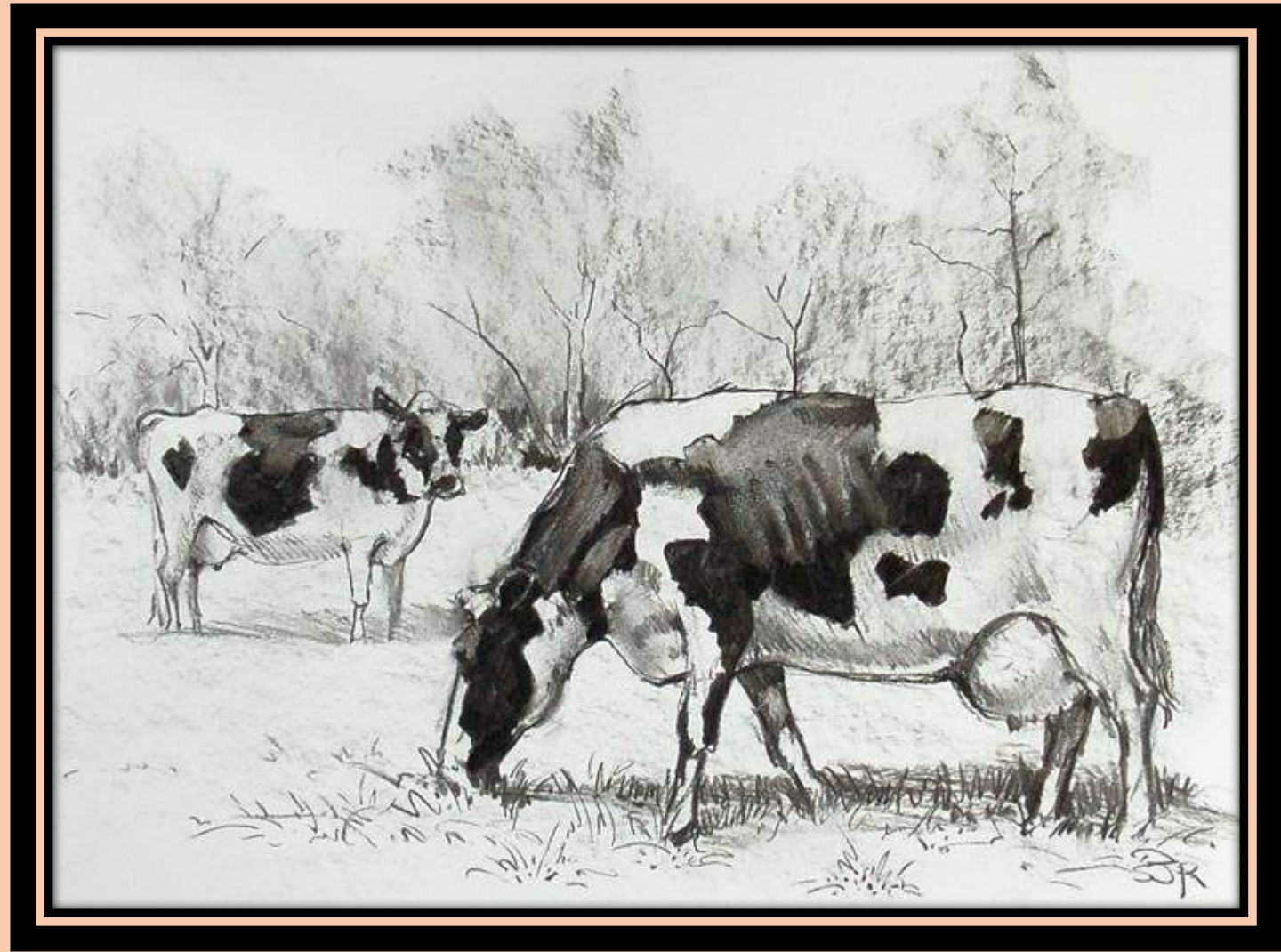
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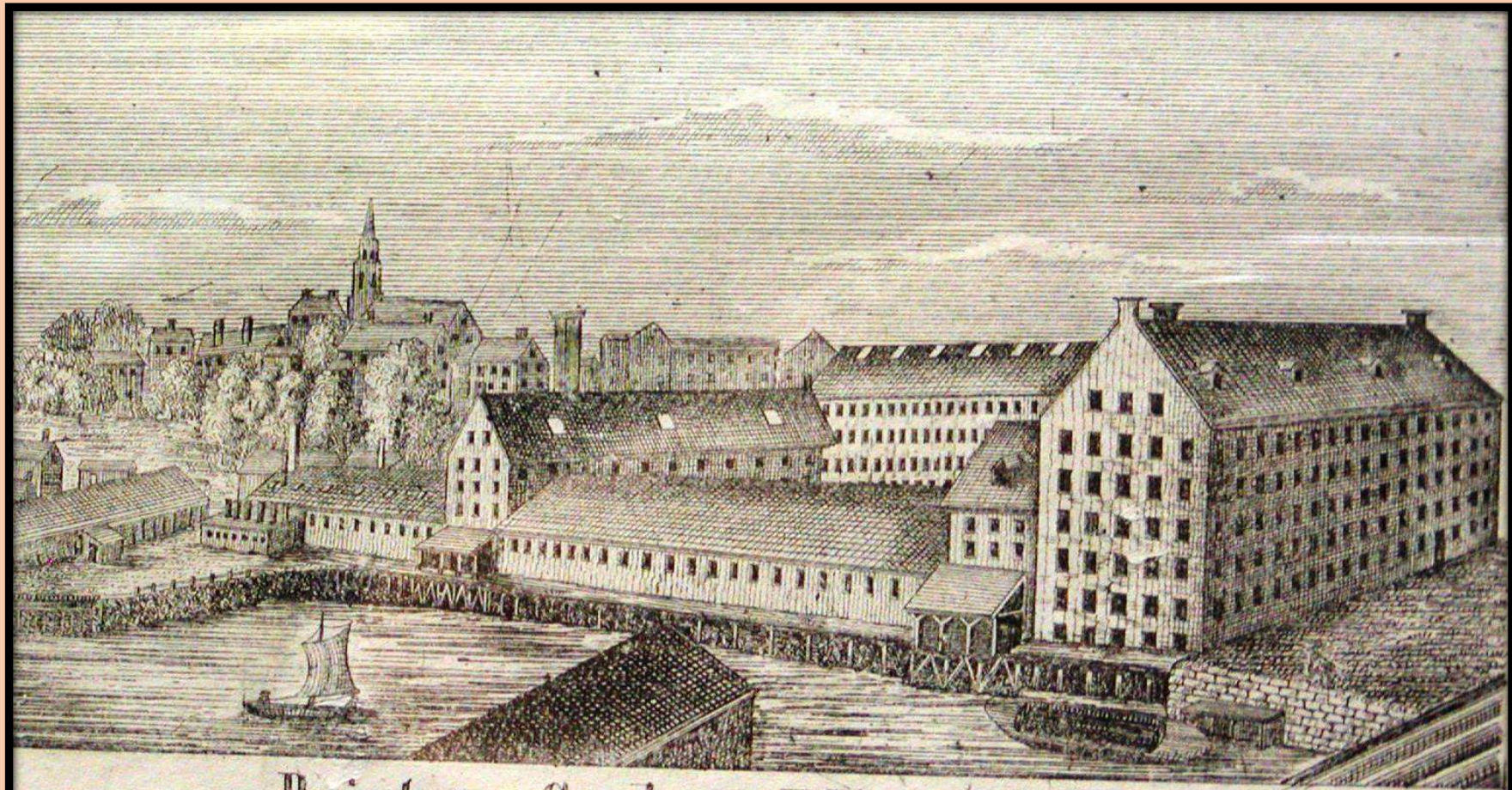






COCHECO MANUFACTURING CO'S PRINT WORKS.  
DOVER NH.





