


## The Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney Family Documentary

*Part I: Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney (Covering the years 1849-1899)*

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*Kittie A Talbot*  
  
*586 E. Division St Chicago*

*Edward H Talbot*

Edward H. Talbot and Katherine (“Kittie”) A. Rooney were married at Holy Name Cathedral on June 23, 1880. Edward was 25 and Kittie was 30 years old.

Their signatures shown above are from the probate case file of Kittie’s mother Julia (Phelan) Rooney, which Kittie was a co-executor.

Edward was the son of Thomas Talbot and Hannah McDonald/McDonnell. He was born in Taunton, MA on 6/30/1854 and was baptized at St. Mary’s Catholic church in Taunton on 7/2/1854. The Talbot family remained in Taunton, MA until about 1857. They briefly lived in Wisconsin and St. Louis (Missouri) until settling in Chicago, IL around 1861 or 1862. At the time of their marriage, Edward was living with his parents on the corner of 17th and Wentworth in the South Loop neighborhood where his father previously operated a saloon.

Kittie was the daughter of William Rooney and Julia Phelan, who were prominent early settlers of Chicago dating back to 1835. She was baptized at St. Mary’s Catholic church on 12/5/1849. The church did not list date of birth. St. Mary’s was the oldest Catholic church in Chicago and was located Downtown on the corner of Madison and Wabash at the time of Kittie’s baptism. The Rooney family operated a large farm in present-day Des Plaines and Mt. Prospect while they also lived in Chicago. Kittie’s father William Rooney built at least two commercial buildings Downtown during the rebuilding efforts after the 1871 Great Chicago Fire. He also built a family home in the Gold Coast neighborhood located at present-day 43 E. Division at the intersection of Division and Astor. Kittie was living with her parents on Division at the time of the marriage, where a wedding breakfast was held for the Rooney and Talbot families after the ceremony at Holy Name Cathedral.

Edward H. Talbot spent most of his early career working for the railroads as a clerk and bookkeeper. He started his own real estate and promoter business around 1894 with offices located in Downtown Chicago. Edward started multiple businesses during his marriage to Kittie Rooney, which are described in a separate documentary.

Kittie Rooney was working as a piano teacher at the time of the 1871 Chicago Fire while living with her sisters Hannah and Anna in the Near North Side neighborhood on Delaware and Rush in Chicago. Kittie’s last verified address was just prior to the Chicago Fire and it is not known if her residence or belongings were destroyed.

Edward H. Talbot and Kittie Talbot had at least three children, all born in Chicago. It’s possible there were an additional three deceased infants.

Child	Birth	Baptism	Notes
Frank Thomas Talbot	3/29/1885	Nativity (Bridgeport)	Died when two days old (may not have been baptized)
Edgar H. Talbot	2/3/1888		
Marie Therese Talbot	6/28/1890	St. Elizabeth (Grand Boulevard)	

Their daughter Marie Talbot married Martin J. Flanagan in 1922 at Holy Name Cathedral, the same church where her parents were married in 1880. They are Michael E. Byczek’s great-grandparents.

Kittie (Rooney) Talbot passed away on 9/19/1899 while living in the Talbot family home located at 6550 Woodlawn in the Woodlawn neighborhood of Chicago. She was 49 years old. Her funeral was held at Holy Cross Catholic church near their home.

Kittie is buried in the Talbot family plot at Calvary Cemetery (Evanston, IL) with her husband Edward, daughter Marie (Talbot) Flanagan, granddaughter Anna Flanagan, and Edward’s parents Thomas and Hannah Talbot.

Edward H. Talbot remarried, which is the subject of a separate documentary covering the years 1900-1908.

The Talbot residential and business entires from the Chicago Directories have been compiled as a separate documentary.



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State of Illinois, } ss. COOK COUNTY. The People of the State of Illinois:

To any Person Legally Authorized to Solemnize Marriage, GREETING:

**MARRIAGE** may be celebrated between

Mr. *Edward Talbot*  
of *Chicago* in the County of *Cook* and State  
of *Ill*, of the age of *25* years, and

Miss *Kittie A. Rooney*  
of *Chicago* in the County of *Cook* and State  
of *Ill*, of the age of *22* years.

WITNESS, **E. F. C. KLOKKE**, Clerk of the County Court of said Cook  
County, and the Seal thereof, at my office in Chicago, this *22*  
day of *June* A. D. 18*80* *E. F. C. Klokke*  
CLERK OF THE COUNTY COURT.

State of Illinois, } ss. COUNTY OF COOK. I, *Dm J Dowling* a Priest  
hereby certify that Mr. *Edward Talbot*  
and M. *Kittie Rooney* were united in Marriage by me at  
*Chicago* in the County of Cook and State of Illinois,  
on the *23* day of *June* 18*80* *Dm J Dowling*  
*Holy Name Cathedral*

(OVER.) The J. M. W. Jones Stationery & Printing Co., Chicago.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

1880 Marriage License for Edward H. Talbot and Kittie Rooney  
Chicago, IL

" 23 <sup>rd</sup> "	Edward H. Connelly & Maggie Keaton
" 23 <sup>rd</sup> "	Edward Talbot & Kittie A. Rooney
" " "	John Perwin & Elizabeth McGrath

47085	Thomas Wallace & Mary Steel	S. J. Dowling
47097	John Polaw & Maggie Rooney	" "
	Thomas H. Wallace & Mary Pauline	M. H. McArthur

1880 Church marriage record for Edward H. Talbot and Kittie Rooney  
Holy Name Cathedral (Chicago, IL)

Kittie's sister Maggie Rooney was a witness



Holy Name Cathedral (Chicago, IL)  
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days, at 602 Carlton Avenue.

A very quiet wedding was celebrated at the Cathedral of the Holy Name Wednesday, the parties to the contract being Miss Kittie Rooney, of this city, and Mr. Edward Talbot, well known in railroad circles. After a breakfast at the house of the bride's parents, the happy couple departed on their wedding-trip.

Tuesday at Bird's Nest Chapel near Clover

Newspaper Announcement of the Marriage for Edward H. Talbot and Kittie Rooney  
Chicago Tribune - 6/27/1880





The William and Julia Rooney Family Residence  
586 Division (Present-day 43 E. Division) - Gold Coast Neighborhood of Chicago, IL  
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The wedding breakfast was held at the home of the bride's parents after the ceremony at Holy Name Cathedral

{	Maggie Stewart.....20....	Chicago.
{	Edward Talbot.....25....	900 Wentworth av.
{	Kittie Rooney.....22....	586 Division.
{	Andrew Morrison.....27....	172 Carroll av.

	{	Maggie Stewart.....20....	Same.
47,097	{	Edward Talbot.....25....	900 Wentworth av
	{	Kittie A. Rooney.....22....	586 Division.
47,098	{	Andrew Morrison.....27....	172 Carroll av.

Newly Issued Marriage Licenses  
Top: Chicago Tribune - 6/27/1880  
Bottom: Chicago Inter Ocean (6/23/1880)

**Edward H. Talbot**  
*Early Life*

Refer to the documentary about Thomas Talbot and Hannah McDonnell/McDonald for detailed information about Edward's life prior to his marriage to Kittie Rooney.

155	" 4. "	Mary Henry	Female	"	James & Ann Henry	"	Labour	Ireland	"
156	Aug 12. "	James H. Coffey	Male	"	Thos & Margaret Coffey	"	"	"	Lyons
157	June 30. "	Edward Talbot	"	"	Thos & Annah Talbot	"	Moulder	"	Ireland
158	Feb 26. "	Catherine Hoge	Female	"	Thos & Margaret Hoge	"	Tracer	"	"
159	" 16 "	Thomas Talbot	Male	"	Thos & Margaret Talbot	"	"	"	"

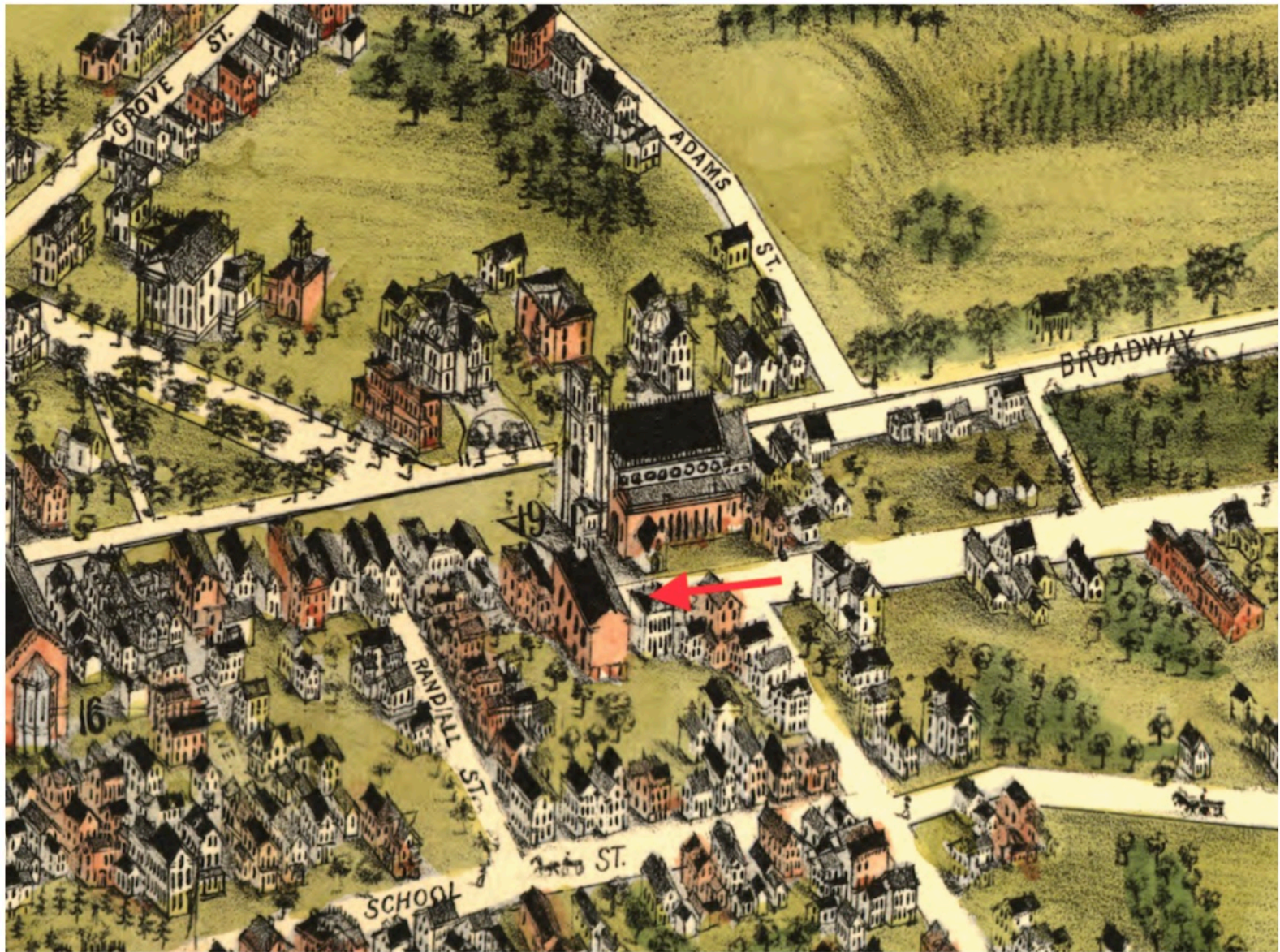
1854 Birth Register of Edward H. Talbot  
Taunton, MA

1854 (49)  
 Ann 30 + July 2 Edward, of Thomas Talbot and - Dwyer  
 Sprus ————— Sam Owen DH  
 Ann 13. James Henry of Talbot's R. —————

1854 Baptism for Edward H. Talbot  
St. Mary's (Taunton, MA)

Mother is only referred to as Dwyer, which is a mistake.





