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ADVERTISEMENTS.

## FURNITURE & CHAIRS, CABINET

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Connected with this establishment is a LARGE STEAM FACTORY, containing the various machinery used for the manufacture of Chairs and Cabinet Ware for the wholesale and retail trade. Also, for doing all kinds of JOB TURNING, Sawing, Planing, etc. And as we employ none but competent and experienced workmen, all work manufactured at this Establishment will be warranted.

G. M. PULLMAN. TIMOTILY COLBY, A. R. QUIMBY.

## COFFINS.

We have a department exclusively devoted to the sale of Coffins, Shrouds. etc., wherein may be found at all times a full-and complete assortment of all articles in that line. Also, we are prepared to funish a good Hearse and Carriages, at short notice, and on the most reasonable terms.

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## PULLMAN FURNITURE

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The above advertisment is taken from Sketches of the Village of Albion by Arad Thomas, 1853. The text of this is reprinted as follows:

> CABINET FURNITURE & CHAIRS. At Wholesale and Retail. G.M. Pullman & Co.,

Having completed their extensive arrangements for manufacturing, and greatly enlarged their Ware-rooms at No. 4 and 5, Clark's Block, now offers a large and elegant assortment of Cabinet Furniture, Chairs, Matrasses, etc., of superior workmanship and style of finish, and at prices that cannot fail to insure the attention of the closest buyers.

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George M. Pullman was born in Brockton, Chautauqua County in 1831 to James Lewis Pullman and Emily Minton Pullman. In the early 1840s James and Emily Pullman and their children moved to Albion where Mr. Pullman was engaged in the cabinet making business. In due course of time his son George M. Pullman entered into the business with him. James Pullman becamse sick in December 1852 and died the following November in 1853.

The above advertisement indicates that George had taken over the business some time in 1853. By 1857 however, Goerge had decided to go west, perhaps taking the advice of Horace Greeley. It was in Chicago that George M. Pullman really began to make a name for himselft. Because of his training and background in the cabinet business, it is easy to understand how the got involved in the manufacturing of railway cars. The first actual Pullman Sleeping Car was a reconstructed day coach which he produced in 1859. From then on George Pullman's life turned into a financial success story. By the end of the 19th century he was one of America's leading industrialists through the Pullman Palace Car Company. The Pullman name became and still is associated with excellence. In 1894 he had built the Pullman Memorial Universalist Church in Albion to honor the memory of his parents.