Printery: Cochecho Manufacturing Co





**JAMES FREEMAN CURTIS, 1797--1839**

# DOVER ENQUIRER.

LA, NO. 18, WASHINGTON-STREET, DOVER, NEW-HAMPSHIRE.

[ \$1.50 IN ADVANCE.

MORNING, DECEMBER 30, 1898.

NO. 27.

**TOUR OUT.**—A general turn out of the girls employed in the cotton factories in this town to the number of 8 or 800 took place on Friday last, on account of some imaginary grievance. It has, we believe, turned out to their cost, as well as disgrace; and since that time many of them have returned to their work, and all, who are permitted, will without doubt, return in the course of a few days.

The girls, on leaving the factory yard formed a procession of nearly half a mile in length, and marched through the town, with martial music; accompanied with coats of artillery. The whole presented one of the most disgusting scenes ever witness-

## DOVER MANUFACTURING COMPANY

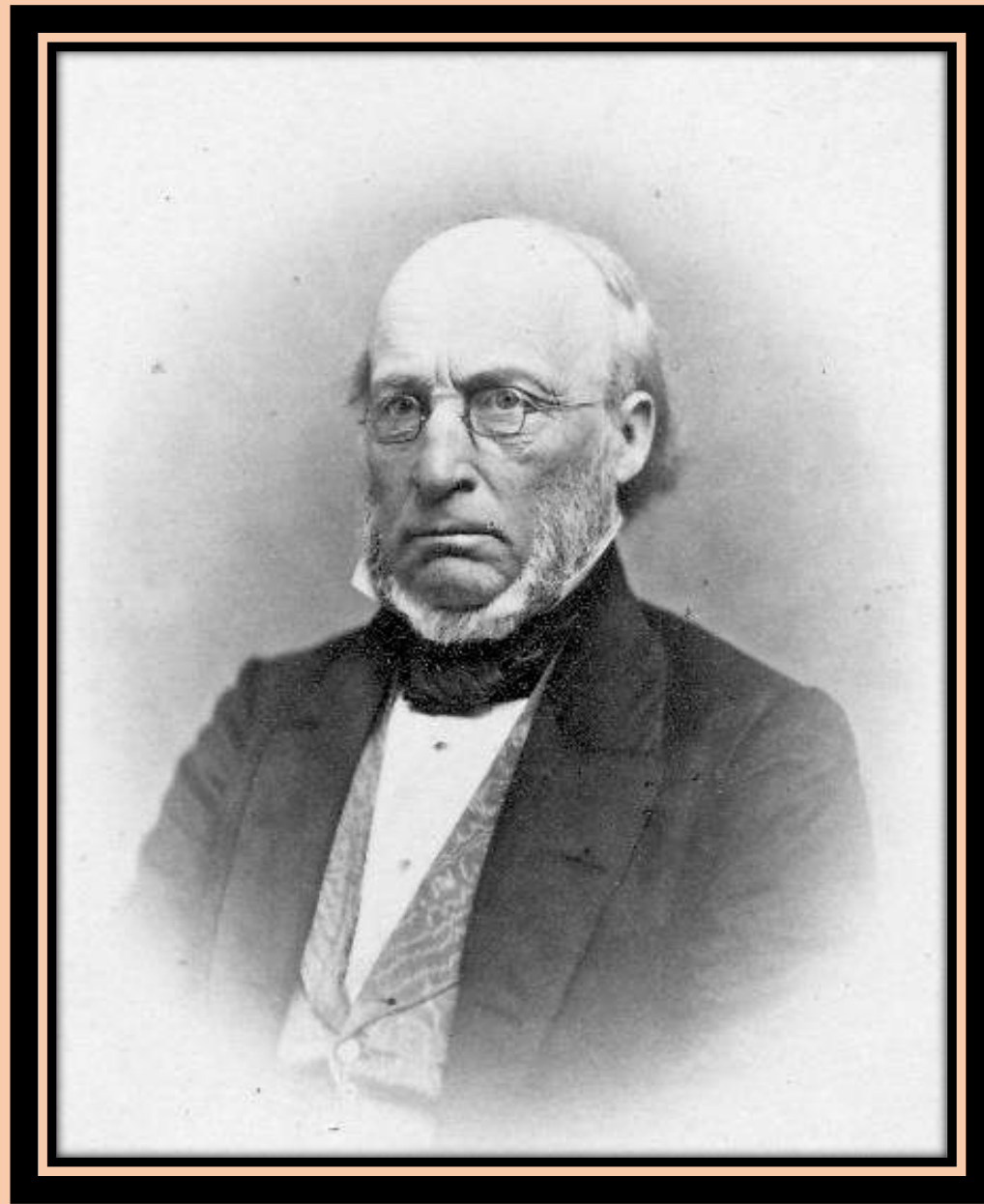
**G**IVE notice that they will engage the services of 2 to 300 Females in the various departments of their works.

J. F. CURTIS, *Agt.*

Dec. 29, 1898.

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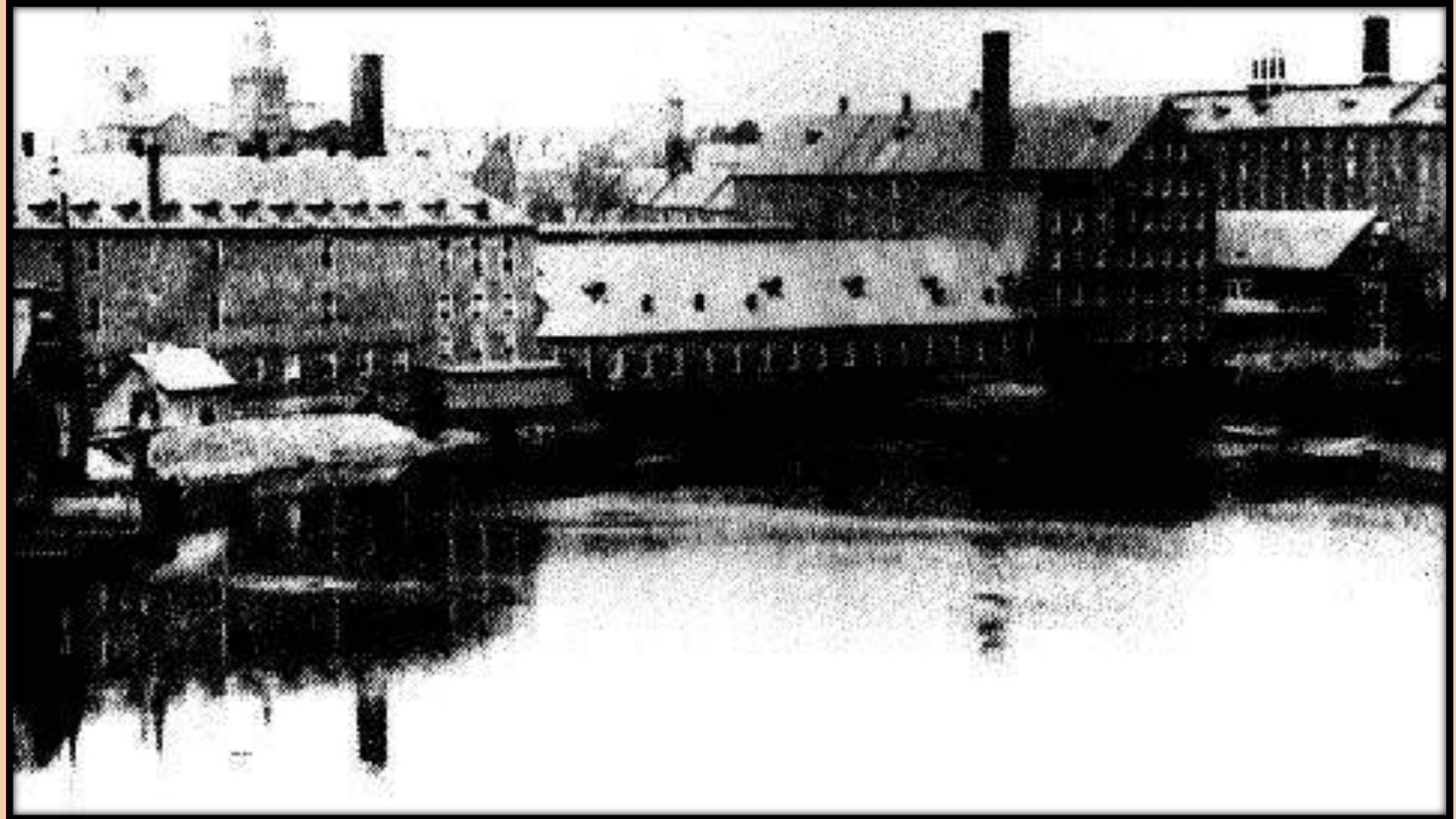