#### 1875 Birds-Eye View of St. Mary Church

Online sources refer to the original church having been rebuilt after the 1856 Fire on the site of the current rectory before it was moved to East Taunton.

The location of the rectory shows a building with what appears to be a bell tower.

It's hard to confirm from this perspective, but that may be the original church where Thomas and Hannah were married and Edward baptized.



INHABITANTS in Saunton in the COUNTY of Bristol STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
enumerated by me, the 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 1855. Wm. C. Haden

Dwelling-house numbered in the order of visitation.		THE NAME Of every Person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1855, was in this family.	AGE.													Sex.	Color. { White, Black, or Mulatto.	Profession, Occupation, or Trade, of each Male Person, over 15 years of age.	PLACE OF BIRTH. Name the State, Territory, or Country.	Whether Deaf and Dumb, Blind, Insane, Idiotic, Pauper, or Convict.	
1	2	3	Under ....5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100	Over...100						5
1	"	Mary Welch				24											H		Ireland		1
2	"	William Finnell				23 <sup>2</sup>											M	B Smith	"		2
3	"	Thomas Finnell				25 <sup>2</sup>											M				3
4	"	James M. Coffey	1														M		"		14
5	"	Thomas Talbot				28											M	Moulton	Ireland		15
6	"	Hannah Talbot				27 <sup>2</sup>											H		"		16
7	"	Edward Talbot	1														M		Mass		17
8	"	John McDonald				33 <sup>1</sup>											M	Labour	Ireland		18
9	"	James McDonald				35 <sup>2</sup>											M	"	"		19
10	"	Thomas Connors				41 <sup>2</sup>											M	"	"		20

1855 Massachusetts State Census

Edward's uncles John and James McDonald were living with the Talbot family

**SCHEDULE 1.—Free Inhabitants in** (Eighth Ward) St. Louis **in the County of** St. Louis **State**  
**of** Mo. **enumerated by me, on the** 4<sup>th</sup> **day of** Aug. **1860.** P. J. Pauley **Asst Marshal**  
**Post Office** St. Louis

Dwelling-houses— numbered in the order of visitation.	Families numbered in the order of visitation.	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family.	Description.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age.	VALUE OF ESTATE OWNED.		Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within this year.	Persons over 20 yrs of age who cannot read & write.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
			Age.	Sex.	White, black, or color.		Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		W. H. McMillan	9	M					Ohio				

91		Henrietta "	1	"					"				
92	2818	Wm. Talbot	30	M		Porter			Ireland				99
93		Honora "	30	F					"				93
94		Edward "	6	M					Mass				94
95		James "	2	"					Wis.				95
96		Thos. "	9/2	"					"				96
97		La. McDonald	40	"		Laborer			Ireland			1	97
98	1379 2819	Harmon Stoner	24	"		Grocer		500	Prussia				98

1860 Census - St. Louis, Missouri

Edward's uncle James McDonald was living with the Talbot family



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Inquiries numbered 7, 16, and 17 are not to be asked in respect to infants. Inquiries numbered 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, and 20 are to be answered (if at all) merely by an affirmative mark, as /.

SCHEDULE 1.—Inhabitants in The Sixth Ward of Chicago, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois, enumerated by me on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1870.

Post Office: Chicago Andrew Jacoby, Ass't Marshal.

1	2	3	DESCRIPTION.			7	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE OWNED.		10	PARENTAGE.		13	14	15	EDUCATION.		18	CONSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS.	
			Age at last birth-day, if under 1 year, give months in fractions, thus, 1/2.	Sex—Males (M.), Females (F.).	Color—White (W.), Black (B.), Mulatto (M.), Chinese (C.), Indian (I.).		Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.		Father of foreign birth.	Mother of foreign birth.				Attended school within the year.	Cannot read.	Cannot write.	Male Citizens of U. S. of 21 years of age and upward.	Male Citizens of U. S. of 21 years of age and upward, whose right to vote is denied or abridged on account of race, color, or other crime.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	176 3/8	Fortia Peter	25	M	W	Cropper			Illinois	/	/							/	
2		— Crown	19	M	W	Shipping Lines			Ohio										
3		— John	2	M	W	at home			Indiana	X									
4	314	Talbot Thomas	46	M	W	Saloon Keeper	3200	500	Ireland	/	/							/	
5		— Phoebe	42	F	W	Shipping Lines			"	/	/								
6		— Edward	16	M	W	at home			Massachusetts	/	/								
7		— Thomas	19	M	W	attending school			Wisconsin	/	/			/					
8		— William	8	M	W	"			Illinois	/	/			/					
9		— Miss	6	F	W	"			"	/	/							/	

1870 Census - Chicago, IL

Addresses were not written on the census form, but the Talbot family was living at 1700 Wentworth in the South Loop neighborhood of Chicago, IL  
Thomas Talbot was a saloon keeper

Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

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N. G. Bossi

*Enumerator.*

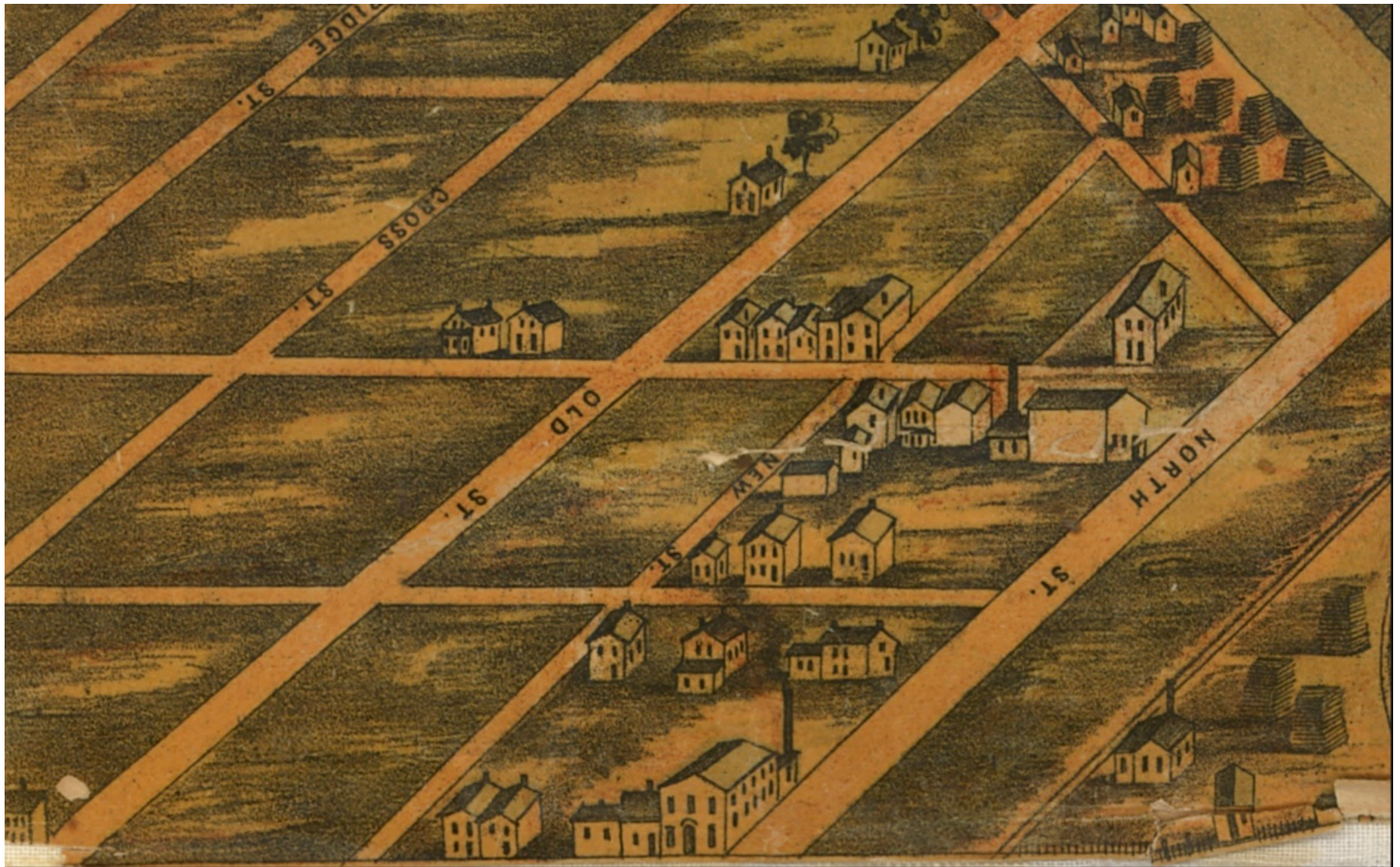
In Cities.	Name of Street.	House Number.	Dwelling houses numbered in order of visitation.	Families numbered in order of visitation.	The Name of each Person whose place of abode, on 1st day of June, 1880, was in this family.	Personal Description.			Relationship of each person to the head of this family—whether wife, son, daughter, servant, boarder, or other.	Civil Condition.			Occupation.	Number of months this person has been unemployed during the Census year.	Health.								Education.			Nativity.		
						Color—White, W.; Black, B.; Mulatto, Mu.; Chinese, C.; Indian, I.	Sex—Male, M.; Female, F.	Age at last birthday prior to June 1, 1880. If under 1 year, give months in fractions, thus, 5y.		Single, /	Married, /	Widowed, /			Divorced, D.	Blind, /	Deaf and dumb, /	Idiotic, /	Inane, /	Maimed, Crippled, Deaf, Blind, or otherwise disabled, /	Attended school within the Census year, /	Cannot read, /	Cannot write, /	Place of Birth of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the person, naming the State or Territory of United States, or Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the person, naming the State or Territory of United States, or Country, if of foreign birth.		
1						4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

1880 Census - Chicago, IL

1700 Wentworth (South Loop, Chicago, IL)  
Edward was working as a bookkeeper (his father was a Teamster)

The census was taken about two weeks before Edward and Kittie were married.





1857 Birds Eye Map of Chicago  
The Talbot family home at 1700 Wentworth is shown in this map

It is the corner building on New St between New and Old Streets (four buildings in a row) in the center of the image  
The building had a side extension (looks like one and one-half width total buildings)  
Thomas Talbot purchased the property a few years after the date of this map.





17th and Wentworth prior to recent redevelopment  
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The Talbot family home was approximately in the area of the far light pole





17th and Wentworth (present-day)  
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The Talbot family home would have been approximately located between the first two light poles on the left side of the street



**Kittie Rooney**  
*Early Life*

Refer to the documentary about William Rooney and Julia Phelan for detailed information about Kittie's life prior to her marriage to Edward Talbot.

