

# Albion Historical Postcard Views

Back in June, a book was published entitled Historical Postcard Views of Albion, New York. Four hundred copies in full color reproduction show 200 post cards which were printed from the 1890's up to the early 1970's. Only 100 copies remain of this limited edition with no plans for a second printing. With the Christmas market now in full swing this publication would easily suit that person who is hard to buy for especially if he or she is interested in Albion history. The books for \$20 are still available at the Little Book Shop

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on Main St. in Medina, at Bindings Book Shop on West Bank St. in Albion and at The Family Hardware Store on Main St. in Albion.

The post cards each with a caption are grouped by categories. Various subjects include: Business District, Canal Scenes, Cemetery, Christmas Park,



County Buildings, Fire Department, Schools and street scenes to mention a few. The last three pages in the book include some

souvenirs which were published over 100 years ago using the same photos as seen on the post cards. One of the postcards

seen in the book is shown here. It is the intersection of Main Street and State Street. The center of interest is the Swan Library. Adjacent to it on the right is the Odd Fellows Hall built in 1907. Headed towards Main Street is a trolley car on West State Street. In the lower part of the picture we see trolley tracks in the street. A double set of tracks was located in the block in front of the Court House between Main and Platt Street. This is where trolley cars could meet and bypass each other. In Medina, however, there was a double set of

tracks from Bates Road to Ohio Street which gave trolley cars a greater interval of time to meet and go by one another. The card shown was published by Harris H. Freeman and printed in Germany. Germans enjoyed a fine reputation in lithography and printing in the early 20th century. Sometimes the messages people wrote on the cards are amusing. On the back of this one is penned: "Cheer up there ain't no Hell. September 1, '10."

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