**MOSES PAUL, 1797--1860**







# 1850 EMPLOYMENT RULES

## Regulations of the Cocheco Manufacturing Co.

A punctual attention to the Bell is expected from all, whether at work by the week, day or job.

No Person can be allowed to leave or neglect their work during working hours without permission from their Overseer.

Persons wishing to leave the employ of the Company, will be required to give two week's notice of their intention, that arrangements may be made to fill their places.

The Overseers will employ the necessary help required for their several Rooms, and in no case allow any person to commence work, till their names have been registered at the Counting Room, and a "Regulation Paper" given them; this applies to those who leave temporarily, and return again, as well as others;—They will not employ any person in violation of the Law of the State, entitled "An act to provide for the better education of Youth in Manufacturing Establishments," as they will be liable to the penalty of said act for its violation;—They will not, knowingly, employ, or keep in employ, persons of immoral character;—They will regulate the transfer of help from one Room or Mill to another, and may grant leave of absence to those employed under them, when it can be done without stopping work, and not otherwise, except in cases of urgent necessity;—They will be held responsible for the quantity and quality of work and the cost of the same,—the economical use of necessary supplies—a proper care of the Machinery—the quantity of waste made, and a due observance of the Rules, Regulations and Orders of the Agent and Superintendent. In the Card Rooms they will keep the Picker doors shut at all times when the Pickers or Mills are not in operation;—They will not allow waste, yarn, or any other article to be thrown out of the windows on to the side walks, or into the river, and they will caution their help not to talk loud, or halloo at the windows when open; they will not work themselves, or cause or allow work to be done in their Rooms on the Sabbath.

As you much precaution cannot be used in regard to Fire, it will be required of Overseers not to leave their Rooms evenings after lighting up, and after the lights have been blown out at half past 7 o'clock, to examine up and down their Rooms, and see that all is safe, and that the water boxes are all full, and the Valve Screws of Pumps in good order and fit for use, and to be the last person to leave their Rooms after Bell time at night, at all times and seasons, and they are especially requested to be careful of their lights during working hours, and never allow an open light to be used in their Rooms, or allow it possible to prevent it, friction matches to be brought into the Mills by any person or persons whatsoever. When they wish to leave the yard during working hours, they are requested to inform the Agent or Superintendent of their intention.

The Attics of each Mill will be under the care of the Overseer of the Dressing Rooms, and the Basements, Wheel Rooms, &c. under the care of Overseers of Rooms next above, and they will be held responsible for their cleanliness, &c.

Children not employed in the Mills cannot be allowed in any of the Rooms of the Corporation, during working hours, excepting such as may come in with articles.

Spirituous Liquors must not be brought inside the Yard, nor Smoking allowed in any of the Yards, Shops or Mills.

Any Person not willing to comply with, or neglecting these Rules, will not be kept in the service of the Company.

The Watchmen have an important charge, and very much depends on their vigilance and care. In the event of fire, the person first discovering it, must preserve his reason, if possible, and give the alarm, ring the Bell, and by all means avoid noise and confusion.

The Captains of Watch, are entrusted with the care of the property by night, and when the Mills are stopped, and are charged with the following, as the most important of their duties:—To see to the faithful performance of the duties of the several Watchmen;—Twice a day, and twice during the night, examine all the Cisterns in Mills and Protery, and be sure that they are always full of water;—Press the Fire Pumps, and try all the valve screws in Rooms once a week;—Turn the flood valves once a fortnight;—Every day examine the Water Boxes, Buckets, Hoses and Blankets, and see that they are in order, and fit for use;—Visit every Room, Warehouse, and Shop, particularly the Fire Rooms, Chimney Dots, &c. in all the yards;—See that the Engines, Horse Rooms, and Ladder Rooms are kept free from obstructions at all times;—Draw the oil at 4 o'clock, &c. for the different departments, and keep a regular account of the same;—Have the dirty waste brought out of the Mills and Pithers twice a day, and the clean waste once a day, and bagged up, and removed to the Waste Depot once a week;—Have the journals of waste wheels, Jack drums, hoppers, and Lower Spinning Rooms, &c. oiled three times a day, and the main drive shafts taken down twice a week, and the Yards at all times kept clean. They will not allow Children to pass through the Factory Yard at night.

The Manufacturers will be under the more immediate care of the Superintendent, and all directions will govern themselves accordingly.

As it is desirable that this Establishment should be distinguished for the respectability of its work, and the care of its materials, as well as for a careful use of materials and supplies, it is the duty of all persons employed in the same, to be diligent, industrious, and industriously pursue their avocations, that the interest of the Company may be promoted.

JANUARY 1, 1850.

MOSES PAUL, Agent.



# TIME TABLE OF THE COCHECO MILLS.

Arranged to make the working time throughout the year average 11 hours per day.  
To Commence October 10, 1853.

**From March 20th to September 19th, inclusive.**

COMMENCE WORK at 5.45 A. M.	LEAVE OFF WORK at 5.30 P. M.
BREAKFAST at 7.00 "	DINNER at 1.00 "
COMMENCE WORK at 7.45 "	COMMENCE WORK at 1.45 "
after Dinner	after Dinner

**From September 20th to March 19th, inclusive.**

COMMENCE WORK at 7.00 A. M.	LEAVE OFF WORK at 1.00 P. M.
BREAKFAST at 8.00 "	DINNER at 11.00 "
going to work at 8.30 "	COMMENCE WORK at 1.30 "
	after Dinner

## DAILY.

**From March 20th to September 19th, inclusive.**

<i>Working Bell</i>	<i>Breakfast Bell</i>	<i>Dinner Bell</i>	<i>Leaving Bell</i>
First toll at 5.00 A. M. Ring out at 7.00 A. M.	Ring out at 7.00 P. M.	Ring out at 1.00 P. M.	Ring out at 5.30 P. M.
2d do. at 5.30 "	Ring in at 7.30 "	Ring in at 1.30 "	Final Warning.