Dec 5<sup>th</sup> I Baptized Catharine daughter of William  
& Judith Rooney srs John Ryan & Bridget Bowe.  
Joseph Ryan

1849 Baptism of Kittie Rooney  
St. Mary's (Chicago, IL)



1857 Birds Eye Map of Chicago  
St. Mary's was located on the corner of Madison and Wabash in Downtown (center of this image)

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**SCHEDULE 1.—Free Inhabitants in** Township of Maine **in the County of** Cook **State** Illinois  
**of** Illinois **enumerated by me, on the** 24<sup>th</sup> **day of** June **1860.** J. F. Hoerner **Ass't Marshal.**  
**Post Office** Carfield.

Dwelling-house numbered in the order of visitation.	Families numbered in the order of visitation.	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family.	DESCRIPTION.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age.	VALUE OF ESTATE OWNED.		Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within the year.	Persons over 20 yrs of age who cannot read & write.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
			Age.	Sex.	White, black, or mulatto.		Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
								800	England				

0				23 m									11
1	154	155	William Rooney	48 m		Farmer	15,000	3,000	Ireland				12
2			Johnna "	41 f			1,800		"				13
3			Alma "	22 f					New York				14
4			John "	20 m					"				15
5			Hugh "	18 m					"				16
6			Brady "	17 f					Illinois				17
7			Elizabeth "	16 f					"				18
8			Johnna "	13 f					"				19
9			William "	14 m					"				20
10			Mary "	12 f					"				21
11			John "	10 f					"				22
12			Margaret "	6 f					"				23
13			Josephine "	4 f					Denmark				24

1860 Census  
 Town of Maine (Cook County, IL)  
 The William Rooney Farm in present-day Des Plaines, IL



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Inquiries numbered 7, 16, and 17 are not to be asked in respect to infants. Inquiries numbered 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, and 20 are to be answered (if at all) merely by an affirmative mark, as /.

SCHEDULE A—Inhabitants in 19<sup>th</sup> Ward Chicago, in the County of Cook, State of Ill, enumerated by me on the 30 day of June, 1870.

Post Office: Chicago Jos E. Lynn, Ass't Marshal.

Dwelling-house, numbered in the order of visitation.	Family, numbered in the order of visitation.	The name of every person whose place of abode on the first day of June, 1870, was in this family.	DESCRIPTION.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female.	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE OWNED.		Place of Birth, naming State or Territory of U. S.; or the Country, if of foreign birth.	PARENTAGE.		If born within the year, state month (Jan., Feb., &c.)	If married within the year, state month (Jan., Feb., &c.)	Attended school within the year.	EDUCATION.		Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic.	CONSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS.	
			Age at last birthday. If under 1 year, give months in fractions, thus, 7/12.	Sex—Male (M.) Female (F.)	Color—White (W.), Black (B.), Mulatto (M.), Chinese (C.), Indian (I.)		Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.		Father of foreign birth.	Mother of foreign birth.				Cannot read.	Cannot write.		Male Citizens of U. S. of 21 years of age and upwards.	Male Citizens of U. S. of 21 years of age and upwards, who are or have been or are about to be drafted or abridged on other grounds than rebellion or other crime.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20

15		Charles	1	M	W														
16	1204	Boucher Patrick	28	M	W	Porter			Ireland	/	/							/	
17		Anna	26	F	W	Rugby house			Ill	/	/								
18		Mary	1	F	W				"	/	/								
19		Rooney Kate	16	F	W	Piano Teacher			"	/	/								
20		Hannah	21	F	W	Dressmaker			"	/	/								

# 1870 Census

The address was not written on the census form, but records suggest the residence was located on Delaware and Rush near present-day Water Tower Place.

Kittie was working as a piano teacher while living with her sisters Anna (Rooney) Boucher and Hannah Rooney



Delaware and Rush (Chicago, IL)  
Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, Copyright 2009

Kittie Rooney would have lived approximately where the gap between the two buildings is located along the left side

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Supervisor's Dist. No. 1  
Enumeration Dist. No. 184

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1879, and ends May 31, 1880.  
Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.  
Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

SCHEDULE 1.—Inhabitants in Chicago, in the County of Cook, State of Illinois  
enumerated by me on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1880.  
Geo. W. Krumm Enumerator.

In Cities.		Personal Description.		Civil Condition.		Occupation.	Health.	Education.	Nativity.																
Name of Street.	House Number.	Color—White, W.; Black, B.; Mexican, M.; Chinese, C.; Indian, I.	Sex—Male, M.; Female, F.	Single, /; Married, /; Widowed, /; Married during Census year, /.	Profession, Occupation or Trade of each person, male or female.	Is the person (on the day of the Enumerator's visit) sick or temporarily disabled, so as to be unable to attend to ordinary business or duties? If so, what is the sickness or disability?	Blind, /; Deaf and Dumb, /; Lame, /; Paralyzed, /; Other, /.	Attended school within the Census year, /; Cannot read, /; Cannot write, /.	Place of Birth of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the FATHER of this person, naming the State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the MOTHER of this person, naming the State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.														
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
43 E	93	Rooney, Mrs	W F 40																						
		Julia	W F 41	wife	Keeping house																				
		Ellie	W F 32	daughter	At home																				
		Hugh	W 16 32	son	Capitchet.																				
		Barry	W F 24	daughter	At home	Consumption																			
		Katie	W F 22	daughter	At home																				
		Maggie	W F 20	daughter	At home																				

1880 Census  
586 Division (present-day 43 E. Division) - Gold Coast (Chicago, IL)  
The census was taken about two weeks before Kittie married Edward Talbot.





“William Rooney’s Building”  
Corner of Lake and Franklin in Downtown Chicago, built in 1873  
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Kittie (Rooney) Talbot managed the property during her mother’s probate that lasted between 1885-1894 (she was co-executor of her mother’s estate)



Kittie (Rooney) Talbot  
Death

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: CITY OF CHICAGO: BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS. 1899

REPORT OF DEATH IN Mercy HOSPITAL. 19185

Permit for Burial will be issued only on this form of Report correctly filled out. Refer to back of Report for Instructions.

1. Name of Deceased (in full) Katherine R. Talbot  
 2. Sex: F Color: W 3. Place of Birth Lee  
 4. Age: 38 years 9 months 9 days. 5. Lived in Illinois 38 years.  
 6. Died on the 19 day of Sept 1899, at about 30 M. SEP 20 1899  
 7. Single, Married, Widowed, Occupation Housewife  
 8. Removed to Hospital from 5550 Woodlawn Ward 37  
 9. Place of Burial: Calvary 10. Undertaker: W. J. Cunningham License No. 5115 State St  
 Date: 1899 Address: 5115 State St

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE OF CAUSE OF DEATH.

I hereby Certify, That, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the cause of the death of the above named and described deceased was as hereunder written:

CAUSE OR CAUSES OF DEATH.		DURATION OF CAUSE.			
Chief and Determining	Contributing and Consecutive Causes	Years.	Months.	Days.	Hours.
<u>Peritonitis secondary to probable</u>					
<u>appendicitis - without operation</u>					

Witness my Hand, This 20th day of September 1899. { (Signature:) W. J. Cunningham M. D.  
 Address: Mercy Hospital.

1899 Death Certificate of Kittie (Rooney) Talbot  
Chicago, IL

TALBOT—Sept. 19, at her residence, 6550 Wood-lawn-av., Kittie A. Talbot (née Rooney), beloved wife of E. H. Talbot. Funeral Thursday, Sept. 21, at 9 a. m., to Holy Cross Church, thence to Calvary by carriages.

church, thence by carriages to Bethany cemetery.  
TALBOT—Sept. 19, at her residence, 6550 Wood-lawn-av., KITTIE A. TALBOT (née Rooney), beloved wife of E. H. Talbot.  
Funeral Thursday, Sept. 21, at 9 a. m., at Holy Cross church, thence by carriages to Calvary.

THOMPSON—At Chicago, Sept. 19, FRANCIS

TALBOT—Sept. 19, at her residence, 6550 Wood-lawn-av., KITTIE A. TALBOT (née Rooney), beloved wife of E. H. Talbot.  
Funeral Thursday, Sept. 21, at 9 a. m., at Holy Cross church, thence by carriages to Calvary.  
VAIL—At parents' residence, 5014 LaSalle-st

#### Obituaries for Kittie (Rooney) Talbot

Top: Chicago Tribune (9/20/1899)

Middle: Chicago Record (9/20/1899)

Bottom: Chicago Daily News (9/20/1899)

Deceased 10/21/99 Catherine Talbot			
	Lot	Block	Section
	56	1	B
Age.	38	Died	Sept. 19, 1899
At.	Mercy Hosp.		
Location			

Burial Index Card - Kittie (Rooney) Talbot  
Calvary (Evanston, IL)

It is unclear whether the date of burial (10/21) is correct when the date of death was 9/19.  
It's possible the date of burial was 9/21, since that was the date of her funeral.

TALBOT, Hannah		56	1	B
OWNER		PART OF LOT	LOT	BLOCK
SECTION				
DATE OF PURCHASE: Feb. 20, 1893 NO. OF GRAVES: 6		TYPE OF CARE <b>INCOME CARE</b>		
SIZE OF LOT: X NO. OF SQ. FT. 222'		Amt. \$ 243 <sup>00</sup> Paid <i>Paid April 1970</i> Initial <i>10<sup>00</sup></i> in Full <i>4/3/1968</i> Pay't. \$ 10 <sup>00</sup> Date <i>4/3/1968</i>		
		SEE FILE 134		

DATE OF INTERMENT	NAME OF DECEASED	TYPE AND SIZE OF BOX	LOCATION
1 2/4/14	Bridget Talbot		
2 8/8/23	Anna Flanagan	Small	South of Center Front
3 5/9/33	Thomas Talbot	Cement	N.E. Corner
4 10/26/39	John Hudson	Pine	South Line
5 10/21/99	Catherine Talbot		
6 1/31/03	Hannah Talbot		
7 8/13/08	Edward H. Talbot		
8 11/2/11	Thomas J. Talbot		
9 6/30/51	Delia Hudson	28sp Mon.	2nd S.Line
10 2/18/57	Marie Flanagan	28sp Stnd	2nd North line
11 3/10/93	Thomas Talbot		

Thomas and Hannah Talbot Family Plot  
Calvary Cemetery (Evanston, IL)



### Analysis of Map

There are 11 people buried in the plot of 6 graves.  
X indicates their location is on the map

- X Thomas Talbot - 1892 (Edward's father)
- X Hannah Talbot - 1903 (Edward's mother)
- Kittie Talbot - 1899 (Edward's first wife)
- Edward Talbot - 1908
- X Marie Flanagan - 1957 (Edward's daughter)
- X Anna Flanagan - 1923 (Edward's granddaughter)
- X Delia Hudson - 1951 (Edward's 2nd wife)
- X John Hudson - 1939 (Delia's 2nd husband)
- Thomas Talbot - 1911 (Edward's brother)
- Bridget Talbot - 1914 (Thomas's wife from above)
- X Thomas Talbot - 1933 (Delia's brother)

It would appear that Thomas and Hannah are buried in the middle with Anna Flanagan at their feet.

That would imply that bodies were buried in order of death.

