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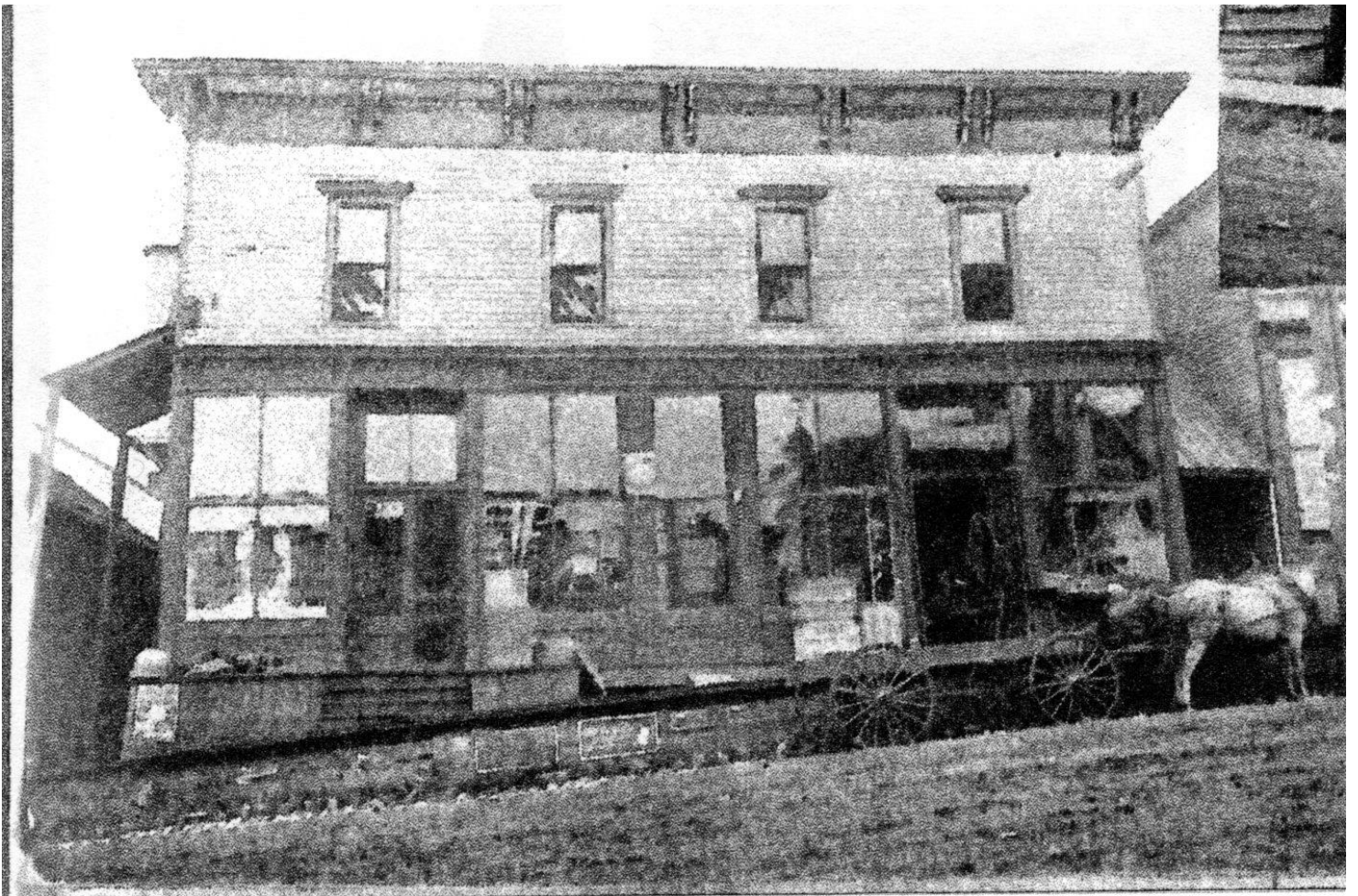
Out of the Past

December 28, 1895

Amasa has never seen better days than it is enjoying at the present time. In addition to the force employed at the Hemlock Mine, many of the lumbering operations on the Hemlock, Deer, Net and Fence Rivers are ramping up their activities. J. Thoburn Gibson, Amasa's sole and enterprising merchant has recently added a large stock of general merchandise to his inventory. Mr. Gibson may have the best business location in Iron County. The town also has a barber who has established his shop in Josiah Jenkins' building.

J.H. Parks is making calculations in regard to remodeling a portion of the upper story of his double building (309 Superior) for "Secret Society" purposes.

New Officers were elected by the Crystal Falls German Order of the Sons of Hermann. John Schmit (President), Carl Neigenbour (Vice President), Gottfried Kintzle (First Secretary), Carl Liese (Second Secretary), Martin Bach (Treasurer), J.B. Schwartz (Trustee) and John Bauer (Trustee). The mutual aid society for German Immigrants was formed in 1840 to provide low cost insurance and promote the preservation of the German language and traditions.



Parks Store - 309 Superior 1890's

FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS



Sons of Herman German Fraternal Lodge, Crystal Falls, Iron County, Michigan, ca. 1890-1900: Sons of Herman, a German fraternal organization in Crystal Falls, Michigan, pictured in about 1890-1900. The photograph, taken by James McCourt, a Crystal Falls photographer, was identified by Sophia (Pfeiffer) Cummings as follows: (back row, left to right) Mr. Breining, Mr. Cameron, Jacob "Jake" Bender, Richard Wehse, John Bauer (married to Caroline Schmid); (middle row, left to right) Adolph Sutter, Frederick Schmid, Jacob "Jake" Bauer, Sr. (brother to John Bauer and father to Rose Bauer Schmid, wife of Frederick Schmid), Jacob Bauer, Jr., (son of Jacob "Jake" Bauer, Sr.); (front row, left to right) Ernest Deile, Casper Aberley and Gottlieb Pfeiffer. *[William J. Cummings]*