**From September 20th to March 19th, inclusive.**

First toll at 7.00 A. M.	Ring out at 11.30 P. M.	Ring out at 7.00 P. M.	
2d do. at 8.00 "	Working toll at 8.00 A. M.	Ring in at 1.00 "	Except Saturdays.
3d do. at 8.30 "	Ring in at 8.30 "		

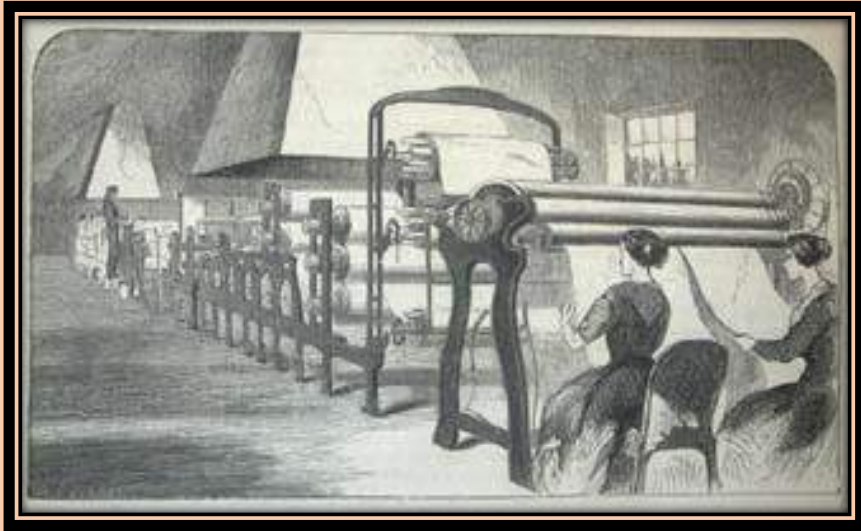
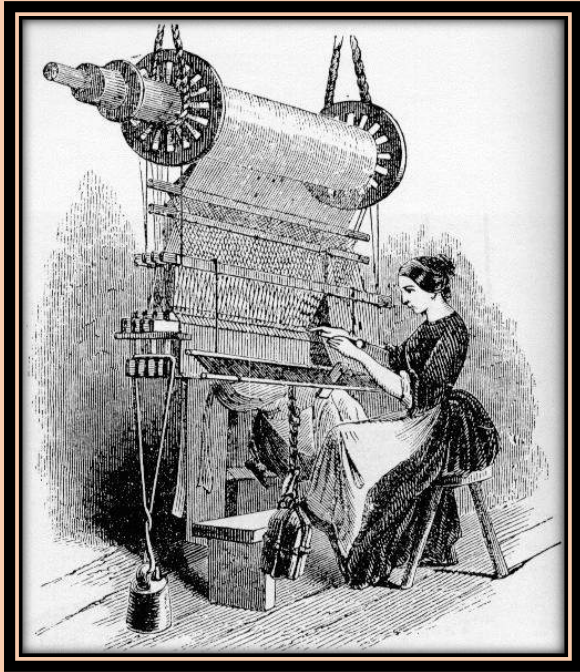
## SATURDAY EVENING BELLS.

From the 20th Sunday in April, to the 2d Sunday in August, inclusive. Ring out at 6.30 P. M.  
The remaining Sundays in the year, Ring out as follows:

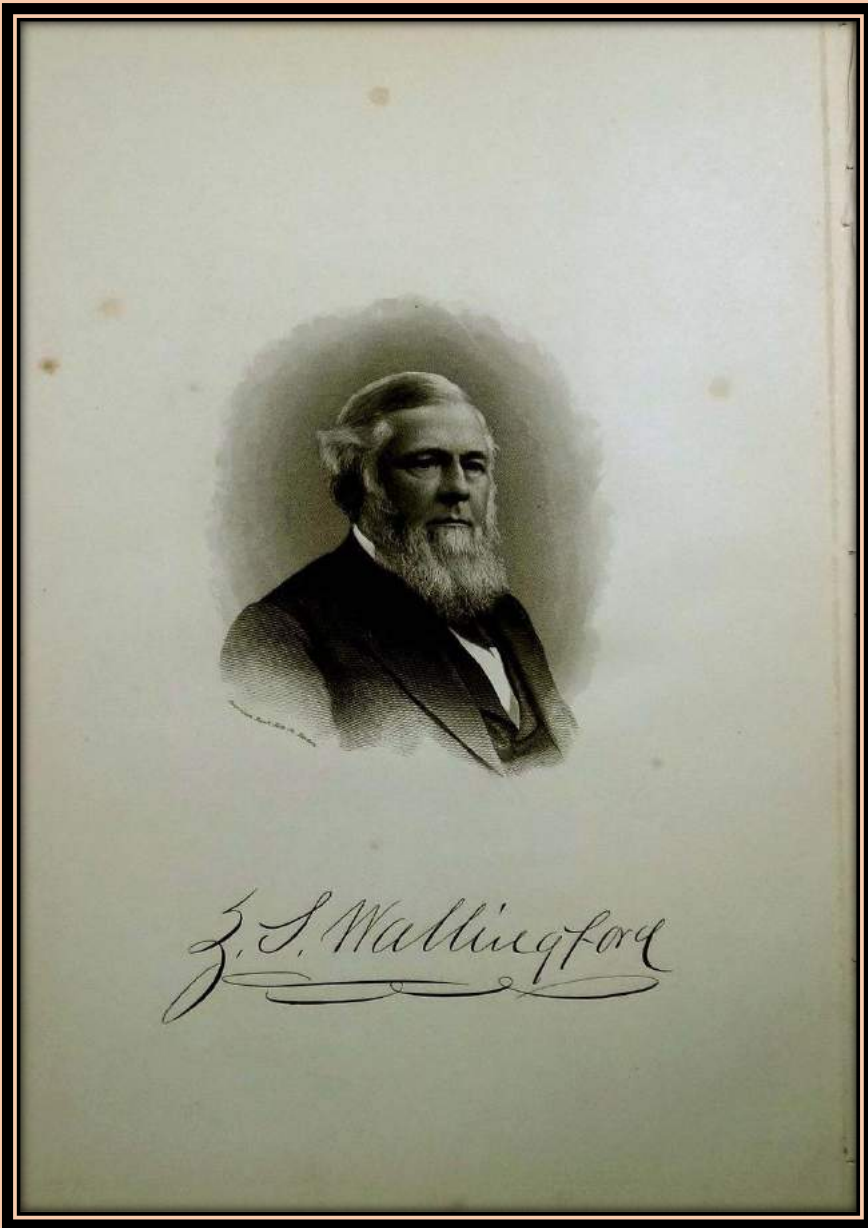
August.	November.	February.	
Last Sunday, Ring out 6.15 P. M.	First Sunday, Ring out 6.00 P. M.	First Sunday, Ring out 4.00 P. M.	
2d do. at 6.30 "	2d do. at 6.15 "	2d do. at 4.15 "	1.00 "
3d do. at 6.45 "	3d do. at 6.30 "	3d do. at 4.30 "	1.15 "
4th do. at 7.00 "	4th do. at 6.45 "	4th do. at 4.45 "	1.30 "
5th do. at 7.15 "	5th do. at 7.00 "	5th do. at 5.00 "	1.45 "
6th do. at 7.30 "	6th do. at 7.15 "	6th do. at 5.15 "	2.00 "
7th do. at 7.45 "	7th do. at 7.30 "	7th do. at 5.30 "	2.15 "
8th do. at 8.00 "	8th do. at 7.45 "	8th do. at 5.45 "	2.30 "
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28th do. at 1.00 "	28th do. at 12.45 "	28th do. at 10.45 "	7.30 "
29th do. at 1.15 "	29th do. at 1.00 "	29th do. at 11.00 "	7.45 "
30th do. at 1.30 "	30th do. at 1.15 "	30th do. at 11.15 "	8.00 "
31st do. at 1.45 "	31st do. at 1.30 "	31st do. at 11.30 "	8.15 "

YARDS GATES will be opened, when the Bell for commencing work begins to ring, and closed when it ceases tolling.

