

In the latter part of August, 1844, Williams left Helena, and his place was taken by Evan Lloyd,¹ who remained for two years. John Evans² was shot-dropper in 1846, having previously worked in the finishing-house. There were also here, between 1844 and 1848, Owen Jones, James Elli-

in our street. On inquiry, we found they are here after goods for Mineral Point, shipped this way. The teams brought 40,000 lbs. of shot, and 50 tons of lead for L. J. Higby, all of which were shipped the same day for Buffalo, by the steamer James Madison. If there was a good railroad from Milwaukee to the Mississippi, over 25,000,000 lbs. of lead and shot would find its way to New York, via the Great Lakes. It is a matter that must be looked to by the next legislature."

¹ Evan Lloyd was born in Caernarvonshire, North Wales, Dec. 25, 1823, and died at Mazomanie, Dec. 13, 1885. At the age of 13 he ran away from home and spent three years in the Newcastle coal mines. In 1839 he came to America, and after working three years in the Pennsylvania mines went West, stopping at St. Louis and Galena, and finally settling in Dodgeville. In 1844 he was hired by Metcalf to work in the shot-tower at Helena, and till 1846 dropped shot there. On July 3, 1847, he married Jane Hodgson, and for a year filled small orders for shot, frequently working at the tower with no assistance but that of his wife. The next two years were spent in St. Louis, after which he brought his wife north again, and returned in a few months to work in the Illinois coal mines. The next year he joined a Dodgeville party bound for California. On his return, two years later, he settled at Mill Creek, but later built a house on a farm at Arena, and moved thither. In the spring of 1868 he went to Chicago to take John Bradford's place as dropper in the new shot-works there, but returned in the autumn of 1869, being unable to work longer on account of arsenic poisoning, which doubtless hastened his death.

² John Evans emigrated to the United States in 1844, from the parish of Llandyssil, Cardiganshire, Wales. The next year he came to Wisconsin, soon after obtained employment in the shot-tower, and in 1854 married Mary Thomas, from Anglesey, Wales. Evans held the position of shot-dropper at Helena longer than any other man employed there. He dropped for John Metcalf in 1846, and again in 1848-49; for Daniel Thompson in 1850, for Raiph Flint in 1852, for John Bradford in 1853-57, and for Tracy Lockman in 1859-60. When the works closed in 1861, he settled on a farm at Wyoming. In 1867 he was hired by E. W. Blatchford to drop shot for the Chicago Shot-Tower Company, and assist in experiments on various alloys. But owing to ill-health he returned in a few months to his farm, where he died Oct. 12, 1876. He was buried by the side of his wife in the Old Helena cemetery.