

COLUMBIA. 'TIS A FAIR TOWN TO BEHOLD. A Brief of Its History—Desirable for Residence and Business—The Old Public Works—The Growth of the Town. Every town and city of any considerable age has more or less of the historic connected with it, and Columbia, one of the old towns of the state, can boast of its share. Settled in 1726 by the Wrights and Bethels, it was first a ferry, and by natural growth assumed its present fair proportions, having been incorporated a borough in 1814. The war of 1812 gave it the first great impetus. Everything was high in price, and as Columbia became a sort of supply depot for the armies of the young republic money was, of course, plentiful. Buildings went up rapidly, and the population increased for awhile, and then the reaction, which sooner or later follows a prolonged war, came. Many of the most prominent men of the once flourishing borough became bankrupt, and the business depression continued until 1833, when the commencement of the construction of what were then and are still known as the "public works" began. The town again flourished and building operations were renewed. With occasional interruptions to its general prosperity the advancement of the town has been steady until now a lovely town of nine thousand inhabitants looks smilingly down upon the beautiful and placid Susquehanna river from the hills and slopes upon which it is built. It may truly be said that it lies "embosomed in the hills," for it is surrounded by them on all sides, excepting towards the south, where rolls the river. Wide and clean streets and every requirement demanded for a pleasant place of residence make it such, while its really unsurpassed facilities for transportation by rail and canal make it a most desirable place for manufactures.

very desirable position, a good example of what perseverance, energy and faithfulness can accomplish. Although the road had its birth here it was deemed more advisable to call it by its present name than by giving precedence to Columbia, as Reading was a larger and more wealthy place, and might, therefore carry more influence to the minds of those whose support it was desirable to secure in the prosecution of the enterprise, if that name appeared first. Since it first began operations, down to the time that it was leased to the Philadelphia and Reading railroad company, the road experienced all the vicissitudes incident to American railroads. The new headquarters of the road on Locust street, this place, will be one of the handsomest railroad depots in the state, and the increased accommodations it will afford will greatly increase the road's business. The Growth of the Town. Fifteen years ago Columbia was not built up beyond Fourth and Walnut streets, but now the quarter beyond that is the handsomest in the town, and is still rapidly increasing in extent. Neither did Locust street extend so far north as now, and when Mr. Sneath built his present residence he was said to reside in the country; now he lives in town, and other houses stretch out beyond his own. The town made a great stride forward when the Pennsylvania railroad works were located here, and its last forward movement has been caused by the erection of the Keely stove works. If, as now seems apparent, the Shawnee rolling mill is again put into operation, the next step forward is at hand, and a new era of prosperity is opening to the town. Columbia was one of the first places in the state to introduce a water system, the company being organized in 1823. The first reservoir occupied the present site of Cookman's M. E. chapel, and the water supply was brought from springs in the surrounding hills through wooden pipes, and distributed by similar frail channels. The first gas was introduced here in 1833. A. M. S. ARMY OFFICER'S TESTIMONY. Captain Joseph L. Hayden, residing at No. 324 Fourth street, South Boston, Mass., formerly captain in the army, now with the Walworth Manufacturing Company, South Boston, writes, April 28, 1883: "While living in Cambridgeport my wife was afflicted with Pains in her back and side, and she could not walk without groaning, and she could sleep well, and after continuing to use a host of other remedies, she grew gradually worse, when her attention was called to Hunt's Remedy. She purchased a bottle from Lowell's drug store, in Cambridgeport, and after taking the first dose she began to feel easier, she could sleep well, and after continuing its use a short time the severe pains in her back and side entirely disappeared, and she is a well woman. Many of our relatives and friends have used Hunt's Remedy with the most gratifying results. I have recommended it many times, and as many times heard the same story. Hunt's Remedy is all that is claimed for it, and a real blessing to all afflicted with kidney or liver trouble."

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