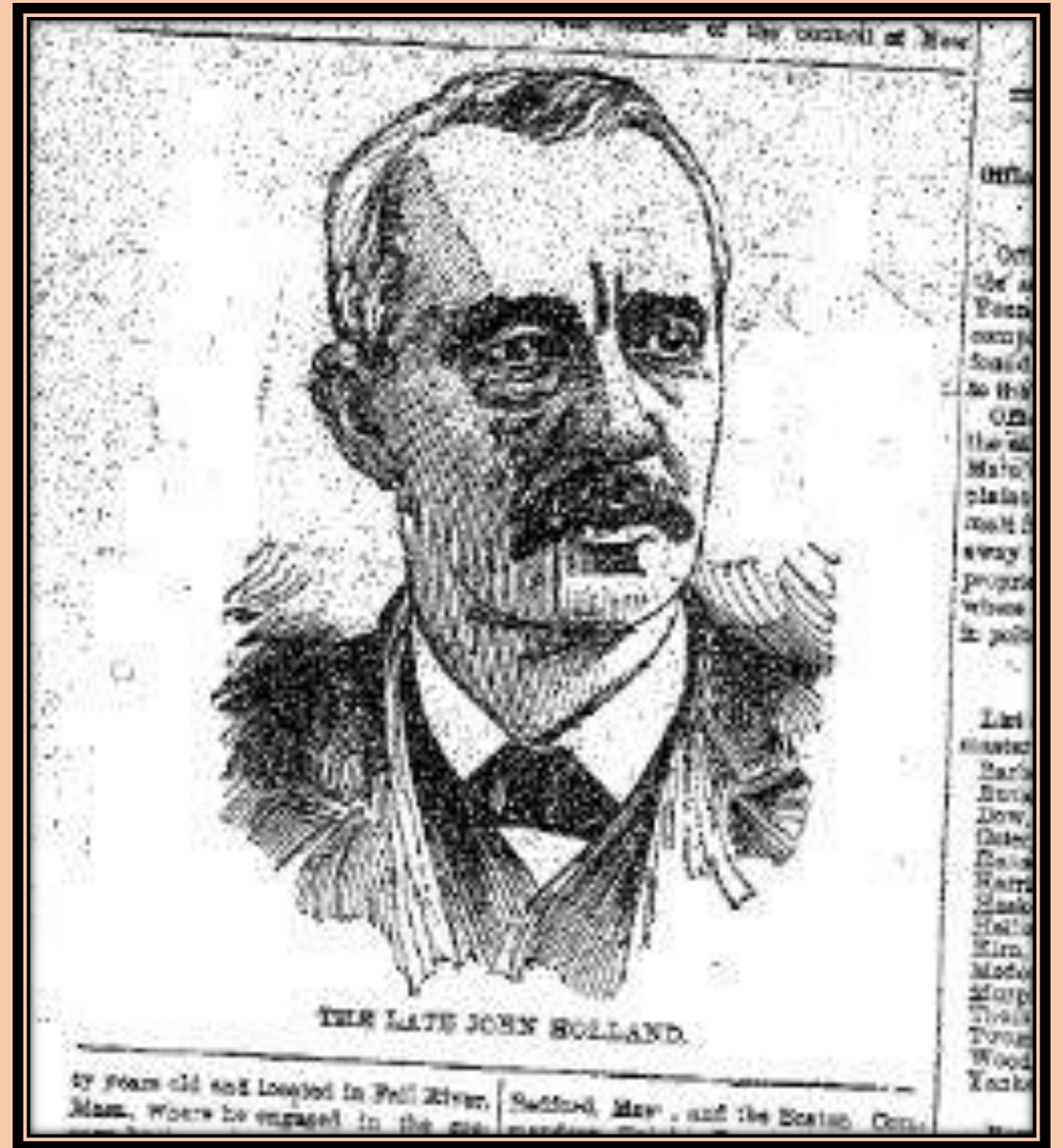
RINGING BY BELLS will begin 15 minutes, prior to sunrise, and will be repeated, when all hands must be in MILL GATES will be opened, when the Bell begins to toll, at 9 A.M. before time to commence work.







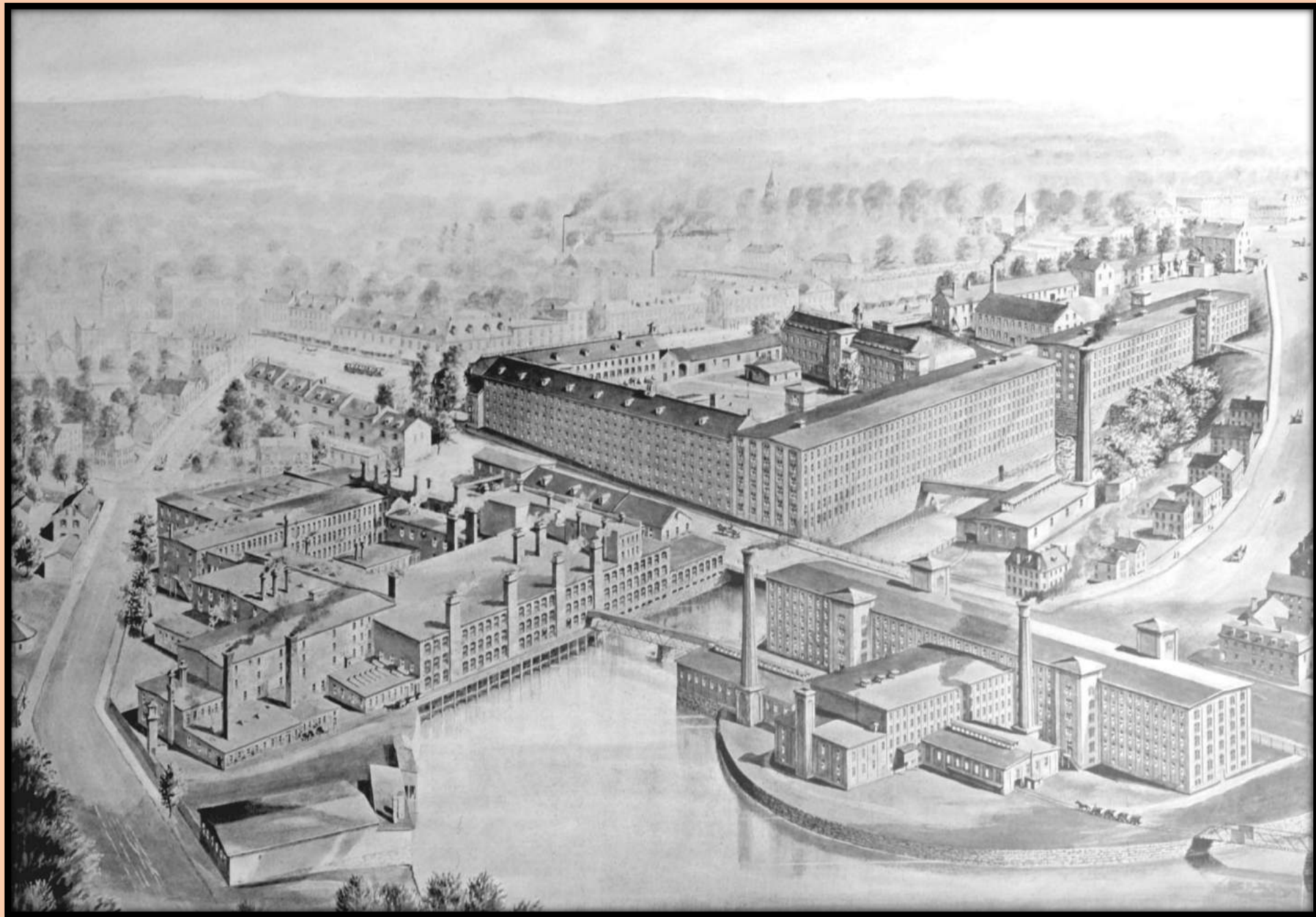
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JOHN HOLLAND, 1831--1900