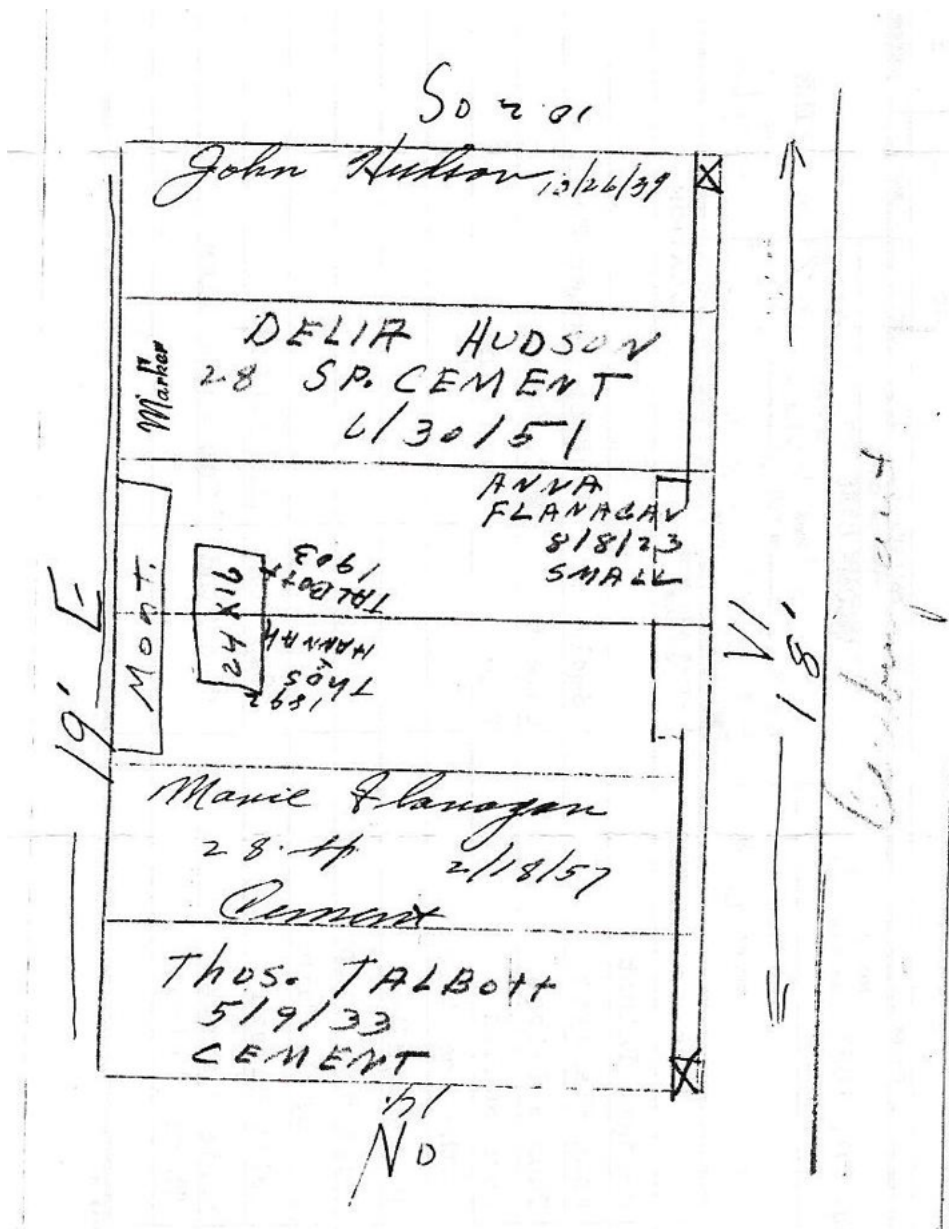
Other than Thomas and Hannah, the next four deaths are the four people without a location.

Following the chronology of deaths, the first six were Thomas, Kittie, Hannah, Edward, Thomas, and Bridget. These are probably the six separate graves. After Bridget in 1914, bodies started being buried on top of the others. That would imply that these four missing graves are the two graves on each end.

The cemetery commented that it was up to the family to know where people were buried within the plot.

It makes sense that Thomas and Hannah are buried alone with the baby at their feet. Bodies were most likely stacked along their sides (two to the left and two to the right).

See below for analysis of where Kittie could be buried.



Kittie was the second death. Only Thomas was buried in the six graves at the time. If Edward had his choice where to bury Kittie, it seems logical to have done so in sequence. If Hannah is buried to the south of Thomas, that would suggest Kittie was buried to the north of Thomas. Marie (Talbot) Flanagan is buried to the north of Thomas, suggesting Marie may have been buried with her mother in the same grave.



Michael E. Byczek at the Talbot Family Plot  
Calvary Cemetery (Evanston, IL)

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Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2016



Holy Cross Church (65th and Jackson)  
Present-day 65th and Maryland (Woodlawn neighborhood of Chicago, IL)  
Credit: [chicagoancestors.org](http://chicagoancestors.org)





Mercy Hospital where Kittie passed away  
25th and Prairie (Chicago, IL)

**Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney**  
*Children*

Representative documents are described below.

# RETURN OF A BIRTH.

State of Illinois,  
COOK COUNTY.

The Physician, Accoucheur or person in attendance should immediately return this Certificate, accurately filled out, to the County Clerk.  
Penalty, \$10.00, if not so certified and returned within thirty days.

## STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

1. \*Full Name of Child (if any), \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Sex, *Male* Race or Color (if not of the white race), \_\_\_\_\_
  3. Number of Child of this Mother, *4*
  4. Date of this Birth, *March 29 - 1885*
  5. †Place of Birth, No. *3215* *Hanover* Street \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_
  6. Residence of Mother, " " " "
  7.
 

Nationality:	Place of Birth:	Age of:
a. Father, _____	<i>Massachusetts</i>	<i>31</i>
b. Mother, _____	<i>Illinois</i>	<i>27</i>
  8. Full Name of Mother, \_\_\_\_\_
  9. Maiden Name of Mother, *Catharine A. Rooney*
  10. Full Name of Father, *Edward Henry Talbot*
  11. Occupation of Father, *Real Estate*
  12. Name and address of other Attendants, if any, \_\_\_\_\_
- Dated, \_\_\_\_\_ 188 . Returned by *L. A. Williams* } M. D.  
Residence, \_\_\_\_\_ } Midwife.

\* The given name of Child should be certified, if possible, when this Certificate is made, and should, in any case, be certified and registered within a year.  
† City, number, street and ward; same in towns that have them; township or precinct.

1885 Birth Certificate for Frank Talbot (first name not listed)  
Family was living at 3215 Hanover (present-day 3215 S. Canal) in the Bridgeport neighborhood (Chicago, IL)

Edward's middle name was listed as "Henry" not "Howard" as later documents would suggest  
The birth was listed as the mother's 4th child, suggesting three prior deceased children



7/8 Drake	William Mc	24 178	Quincy,	do	29	do
10 Talbot	"	29 3215	Hanover,	Am	31	Am
20 Dassel	Christian	" 4 "	24 452	W 12th	24	Am
28 Persik	William	" 5 "	29 135	Dorchester,	30	Boh.

Albertina Henning.	Kilberth Drake	Daniel.	Wm & Stieber.
Katharine Porter,	Edward Mc Talbot	Real Estate	Sam Williams.
Theresa Euzentcher.	William Dassel.	Egg, N.Y.	Amalie Honig.
Maria Pitt.	John Persik	Boh.	do

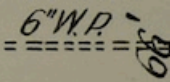
Birth Register for Frank Talbot  
Chicago, IL

Peter	Thomas McCormick	Anna Victory	Apr 7
Francis Thomas	Edw. Talbot.	Cath. A Rooney	Mar 29
Cornelius Wm.	Jas H Tracey	Cath. Shuman	Apr 4

"	"	Ths. Talbot	Julia Boucher	"	"
"	"	Richd Halligan	Margt Tracey	"	"

Baptism for Frank Talbot  
Nativity (Bridgeport - Chicago, IL)

Godparents were Thomas Talbot (presume Edward's brother) and Julia Boucher (Kittie' niece)



3215 Hanover (present-day 3215 S. Canal) - Bridgeport neighborhood of Chicago, IL





Present-day location of 3215 S. Canal  
Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, 2022





Nativity Church  
Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, Copyright 2022.

# RETURN OF A BIRTH.

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State of Illinois,  
COOK COUNTY.

The Physician, Accoucheur or person in attendance should immediately return this Certificate, accurately filled out, to the County Clerk.  
Penalty, \$10.00, if not so certified and returned within thirty days.

## STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

1. \*Full Name of Child (if any), Edgar H. Talbot
  2. Sex, male Race or Color (if not of the white race), white
  3. Number of Child of this Mother, second
  4. Date of this Birth, Feb 3rd 1888
  5. †Place of Birth, No. 188 W 18th Street, Ward.
  6. Residence of Mother, " 188 W 18th " "
  7.
 

	Nationality:	Place of Birth:	Age of:
a. Father,	<u>US</u>	<u>Ills</u>	<u>32</u>
b. Mother,	<u>US</u>	<u>Ills</u>	<u>26</u>
  8. Full Name of Mother, Mathewine Talbot
  9. Maiden Name of Mother, Mathewine Brown
  10. Full Name of Father, Edward H. Talbot
  11. Occupation of Father, Clerk
  12. Name and address of other Attendants, if any, \_\_\_\_\_
- Dated, Feb 7th 1888 Returned by J. H. Ashmun } M. D.  
Residence, 262 W. 18th St. } Midwife.

\* The given name of Child should be certified, if possible, when this Certificate is made, and should, in any case, be certified and registered within a year.  
† City, number, street and ward; same in towns that have them; township or precinct.

1888 Birth Certificate for Edgar H. Talbot  
Chicago, IL

Family was living at 188 W. 18th St (present-day 724 W. 18th) in the Pilsen neighborhood  
The birth was listed as the mother's second child (this could imply the second child still living versus total born)  
Unclear whether the number of children written on Frank's birth certificate was a mistake

10 Seibel	H 3	3 407 P. Clinton	Am	27 Am
1 Talbot	M 2	188 H 18th	"	32 "
2 Toman	5	4 189 Philadelphia	"	Boh

Mari	Molt	Robert Seibel	Labors	U. Sterling
Catharine	Rooney	Edward H. Talbot	Clerk	H. L. Hartman
Barbara	Moss	Robert Toman	Labors	Wm. Krae

Birth Register for Edgar Talbot  
Chicago, IL



PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.—Issued by State Board of Health. 10652

State of Illinois,

COOK COUNTY.

CITY BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Physician who attended any person in a last illness should immediately return this Certificate, accurately filled out, to the County Clerk, if the party deceased died outside the limits of the City of Chicago; all deaths inside the city limits should be returned on these blanks to the

1. Name Edgar H. Talbot
2. Sex male Color white
3. Age 2 years 2 months 2 days.
4. Occupation Infant
5. Date of death Feb. 5th 1888 A.M.
6. \*Single, Married, Widower, Widow Single
7. Nationality and place where born N.Y.
8. How long resident in this State since birth
9. †Place of death 115 W 11th St. 7 Ward or town.
10. †Cause of death Cholera infantum Complications None
11. Duration of disease 7 hrs. Duration of Complications.
12. Place of burial Graceland Cemetery
13. Name of Undertaker Dignan
14. Dated at Chicago Feb 5th 1888. W. H. Hartmann M.D.  
Residence 262 W. Madison St.

\*Erase such of these as are not required.

†City—No., Street and Ward; same in towns that have them; township or precinct.

‡State primary and immediate cause of death, and examine the list of diseases printed on cover of this book, pertaining to Coroner's inquests.

The J. M. W. Jones Stationery and Printing Co. Chicago.

1888 Death Certificate for Edgar Talbot  
Chicago, IL

Died when two days old

## DEATHS.

**TALBOT**—Edgar H. Talbot, infant son of Edward and Kittie Talbot (nee Rooney), at their residence, 188 West Eighteenth-st., aged 2 days.

