

WEST JEFFERSON IN DAYS GONE BY

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____ 1874 - West Jefferson Livery and Feed Stable, John Gregg. Prop. Located in the rear of the Mantle House. (The building that housed the stable is still standing on Water Street and was the former Williams Repair Shop.)

____ In searching for old newspaper and items, I have ran across what I believe to be the only existing copy of the West Jefferson Clipper, which was printed for a short time in the early 1870's. This particular copy is dated March 7, 1874. The paper consisted of one sheet of paper folded into four printed pages. On the first page was local advertising in the left hand column with national news on the rest of the front page. On the second page was more advertising. The ads consisted of local establishments and ads for books, medicines and such items that came from New York and other various cities in the East which were usually placed in many of the small papers throughout the country.

____ The following is from the West Jefferson Clipper: The West Jefferson Clipper, \$1.50 per annum, E. Mettles editor and proprietor, published every Saturday. The office is in the Gregg Building Main St. in the front rooms over T. B. Fellow's store. (This would be in the building on the North West corner of Main and Walnut Streets that currently holds an antique shop.)

Advertisements:

R. S. Leake, Atty at Law, Gregg Building upstairs

Mrs. C. Gerhardt, bakery and confectionery

J. S. LaFerre, Merchant and Tailor

Mrs. Mary Stoner, Millinery and fancy goods. Post Office Building.

Dr. J. N. Beach, Physician, and surgeon, over the drug store. (This building is at 11 W. Main St.)

Dr. J. T. Colliver, in the building formerly the Haig Drug Store

Dr. Chas. Snyder, Physician, and Surgeon on Main St. Opposite Ben Hoe's Store

West Jefferson Drug Store, Z. R. Taylor

Brown & Sons, Harness Shop, in Swanston Building. (The former Red & White grocery store.)

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OFFICIAL 1874 DIRECTORY TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

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