

A Mr. Rathbone built the first grist-mill, now the City Mills, in the year 1843.

Burke's Woolen Factory was built and put in operation in 1843.

The Eagle Mills were built by Capt. Anderson, in 1846; the Stone Mills by Messrs. Medbury & Hoover, in 1846; the Phoenix Mills by the Messrs. Comstock, in 1847, and the Kilbourn Mills by Capt. Anderson, in 1848.

### Dredges

The first dredge was built by Capt. Abel Hawley, for the Government. It was also used occasionally in the river, and was run by horse power. He subsequently built a steam dredge for himself, and then built the large steam dredge of late used at the new harbor. Mr. Hawley dredged nearly all the docks, from the water power to the mouth of the river. Also, the channels for vessels upon either side of the river, leaving the middle ground, so called, which the city has been engaged in removing for the last two years.

### Newspapers

I should fail in my duty if I passed this opportunity, without occupying some time in referring to the history of the *Press*, which has borne so important a part in Commercial affairs.

As I said, the *Sentinel* was being published weekly in 1840, by Harrison Reed, a good writer and a patriotic and virtuous citizen. It maintained then the Whig side of politics (although in those Territorial days but little was said upon the subject of national politics). Mr. Reed continued its publication and proprietorship with some suspensions and slight changes until 1844, when Elisha Starr, who had published for about one year a small tri-weekly paper called the *Commercial Herald*, took possession of the *Sentinel* office, and blended his paper with the *Sentinel*, and continued its publication in the Dewey Block for a while, when it again changed hands and passed into the