Funeral private.

**UNDERWOOD**—Sunday at 9322 Michigan st.

**TALBOT**—At parents' residence, No. 188 West Eighteenth street, Edgar H., infant son of Edward and Kittie Talbot (nee Rooney), aged 2 days.

Funeral private.

**WOLF**—Feb 4 at his residence No. 633 South

Obituaries for Edgar Talbot  
Top: Chicago Tribune: 2/6/1888  
Bottom: Chicago Inter Ocean - 2/7/1888



724 W. 18th St (Pilsen Neighborhood - Chicago, IL)  
Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, Copyright 2009.



DOYLE, Ellen		North $\frac{1}{2}$	6	5	D
OWNER		PART OF LOT	LOT	BLOCK	SECTION
DATE OF PURCHASE: Apr. 11, 1893		NO. OF GRAVES: 3		TYPE OF CARE PERPETUAL LAWN CARE	
SIZE OF LOT: 8 x 10		NO. OF SQ. FT. 80			
DATE OF INTERMENT	NAME OF DECEASED	TYPE AND SIZE OF BOX	LOCATION		
1 3/7/21	Loretta Bacon		North Line		
2 9/23/26	Ellen Doyle		Center		
3 3/7/59	Anna Doyle	28sp Mon	South line		
4 3/4/11	Mae E. Kelly				
5 2/6/88	Edgar Talbot (O-O-2)				
6 7/22/1871	William Talbot				
7 4/30/1870	James McDonnell				
8 11/12/1865	James Talbot (8)				
9					
10					
11					
12					

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Original Thomas and Hannah Talbot Family Plot (Calvary Cemetery - Evanston, IL)

Edgar Talbot was buried with his uncle James Talbot and great-uncles William Talbot and James McDonnell

Hannah Talbot sold the remaining unused graves to Ellen Doyle when she purchased a larger family plot after Thomas Talbot died in 1892

The first four burials listed in this document refer to the graves sold by Hannah Talbot.

The last four are the graves from when the Talbot family owned the plot.

It is unknown how eight individuals were buried in only three graves, or whether the three graves reference those unused and sold by Hannah Talbot.

June 29, 1890 (Married May 20-1922 to Martin Flannagan at Holy Name  
 Mary Theresa Edward H. Talbot & Kittie Rooney

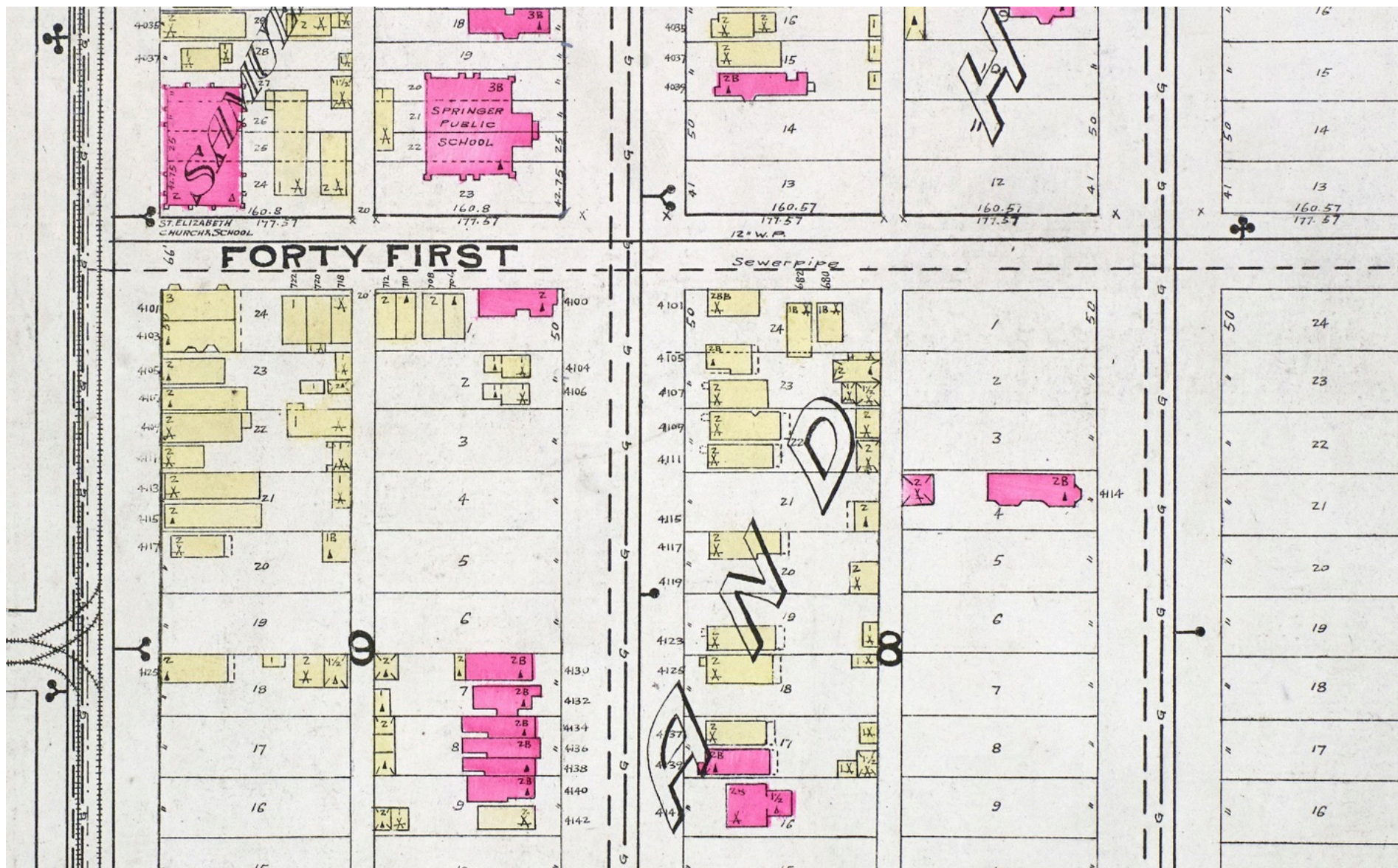
Church in Chicago)  
 June 28, 1890 Thomas Talbot & Mrs. Talbot <sup>ceremonies supplied Aug 3-90</sup> Priently Bapt by J. M. D.

1890 Baptism for Marie Theresa Talbot  
 St. Elizabeth (Grand Boulevard)

Godparents were Thomas Talbot and Mrs. Talbot  
 Presumed to be Edward's mother and father  
 Also possible it was his brother Thomas and mother Hannah

Edward and Kittie Talbot were living with Edward's parents Thomas and Hannah Talbot at their home located at 4132 S. Wabash  
 (Grand Boulevard neighborhood of Chicago, IL)





4132 S. Wabash  
1890 Rascher Insurance Map

The original St. Elizabeth Church is shown on this map located on 41st and State where Marie Talbot was baptized  
The Talbot family home is located to the right of the '9' on the lower left of the image





Present-day 4132 S. Wabash  
Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, Copyright 2008

The Talbot home was the lot with the first two-story building next to the one-story building (white door and three first floor windows)



New St. Elizabeth Church located on 41st and Wabash  
Appears to have been built just after Marie's baptism  
Photo Credit: [chicagoancestors.org](http://chicagoancestors.org)

## **Edward H. Talbot and Kittie Rooney and their families appear to have known each other prior to their marriage in 1880**

Kittie Rooney's niece Julia Periolat was baptized on 9/1/1872 at Holy Family Church. The entry is very badly written. It is without question that the godmother was Catherine Rooney. It is substantially more likely than not that this is Kittie. The godfather is very hard to decipher. The handwriting bares a striking resemblance to the spelling of Edward Talbot.

This baptism was almost eight years before Edward and Kittie were married. Elizabeth's choice of her sister for godmother is common sense. The question is why did they ask Edward, presuming that it's him. There were multiple Edward Talbot names in Chicago at the time.

Kittie was 22 years old and Edward was 18.

Kittie Rooney's nephew George Boucher was baptized at St. Pius V Church on 8/3/1879. The godparents were Thomas and Hanora Talbot. It is more likely than not, that these are Edward's parents. Edward and Kittie were married in June 1880. A reasonable question to ask is how did Kittie's sister know Edward's parents ten months before their marriage?

If these godparents are indeed the correct people, this raises a question whether the Talbot and Rooney families were related, or at least knew each other. Thomas Talbot was from Drom Parish (Co. Tipperary) and William Rooney was from Gortanhoe Parish (Co. Tipperary). These two churches were very near, with just two parish distinctions between them. Julia Phelan was from the area, because William and Julia were living nearby after they were married. It's possible that Hannah McDonald is also from Tipperary. One possibility is that her family was also from Gortnahoe Parish, but this is not verified and is strictly based on similar names.

If this is the correct Edward, it's probably unusual for an 18 year old to be the godfather of a child whose mother and father were quite a bit older than him.

There isn't any known connection between the two families. They attended different churches and worked in different professions. While both families were early parishioners of St. Patrick's it's not known whether they were so at the same time. William Rooney was a member of the Old Setter's Club located a few blocks away from the Thomas Talbot saloon, but during different time periods.

The 1872 and 1879 baptisms, combined with the link to Co. Tipperary, might be an indication about when and how Edward and Kittie met.



1872. Spouses William Byrnes & Bridget  
 Manton  
 On this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August 1872. I have solemnly  
 baptised Julia Perolat daughter of Caesar and  
 Edith Perolat Romney born August 19<sup>th</sup> 1872  
 Spouses Edward Talbot & Catherine Romney  
 On this 31<sup>st</sup> day of August 1872. I have solemnly

Julia  
 Perolat  
 ✓  
 Emma  
 Mc

1872 Baptism of Julia Perolat  
 Godparents appear to be Edward Talbot and Catherine Rooney  
 Holy Family - 8 years before Edward and Kittie's wedding

August 3<sup>rd</sup> 1879. I have this day solemnly baptised  
 George L. George Francis son of Ed<sup>th</sup> Boucher & Bridget  
 Boucher Romney born July 1879. Spouses. Thomas  
 and Hanora Talbot.  
 H. McQuinn  
 H. McQuinn

1879 Baptism for George Boucher  
 Godparents are Thomas and Hanora Talbot  
 St. Pius V - 10 months before Edward and Kittie's wedding

### **Kittie (Rooney) Talbot's Real Estate Ownership**

After the probate of Kittie (Rooney) Talbot's mother Julia (Phelan) Rooney's estate was finalized, Kittie and her sister Margaret (Rooney) Maher used a portion of their inheritance to purchase adjacent vacant lots in the Kenwood neighborhood of Chicago, IL

The two sisters purchased 4933-35 S. Dorchester in 1894. At the time, the street name was Madison.

Since their father William Rooney built two adjacent row houses in the Gold Coast, it's possible that the Talbot and Maher families intended to build a similar building on two lots for their own residences.

Kittie sold her lot in 1896 at the same time that Edward started a real estate and promoter company. It is believed that Kittie was part of the family-owned business and these funds were used as an investment in their entrepreneurial pursuits.

The following year, in 1897, Kittie Talbot purchased a newly constructed residential home in the Woodlawn neighborhood of Chicago located at 6550 S. Woodlawn. The newspaper reported the sale and noted that Kittie purchased the home in her own name as a cash transaction for \$7,000. Kittie (Rooney) Talbot passed away just two years later.