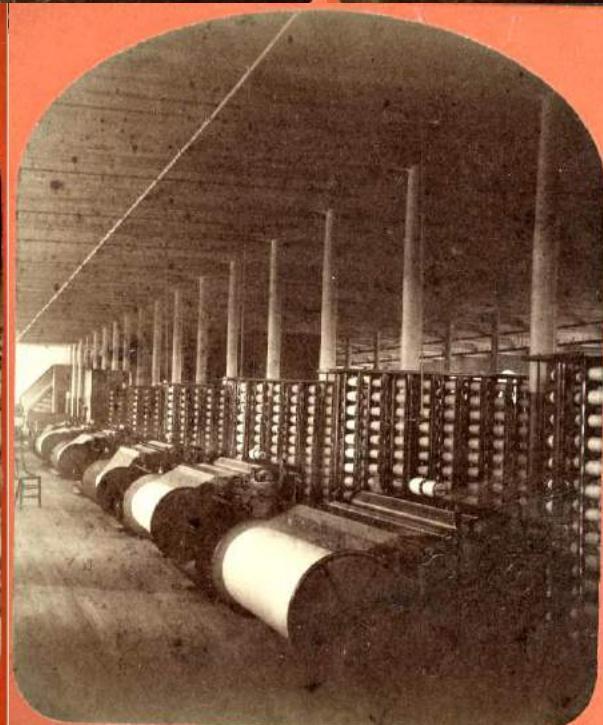
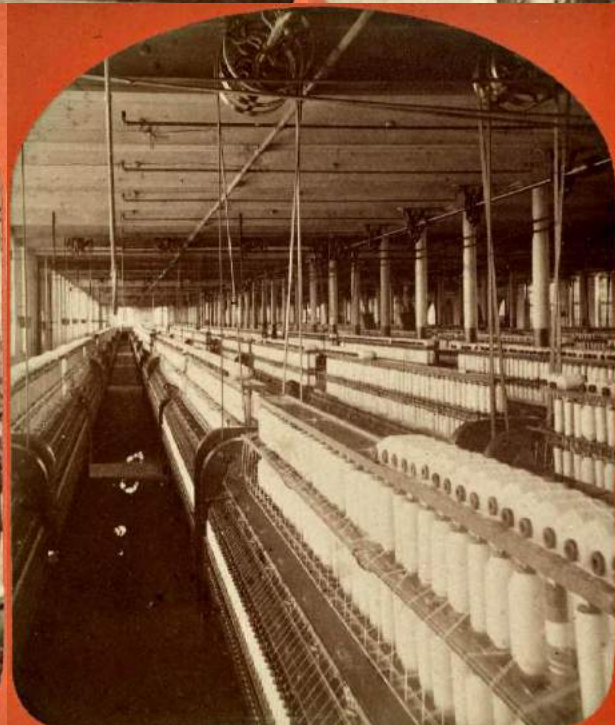
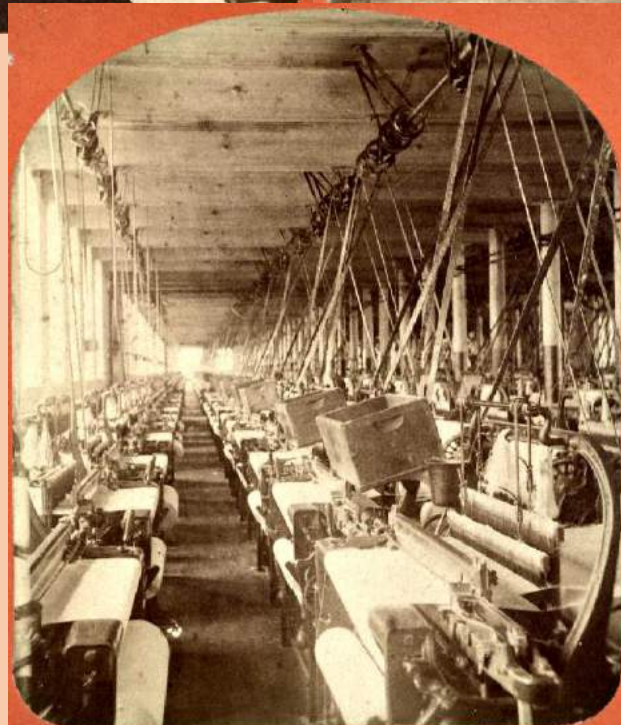
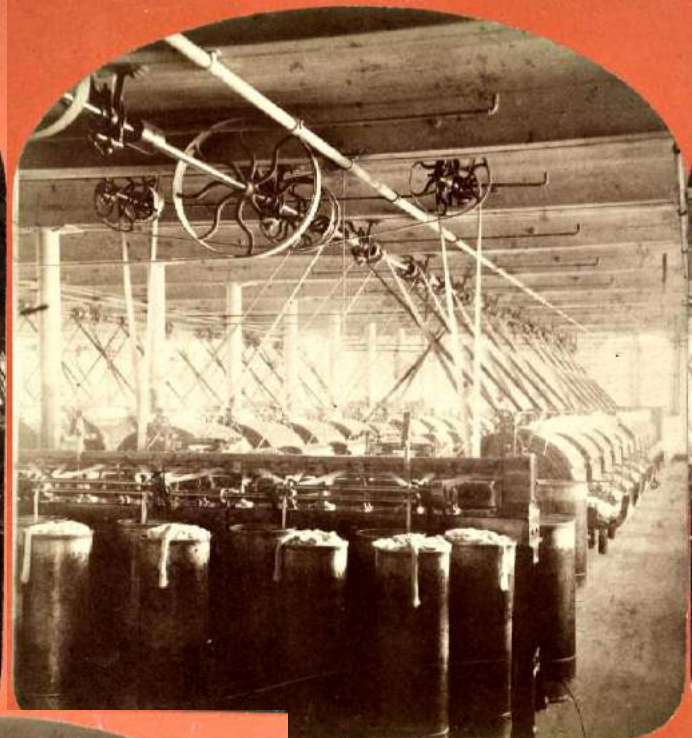
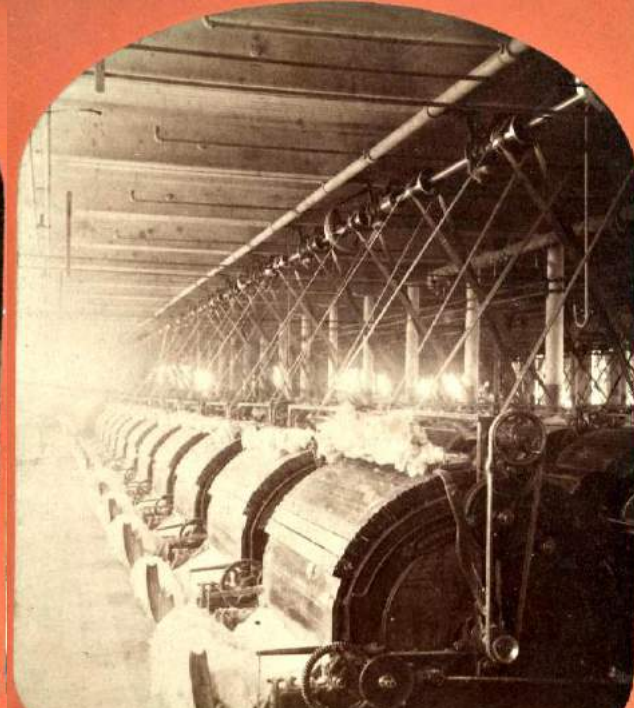
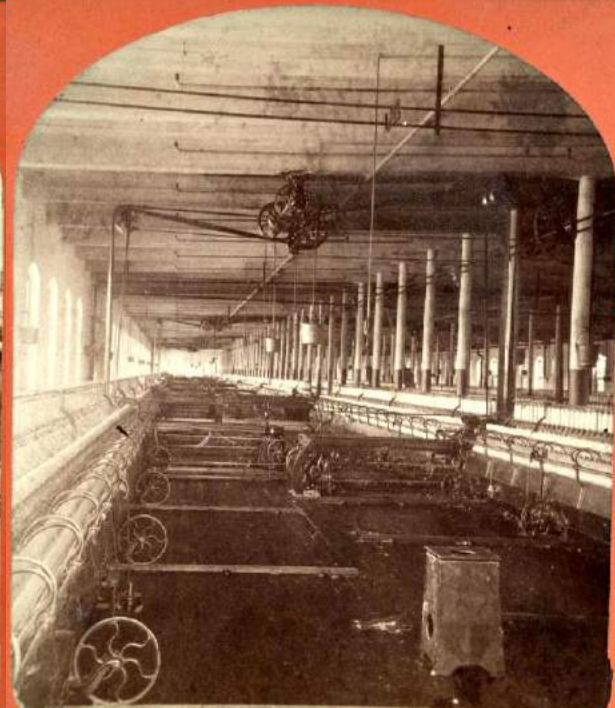
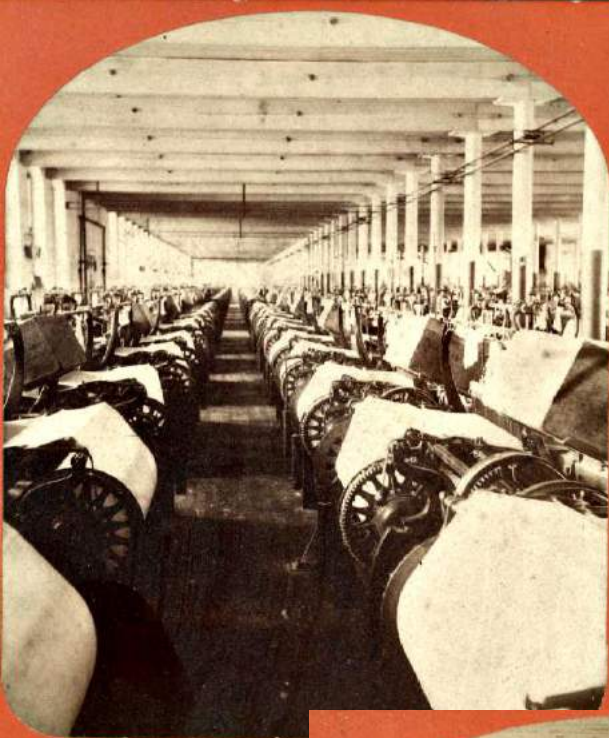














