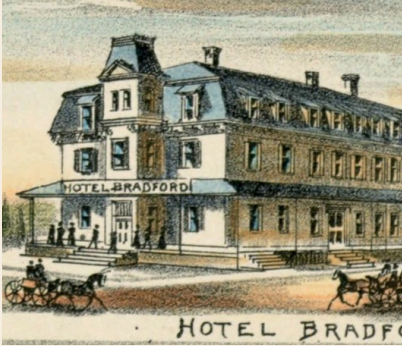


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JAVA ON BROADWAY/
IRIDESAS'S
5 WEST BROADWAY



In 1880, this was home to the Rail Road House, but it burned in the fire of 1882 and was rebuilt in 1883 into the popular Hotel Bradford. It was owned by Mr. and Mrs. Alden Bradford Smith. The Hotel Bradford boasted every modern convenience. People arrived at Hotel Bradford to stay the night or just drop in for a hot meal. In the days of Spiritualism, magnetic and psychic healers set up shop here. During No-License and prohibition, the proprietors were often fined for possession of alcohol.

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DERRY HOMEGROWN
FARM AND ARTISAN'S
MARKET
1 WEST BROADWAY

Looking up Martin Street, you can see Benson's. This company was established in 1913 by George W. Benson. George passed away suddenly in 1923 after an appendectomy. His death shocked Derry, but his family picked up the pieces and continued his business.

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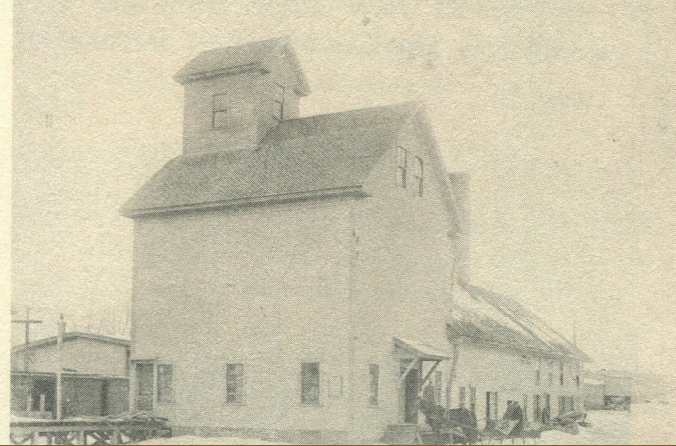
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Manning Street, at the turn of the 20th century, would have been the location for the Hood Enterprise. Harvey Perley Hood had arrived in Derry in 1846 and started a milk cart, which expanded exponentially over the years. One innovation that helped Hood expand was his application of refrigerated train cars. Just up this road, at Hood Pond, ice was harvested in big blocks and placed on a conveyor belt.



They were then carried to the ice house where they remained cold. Hood then leased and refrigerated the train cars, which allowed for the milk to travel longer distances and stay fresh. This location and innovation may be why we're all still drinking Hood Milk today. While Hood is no longer in Derry, it is still a New England institution.



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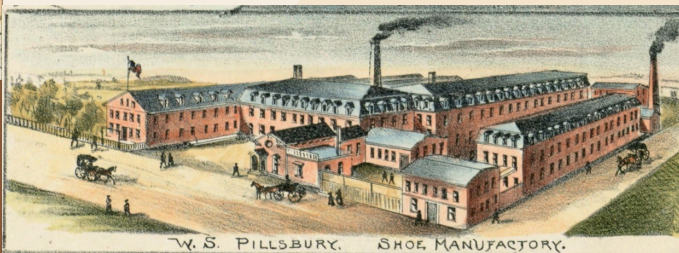
**DEPOT SQUARE
6 WEST BROADWAY**

In 1887, this spot was home to the Post Office and Hall, but by 1898 it was the home of the Derry National Bank. The front of the building was occupied by banking rooms and a drug store, while the back of the building was occupied by pool rooms and a barber. The side entrance, from the Depot, lead up to lodging rooms on the top floor called the New American House.



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**PILLSBURY APARTMENTS AND
PLANT SHOP
12 AND 14 WEST BROADWAY**

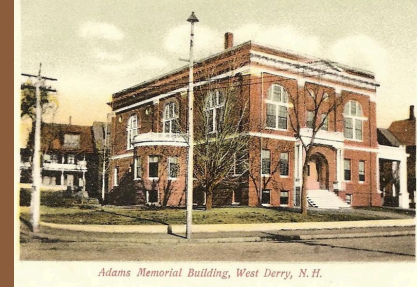


In 1887, this stretch was the home of the Coburn Fuller and Co Manufacturers for Children's and Misses Shoes. They had a large building here and another on South Ave. By 1889, the Coburn building on Broadway had become Pillsbury Shoe Factory, having been bought up by Colonel William S. Pillsbury.

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**ADAMS MEMORIAL
HALL
29 WEST BROADWAY**

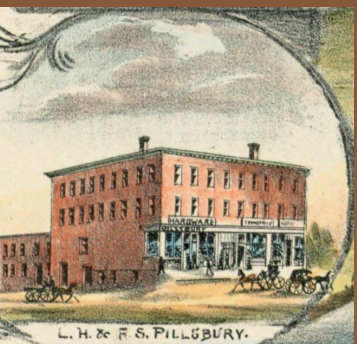
Adams Memorial Hall was built in 1903. The namesake for the building is Benjamin Adams. Benjamin passed away in 1901 and gave \$10,000 to the town of Derry for a public building. Rosecrans and Colonel Pillsbury furnished further funds to support the project. It housed a Hall that would seat 700, selectman's offices, and a court with a lock up in the basement. It also housed the first library in West Derry, the Derry Town Library, which evolved into what we now call the Derry Public Library. This building was damaged by fire in 1914 and 1927, resulting in book and record loss, but was never fully destroyed by the flames.



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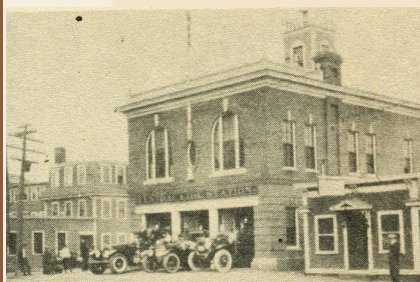
**ABBOTT HOUSE
10 WEST BROADWAY**

Abbott House and Abbott Court are named after Converse Abbott, part owner of the Abbott and Davis Carriage Co. Later, this building was the location of L.H. Pillsbury and Son Furniture store. At other times around the turn of the 20th century, it was the home of Star Cleaning and Repairing Co., owned by William Hobdy, the Chinese Laundry owned by Charles Young, and an Undertaker and Hairdressing office owned by Charles Gordon.



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**FOUNDATION
KITCHEN AND BAR
32 WEST BROADWAY**



This building is the old firehouse. In 1882, a disastrous fire tore through town and spurred the public to realize that they needed a central fire station. In the town meeting of March 1883, they agreed to designate a fire district and make necessary arrangements to purchase equipment and select officers. In 1898, they voted to buy land and erect this engine house. It was dedicated on March 14th, 1899.

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**SMOKE SHOP AND
MARKET AND
BACKMANN'S
15 WEST BROADWAY**



Prior to the turn of the century, this block was residential. Here were the homes of Mrs. Tarbell and L.W. Bly. In 1905, this building was erected by E.N. Whitney and it was called Whitney Block. In 1906, it was the home of C.H. Gordon, undertaker and barber. He had a barber shop with burial vaults on display. Sharing the building was the S.A. Dow music shop, which carried the finest line of violins, banjos, mandolins, accordions, and popular music.