June 2—P. Manning to L. H. Carson.....	1,000
Madison av. 250 n of 50th st. w f. 25x150;	
April 30—R. M. Coffin to M. T. Maher.....	3,125
Madison av. 294 s of 49th st. w f. 25x150;	
April 30—R. M. Coffin to K. A. Talbot... .	3,125
Peoria st. 197 n of 62d st. w f. 25x124; June	

2 (P. Manning to L. H. Carson).....	1,000
Madison-av., 250 n of 50th-st., w f. 25x150;	
April 30 (R. M. Coffin to M. T. Maher) .....	3,125
Madison-av., 294 s of 49th-st., w f. 25x150,	
April 30 (R. M. Coffin to K. A. Talbot) .....	3,125
Peoria-st. 197 n of 62d st. w f. 25x124; June 1	

Above:  
June 6, 1894  
Margaret and Kittie bought at the same time (April 30th)  
Chicago Inter Ocean (top) and Chicago Tribune (bottom)

Below:  
February 7, 1896 (February 4th)  
Kittie sold her lot at a \$600 profit (19.2%) in less than two years.  
Chicago Tribune (top) and Chicago Inter Ocean (bottom)

Thirteen] .....	2,000
Madison-av., 294 s of 49th-st., w f. 25x150,	
Feb. 4 [K. A. Talbot to C. Westcott]....	15
W. 47th-pl. 101 w of Morgan-st. n f 24x	

Linscott to C. G. Thirteen.....	21,000
Madison av., 294 s of 49th st. w f. 25x150;	
Feb. 4—K. A. Talbot to C. Westcott.....	3,725
W. 47th pl. 101 w of Morgan st. n f 24x	



W. H. Stewart reports the following cash sales: For Mary F. Marchant, three-story stone-front residence, No. 6022 Kimbark avenue, to H. H. Bell, for \$10,000; for G. N. Canniff, two-story, stone-front residence, No. 6550 Woodlawn avenue, to K. A. Talbot, for \$7,000; for Mary Yarlott, the northeast corner of Woodlawn avenue and Sixty-sixth street, vacant, to C. W. Hoff, for \$6,500; for Mrs. E. H. Lewis, three-story brick and stone front residence, No. 4357 Lake avenue, to N. W. Sheldon, for \$11,000; for C. W. Hoff the following residences: Southeast corner

Recent noteworthy real estate transactions  
Chicago Tribune - 4/25/1897



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Online Cook County Assessor Photo of 6550 S. Woodlawn

## **SOUTH SIDE REAL ESTATE.**

**FOR SALE—IF YOU WANT A HOUSE, SEE MY  
new modern houses,**

**6428-30 Greenwood-av.,**

**6550-52 Woodlawn-av.,**

**Steam heat, Bedford fronts, large stone porches,  
elegant and complete; reasonable price; your own  
terms. Agent on premises week days.**

**ROBERT JOHNS, owner, 452 Wabash-av.**

The house was listed for sale less than one year prior to Kittie's purchase  
Chicago Tribune - 5/4/1896



Office hours, 9 to 11 a. m. and 2 to 4 p. m.

**FOR SALE — BARGAINS — WOODLAWN**  
houses. 6550 Woodlawn-av., new modern 9-  
room stone residence, steam heat, detached, lot  
25x125. 6423 Greenwood-av., new stone residence,  
hardwood throughout, all modern improvements.  
6416 Greenwood-av., new modern 9-room stone  
residence, hardwood finish and floors, consoles,  
mantels, sideboard, large light rooms. House  
open for inspection Sunday afternoon.  
C. F. PARKER & CO., Excl. Agts., 115 Dearborn.

**FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE—GRAND BLVD.**

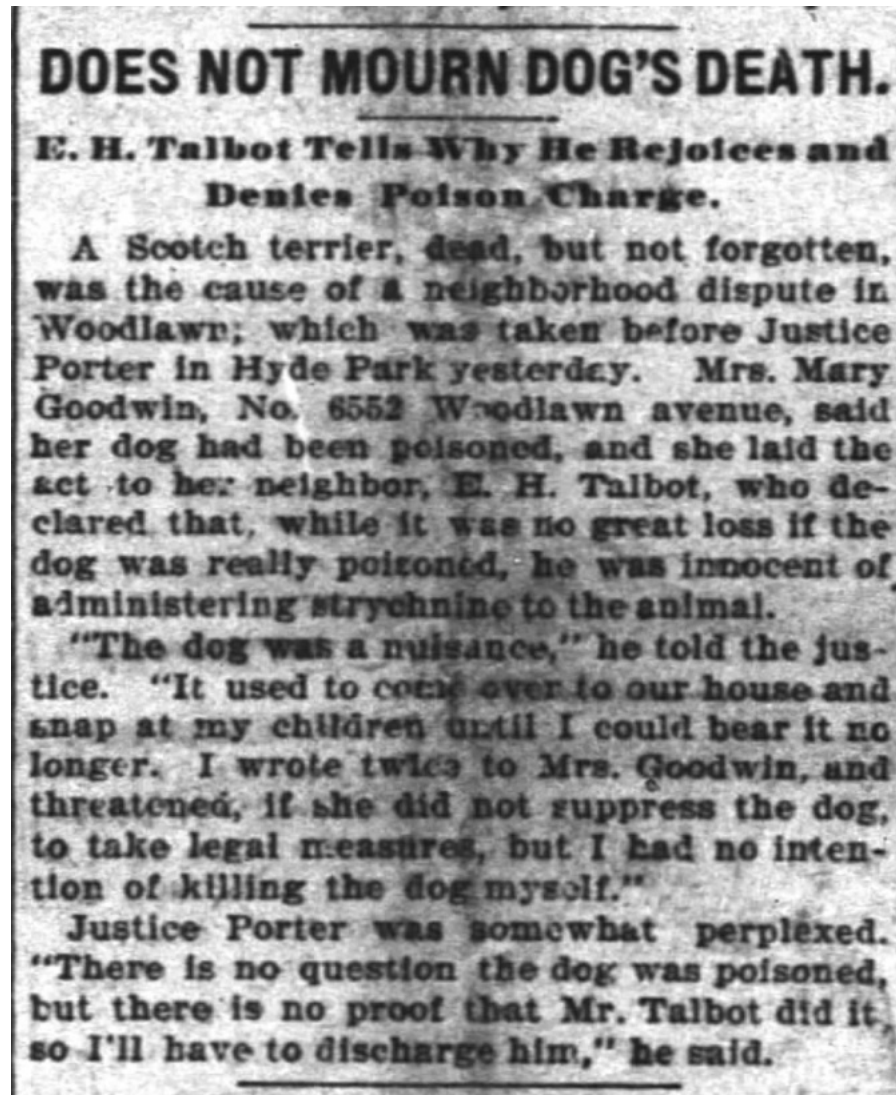
**FOR SALE—BARGAINS—MODERN HOUSES.**  
New modern 11-room stone residence; elegantly  
finished; hot water heat; Vincennes-av., nr. 44th.  
6550 Woodlawn-av., new modern 9-room stone resi-  
dence; steam heat, detached, lot 25x125. Green-  
wood-av., new stone residence, hardwood through-  
out; all modern improvements. 6416 Greenwood-  
av., new modern 9-room stone residence, hard-  
wood finish and floors, consoles, mantels, side-  
boards, large light rooms. Houses open for in-  
spection Sunday afternoon.  
C. F. PARKER & CO., Excl. Agts., 115 Dearborn.

Edward H. Talbot listed the home at 6550 S. Woodlawn shortly after Kittie's death

Top: Chicago Tribune - 12/3/1899

Bottom: Chicago Tribune - 12/10/1899

Note: It is not verified whether Edward may have already sold the building, but it is presumed that he was still the owner.



Edward H. Talbot was accused by a neighbor in court without any proof of these claims.  
This newspaper article was published three days before Kittie (Rooney) Talbot's death.

Chicago Inter Ocean - 9/17/1899  
Kittie passed away on 9/21/1899

# WERE ON "BLACKLIST"

O'Day Case Witnesses Tell of  
Inability to Get Work.

## BARRED BY ALL ROADS

One Man Says He Saw His Name  
on List of Strikers.

After Few Days, They Say, They Were  
Discharged for Want of Cer-  
tain Recommendations.

Witnesses for the prosecution in the case of Joseph O'Day against the Chicago and Northwestern and the Wabash roads on trial before Judge Dunne yesterday confined their testimony to the question of "clearances." Judge Dunne announced that the case would be continued until Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock.

The first witness of the morning was Joseph P. Daly, who was a switchman on the Panhandle lines at the time of the strike of 1894. He testified that he applied to E. H. Talbot, yardmaster of the Chicago and Northwestern road, after the strike. Mr. Talbot, according to the testimony, asked where he had been employed previously. The witness said he had not been railroading for more than a year, but previous to that time had been employed by the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern road. In his application for work the witness referred to the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern. Talbot, said the witness, gave him a letter to the night yardmaster, and he reported for work at 6 o'clock the same night. Later the night yardmaster said that Mr. Talbot had sent word that he wished to see him (Daly), and that he (Daly) would have to get a note from Talbot before he could continue in the employment of the road.

The next morning, said the witness, he saw Mr. Talbot, who asked him when he quit the Panhandle road. The witness said he denied he had ever been employed by the Panhandle, but Talbot said he could not hire him until he had investigated the charges made against him that he (Daly) had been in the employ of the Panhandle company at the time of the strike.

Chicago Inter Ocean - 10/14/1899 (less than one month after Kittie's death)

There is reference to an E. H. Talbot who as yardmaster of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad in 1894. Edward was working for the same railroad specifically in 1889 and 1892. Edward left the railroad industry and started his own real estate company at some point earlier than April 1895. The article refers to the "strike of 1894". It's plausible that the strike and Edward's involvement with railroad issues regarding the strike are the reasons why he left the railroad industry.



Mathias Strauch testified that he was a switchman in the employ of the Michigan Central at the time of the strike. He went out with the rest. He applied to Yardmaster Bowman of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois for work. He worked for two weeks and then Bowman said he would have to put in a formal application. The witness said he made the application and referred to the Michigan Central, admitting he was a striker. Two days later, he said, Bowman discharged him on the ground that the application had not been approved by the Michigan Central. He next went to M. M. Ritchie, superintendent of the Calumet and Blue Island road. He asked if the road needed any switchmen, and the answer was in the affirmative. He was asked for a "clearance," he said, and went to Superintendent Snyder of the Michigan Central for that clearance. Snyder refused to give him a "clearance," but gave him a letter of recommendation. The letter said that the person named was an American Railway union striker. He took the letter to Ritchie, who read it and announced that the applicant could get no work on that road.

Michael J. Driscoll was also examined. He gave important testimony in the cause of the plaintiff.

The examination of Benjamin F. Heath took

The examination of Benjamin F. Heath took up the afternoon session, except the time devoted to the cross-examination of Driscoll. Heath said he was a flagman on the Chicago Great Western road at the time of the strike, and that he was the first man to refuse to work on a Pullman coach. He said that after the strike he applied to Mr. Kelly, the division superintendent of the Chicago Great Western road, for work, and that Kelly refused to hire him unless a "clearance" was produced. The witness said he went to the trainmaster of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois at Danville, but could not get a job because of his lack of a "clearance."