*Aug 4, 1885  
11 boxes 44 yds.*

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LAWRENCE & COMPANY

BOSTON, NEW YORK & PHILA.

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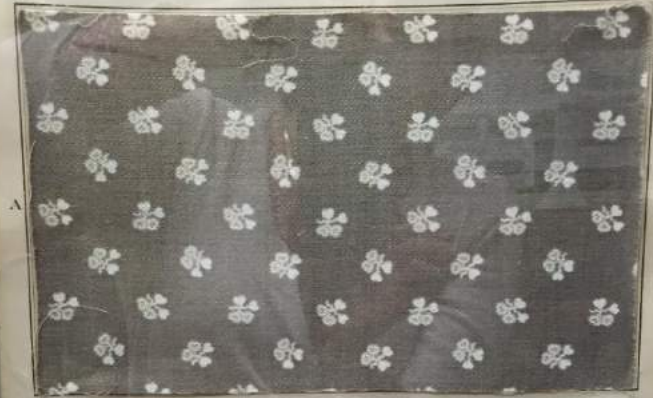


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# COCHECO & SATINES.

LAWRENCE & COMPANY,  
BOSTON, NEW YORK & PHILA.

5355 RAISED







**1888 COCHECO PRINT WORKS UPHOLSTERY FABRIC:**

**IT TOOK 478 HOURS TO PREPARE THIS DESIGN FOR PRINTING, FROM BEGINNING ARTWORK THROUGH DESIGN TRANSFER, TO THE PRINT ROLLERS.**

# Cocheco Mills textiles

Swatches from the 19th century Cocheco Manufacturing Company and Printworks, Dover, NH

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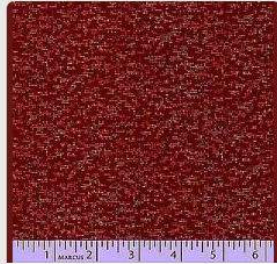
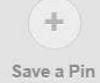
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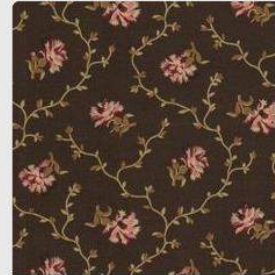
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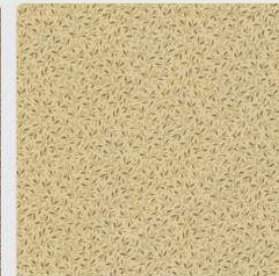
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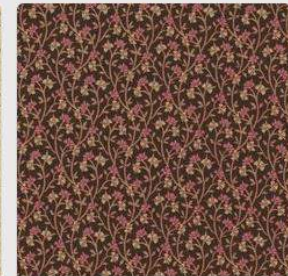
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DOVER SEES A DAY OF  
DISASTER.