Then the witness went to the trainmaster of the Sante Fe road at Wichita, Kan. The trainmaster said he would not hire the applicant because he had no "clearance." The witness said that the trainmaster, Mr. Black, talked with him some time and at last pulled down a map which contained the names of many of the men who had taken part in the railway strike. He said he saw his name in the list.

The cross-examination was energetic. Attorney Osborne asked the witness if he had not testified in the Ketcham trial that he saw Superintendent Black at Topeka, Kan. The witness said he had seen Mr. Black at both places.

From the trend of things at the afternoon session the defense will endeavor to prove, as to this witness, that he stated he saw Superintendent Black at Topeka in the Ketcham trial and in the present trial he says he saw Mr. Black at Wichita. Mr. Heath told of the watermark of the "headless crane" on the paper used for "clearances" issued by the roads after the strike. Attorney Osborne created quite a sensation by offering the witness a reward of \$100 if he would produce such a creature.

## Edward H. Talbot Family Residential and Business Chronology

<i>Year</i>	<i>Occupation</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Residence (old system)</i>	<i>Address (present-day, if changed)</i>
1874-75	Yardmaster			32 Wentworth	1700 Wentworth
1875-76	Clerk	L.S. & M.S. Ry		32 Wentworth	1700 Wentworth
1876	Clerk			900 Wentworth	1700 Wentworth
1879	Bookkeeper	L.S. & M.S. RR		900 Wentworth	1700 Wentworth
1880	Clerk	M.S.R.R.		1700 Wentworth	
7/1880				52 Pearce	building doesn't exist
10/1880				45 24th St	building doesn't exist
1885 [1], [2]	Coal/Real Estate			3215 Hanover	3215 S. Canal
1885 [3]				584 Division	43 E. Division
1887 [12]	Clerk		Jefferson & Meagher		
1888 [4]	Clerk			188 W. 18th	724 W. 18th
1888 [5]				4132 Wabash	
1889	Clerk	C & N.W. Ry		4132 Wabash	
1890	Agent			4132 Wabash	
1891	Engineer			4132 Wabash	
1892	Solicitor	C & N.W. Ry		4132 Wabash	
1893 [6]	Agent			878 Walnut	About 3260 Walnut
1894 [7]	Clerk		California & Kinzie	1397 Fulton	3003 Fulton
1895 [8]	Real Estate	Talbot & Martin	84 LaSalle #507 (old system)	362 N. Normal Parkway	Not verified - see map below
1895	Real Estate	Talbot & Knapp	84 and 86 LaSalle (old system)		
1896 [9]	RE / Promotor	E. H. Talbot & Co	84 and 86 LaSalle (old system)		
1896 [10]	Manager		237 5th Av #614 (old system)	557 Division	12 E. Division
1897	Manager		237 5th Av #614 (old)	6550 Woodlawn	
1898-99 [11]	Promotor		237 5th Av #614 (old)	6550 Woodlawn	

Chronology of Edward H. Talbot's residential and business addresses through Kittie's death in 1899

- [1] Directory for 1885 (unknown when during the year it was compiled)
- [2] Frank's Birth Certificate (March 1885)
- [3] Kittie used the Rooney address on Division on the probate papers when Julia died in December 1885
- [4] Edgar's Birth Certificate (February 1888)
- [5] Directory Listing for 1888
- [6] Presumed
- [7] Presumed. That location the C & N.W. Railroad, where Edward was working during that time period. See below for more details.
- [8] Edward started a real estate business that began as Talbot & Martin and ended as Talbot & Knapp. Newspaper ads show an address of 84 and 86 LaSalle, presumably because the building had multiple addresses. The directory listing has a specific suite number in that building.
- [9] Edward started a separate company in the same building as the previous real estate company. Unknown whether the same suite.
- [10] Edward was both the manager of the Medinah Temple and his own company (E. H. Talbot & Co), which he appeared to be using as the property management company for the building. He also co-owned a bicycle manufacturing company when he first got involved with the Medinah Temple. During this same period, Edward was a co-founder of an international bank.
- [11] Kittie died in 1899. The directory listings are the same for 1898 and 1899.
- [12] The 1914 Sanborn map shows the C & N.W. Railroad Freight Depot at that location. It's presumed that was the same ownership in 1887 because Edward was working for that railroad in 1889 and 1892.



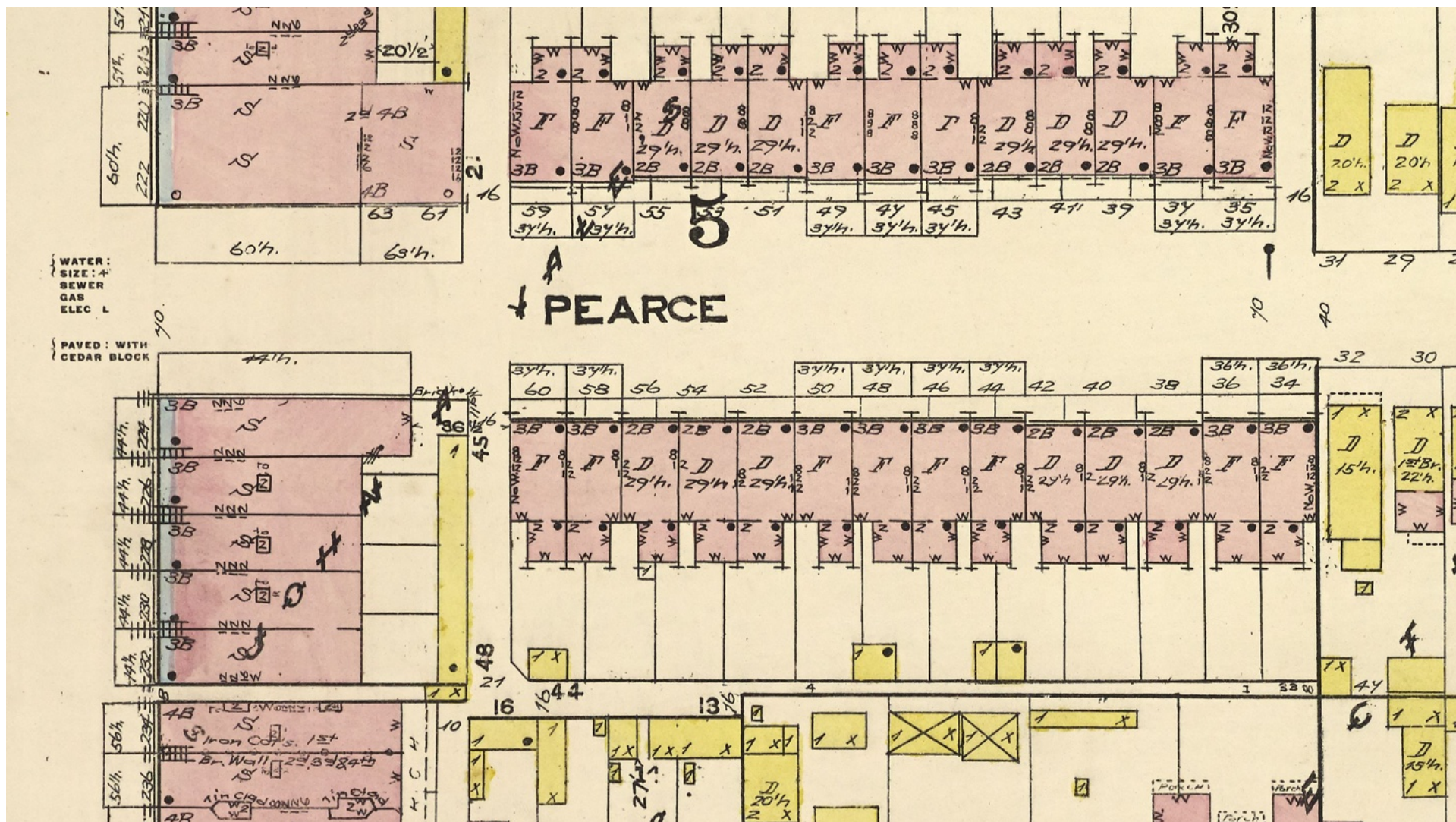
**52 Pearce St**  
*West Loop Neighborhood (Chicago, IL)*

Edward and Kittie Talbot were married on June 23, 1880. They took out a chattel loan about two weeks later with their furniture pledged as collateral located in the apartment at 52 Pearce St. Since both Edward and Kittie lived with their parents up until this time, the loan was most likely to help with initial expenses.

The very detailed description of their household furniture, combined with insurance maps of their building and block, help visualize their life immediately after marriage.

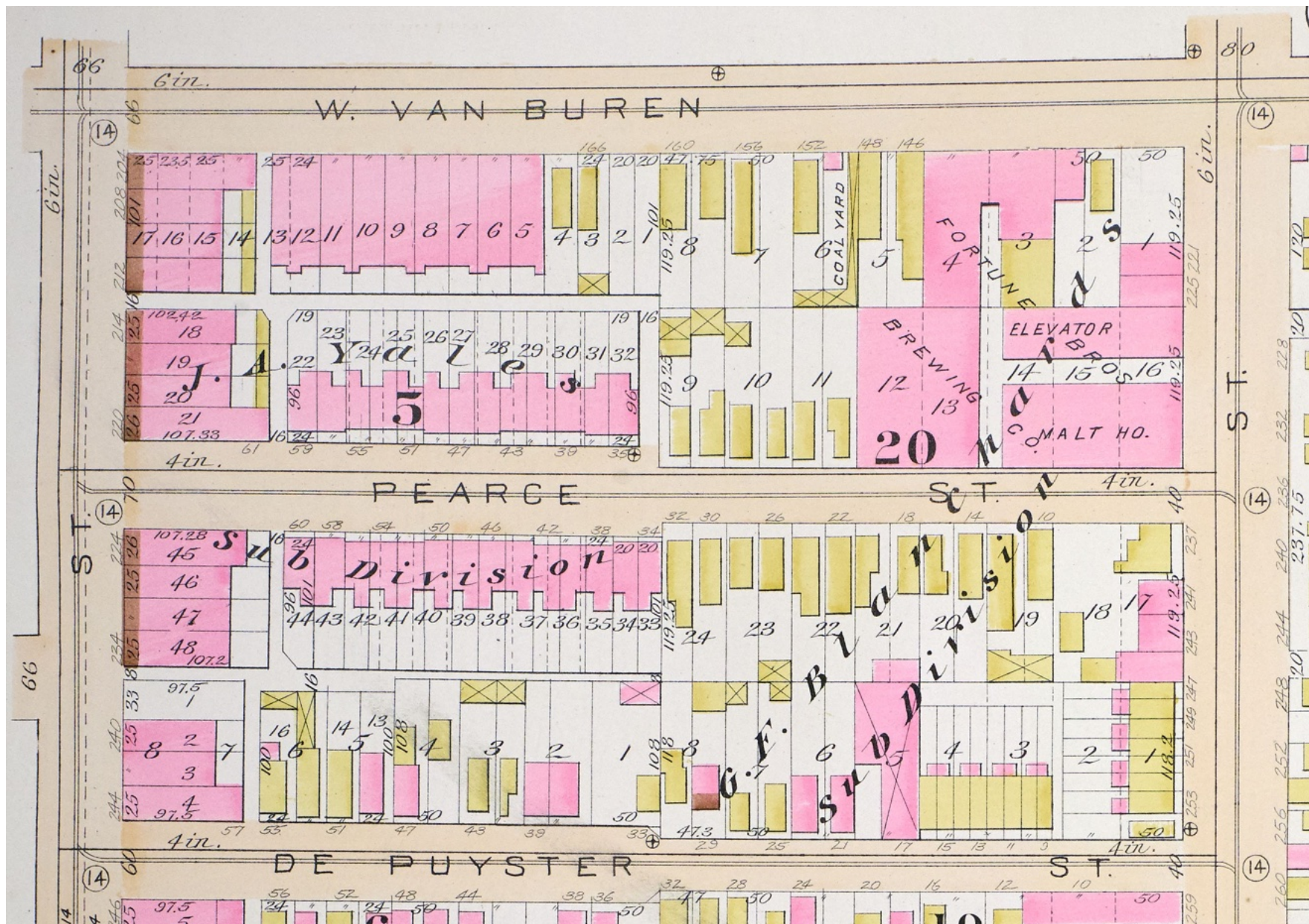
The Talbot and Rooney families had both previously been parishioners of St. Patrick's church about three blocks away on Desplaines and Adams. Since Edward and Kittie were married at Holy Name Cathedral, it is reasonable to conclude that they decided to rejoin their family's earlier church and looked for an apartment near that location.