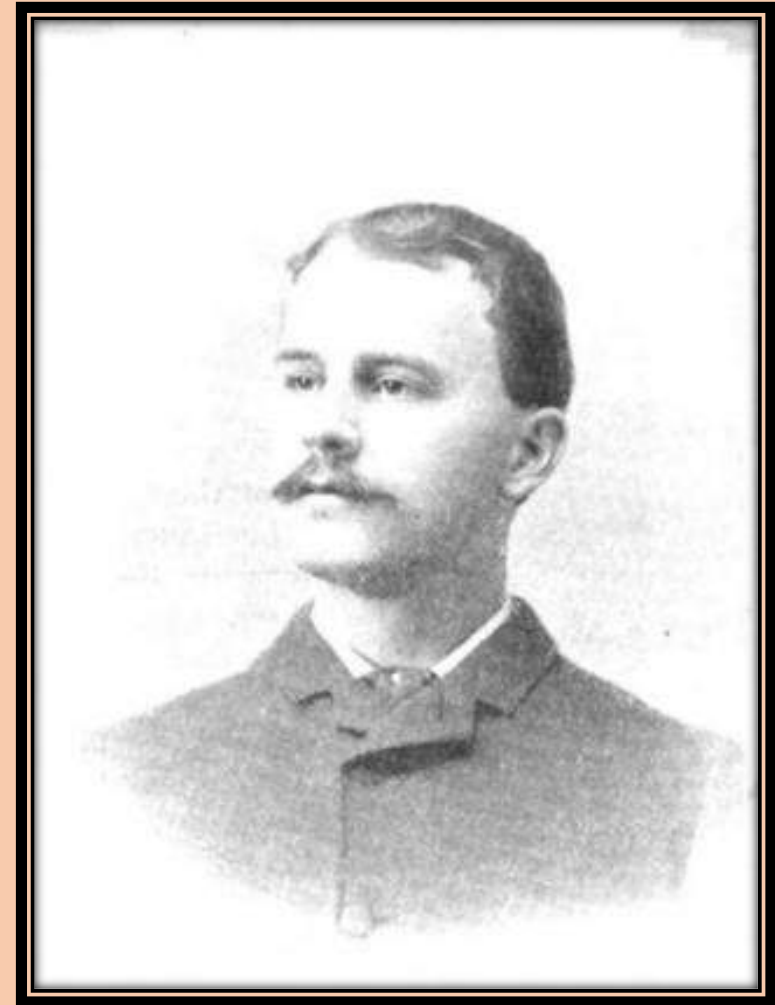
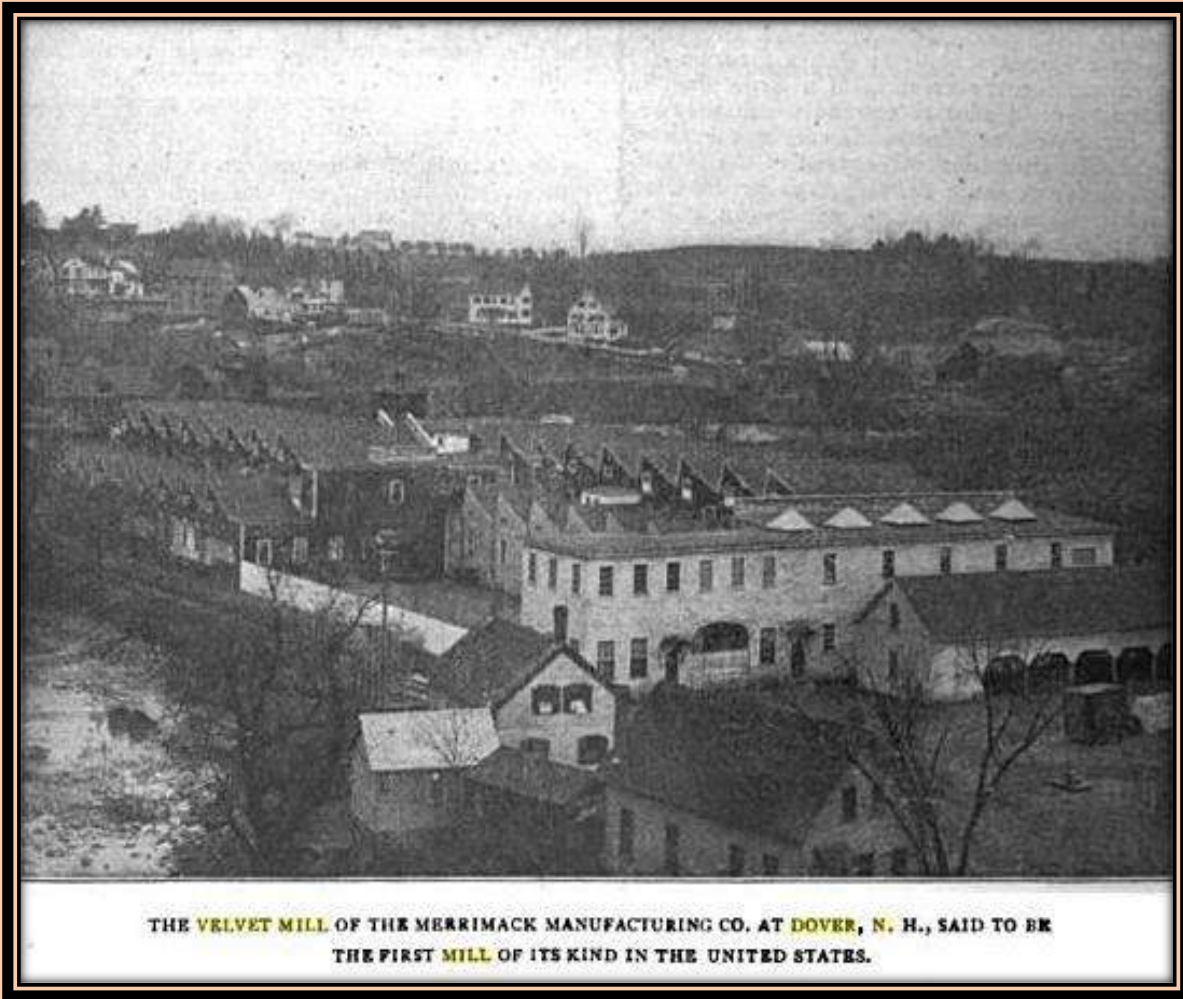
A Deluge Destroys an Immense  
Amount of Property.

Business Block and Most of the  
Contents

Go Down the River To-  
gether.

Bridges on the Cochecho Swept Away Like Cob-  
Houses to Common Ruin.

The City and Cochecho Manf'g Co.  
Lose Heavily.



CHARLES FISH, 1861—1932









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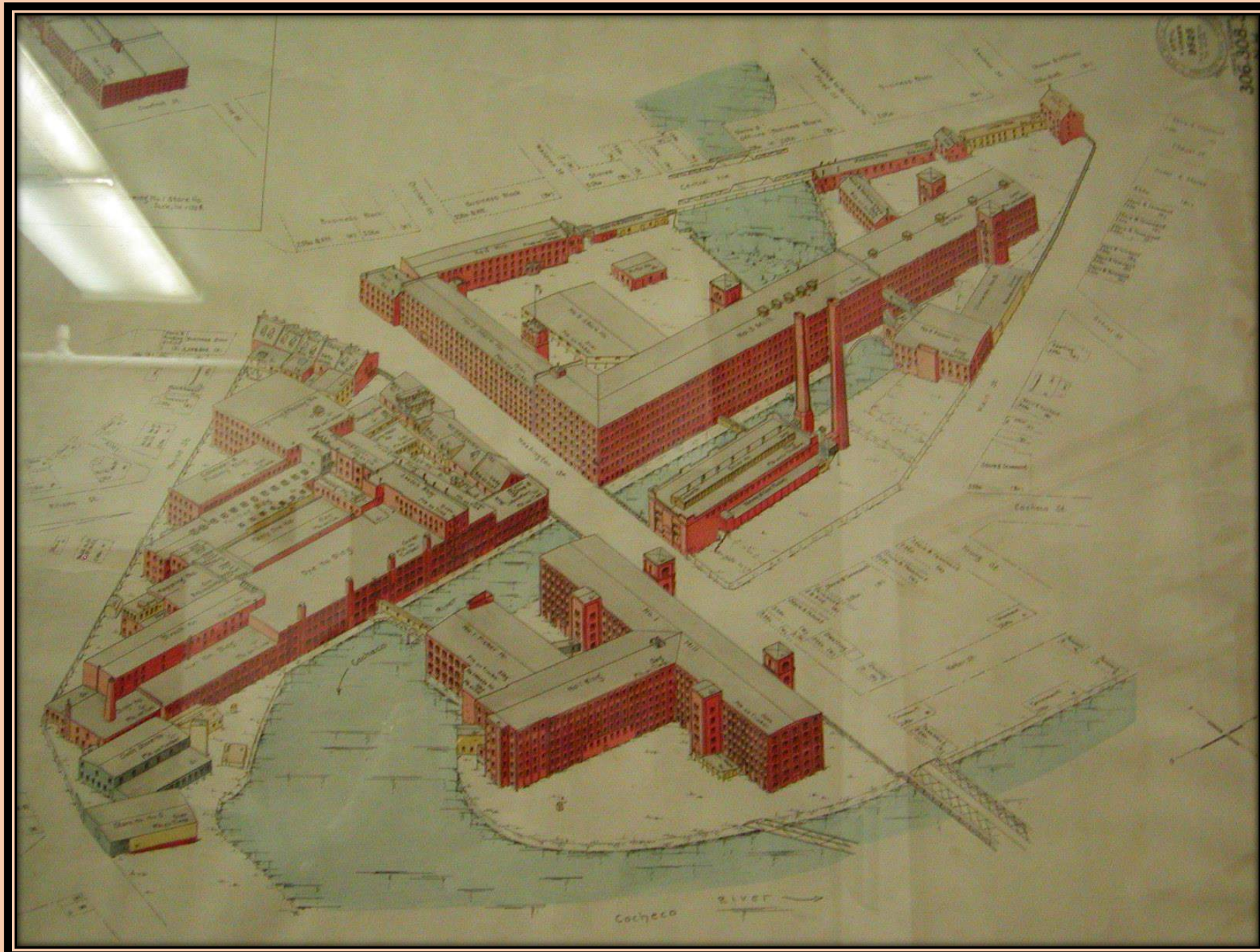




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