The building was near the present-day intersection of Halsted and Van Buren.



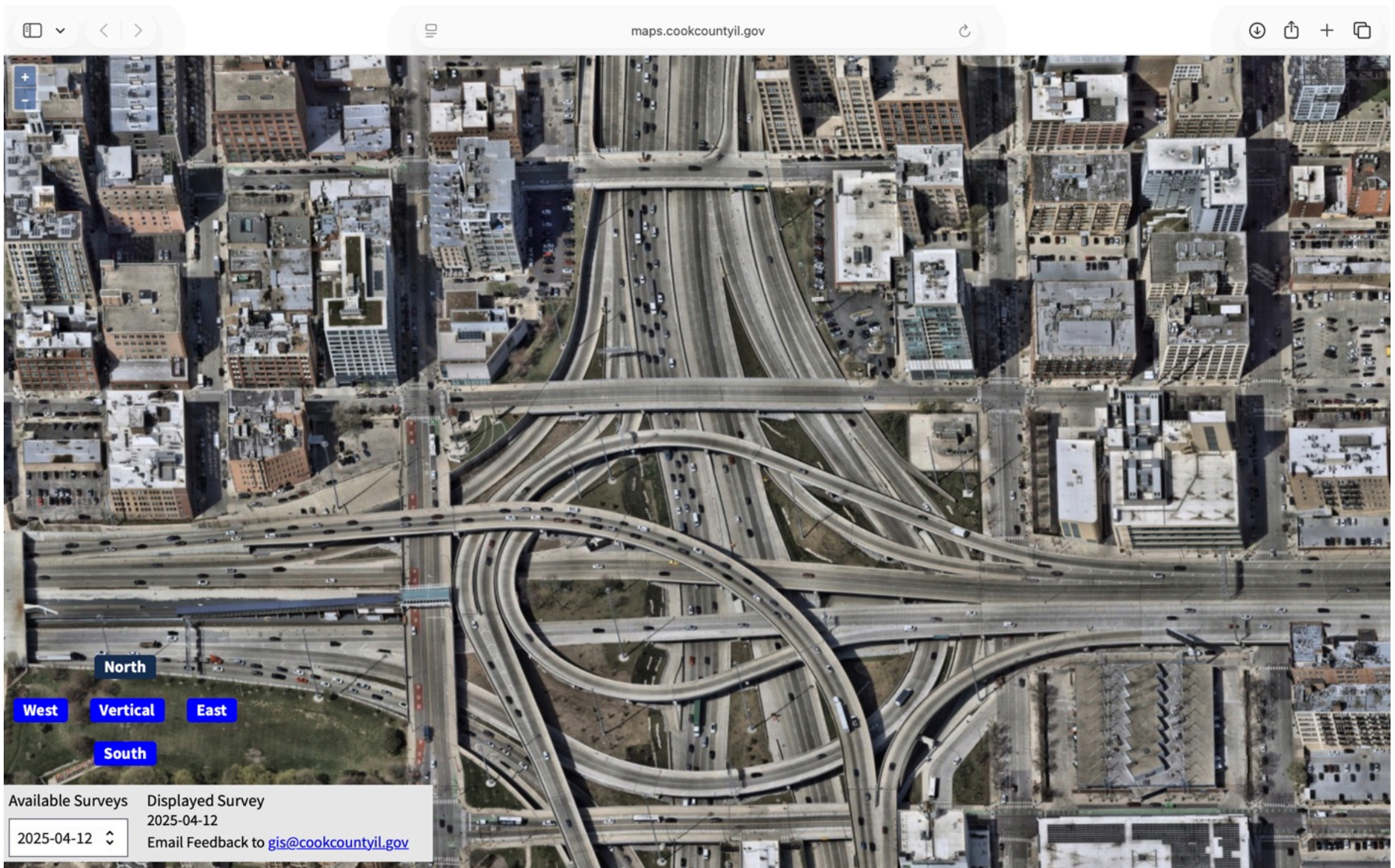
1891 Rascher Insurance Map  
Halsted is the north-south street along the left side of the image. Van Buren is the west-east street above Pearce





1886 Robinson Insurance Map (less detail)  
Desplaines is the right-most north-south street





The entire block was replaced by the expressway system (the square outline of loops in bottom center of image)  
The left-most north-south street is Halsted and right-most is Desplaines (of the center square)  
The top west-east street is Van Buren (of the square)

**This Indenture**, Made and entered into this Sixth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Eighty BETWEEN Edward Talbot and Kittie Talbot his wife of the City of Chicago of the County of Cook and State of Illinois, party of the first part, and H. H. King party of the second part.

Witnesseth, That the said part of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Fifty Six DOLLARS, in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby grant, sell, convey and confirm unto the said part of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever, all and singular, the following described GOODS AND CHATTELS, to-wit:

1 Parlor set seven pieces by Wm. & Co. upholstered in light flowered covers with dark red puffs consisting of 1 sofa 1 easy chair 1 ladies easy rocker and 4 parlor chairs 33 yards Brussels carpet 6 maple cane seat chairs 1 ash bedstead high head board veneered panels 1 ash marble top dressing case glass 1 ash marble top commode 1 wire bed spring 1 large oil lamp 1 cotton top mattress 1 black walnut 6 foot extension table 24 yards carpet lining all sheets and contained in the second floor of the house at 52 Pearce St. Chicago Cook County Illinois

Together with all and singular the appurtenances thereto belonging, or in any wise appertaining: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described Goods and Chattels unto the said part of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever. And the said party of the first part, his heirs, executors and administrators, doth covenant and with the said party of the second part, his heirs, executors and administrators, that said first party

at that time of making and delivery thereof, was lawfully possessed of said Goods and Chattels as of his own property, free and clear of all incumbrances. The title of which they engage to WARRANT AND DEFEND unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever. PROVIDED ALWAYS, And these presents are upon this express condition, that if the said Edward Talbot and Kittie Talbot his wife heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, shall, on or before the first day of October A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty pay, or cause to be paid, to the said H. H. King his lawful attorney or attorneys, heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, the sum of Fifty six Dollars, together with the interest that may accrue thereon, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, from the sixth day of July A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty until paid, according to the tenor of their three promissory notes bearing even date herewith for the united sum of fifty six dollars made payable to the order of the said H. H. King and due and payable respectively on one 10th and 13th months after the date thereof

That then and from thenceforth these presents, and everything herein contained, shall cease and be null and void, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding. PROVIDED, ALSO, That the said Edward Talbot and Kittie Talbot his wife may retain the possession of and have the use of said Goods and Chattels until the said second party, or his executors, administrators or assigns pay to said Edward Talbot and Kittie Talbot his wife the sum of the money by virtue hereof. The care and custody of said Goods and Chattels to be at the expense of said Edward Talbot and Kittie Talbot his wife And said first party covenants and agrees to deliver the said Goods and Chattels to said second party, his executors, administrators or assigns, in good condition, at the maturity of the indebtedness hereby secured, in case the same is not fully paid.

It is also further agreed, that if either one of the herein described notes is not paid when due, then the whole of said described notes shall become due and payable, as if the full length of time of this mortgage had expired, and subject to all the covenants herein described.

AND PROVIDED, ALSO, That if they in payment of any part of the indebtedness aforesaid, by the said part of the first part, shall be made, or if the said part of the second part shall at any time before said Edward Talbot and Kittie Talbot his wife become due, they or their heirs, executors, administrators, shall have the right to take possession of said Goods and Chattels, wherever they may or can be found, and sell the same at public or private sale to the highest bidder cash in hand, after giving three days' notice of the time and place of said sale, together with a description of the Goods and Chattels to be sold, by at least three advertisements posted up in public places in the vicinity where said sale is to take place, and proceed to make the sum of money and interest, premium as aforesaid, together with all reasonable costs, charges and expenses in so doing; and if there should be any surplus, shall pay the same without delay to the said part of the first part, or their legal representatives.

It is also agreed that in case of a sale of the Goods and Chattels had by said second party, by virtue hereof, the same may all be sold at once and in one lot, and said second party may bid therefor, the amount remaining unpaid of the debt aforesaid, and if no higher bid is offered, said Goods and Chattels shall thereby become absolutely the property of said second party, in consideration of the payment thereby of the indebtedness secured hereby.

It is hereby further agreed, that if the notes described are not fully paid when due, then this mortgage shall remain in full force and effect for thirty days after said note becomes due.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, The said part of the first part has hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals and the day and year first above written.

RESERVED, SIGNED AND DELIVERED IN PRESENCE OF

Edward Talbot  
Kittie Talbot

H. H. King  
H. H. King

STATE OF ILLINOIS, County of Cook, Town of West Chicago do hereby certify that this Mortgage was duly acknowledged before me, by the party of the first part, Edward Talbot and Kittie Talbot therein named, to-wit: Edward Talbot and Kittie Talbot day of July A. D. 1880 And I have this day recorded the same. Witness my hand, officially, this thirtieth day of July A. D. 1880 Justice of the Peace.

I, James H. Brockway of the City of Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, in consideration of one dollar, to me paid by Edward Talbot and Kittie Talbot and in consideration of the loan secured hereby, on the personal property herein described as the actual possession of the said personal property therefor, do hereby guarantee unto said Edward Talbot and Kittie Talbot property, whenever he shall be entitled thereto by terms of this Chattel Mortgage. WITNESS my hand and seal, the day of the date of said Chattel Mortgage.

No. 279341 Filed for Record this 7 day of July A. D. 1880 at 11 o'clock A. M. James H. Brockway Recorder.

Edward and Kittie Talbot used their household furniture for a \$56 chattel loan on 7/6/1880.

The promissory notes were due in one, two, and three months.

They were living on the second floor of a two story building (with a basement) with stone front located at 52 Pearce St in Chicago.

Their furniture, pledged as collateral, was (with some spelling errors):

- 1 parlor sett seven pieces [?] frames and upholstered with light flowered covers with dark red puffsings consisting of 1 sofa, 1 easy chair 1 ladies easy rocker and 4 parlor chairs
- 33 yards Brussels carpet
- 6 maple and cane seat chairs
- 1 ash bedstead high head board and veneered pannels
- 1 ash marble top dressing case and glass
- 1 ash marble top commode
- 1 wire bedspring
- 1 large oil lamp
- 1 cotton top mattress
- 1 black walnut 6 foot extension table
- 24 yards carpet lining

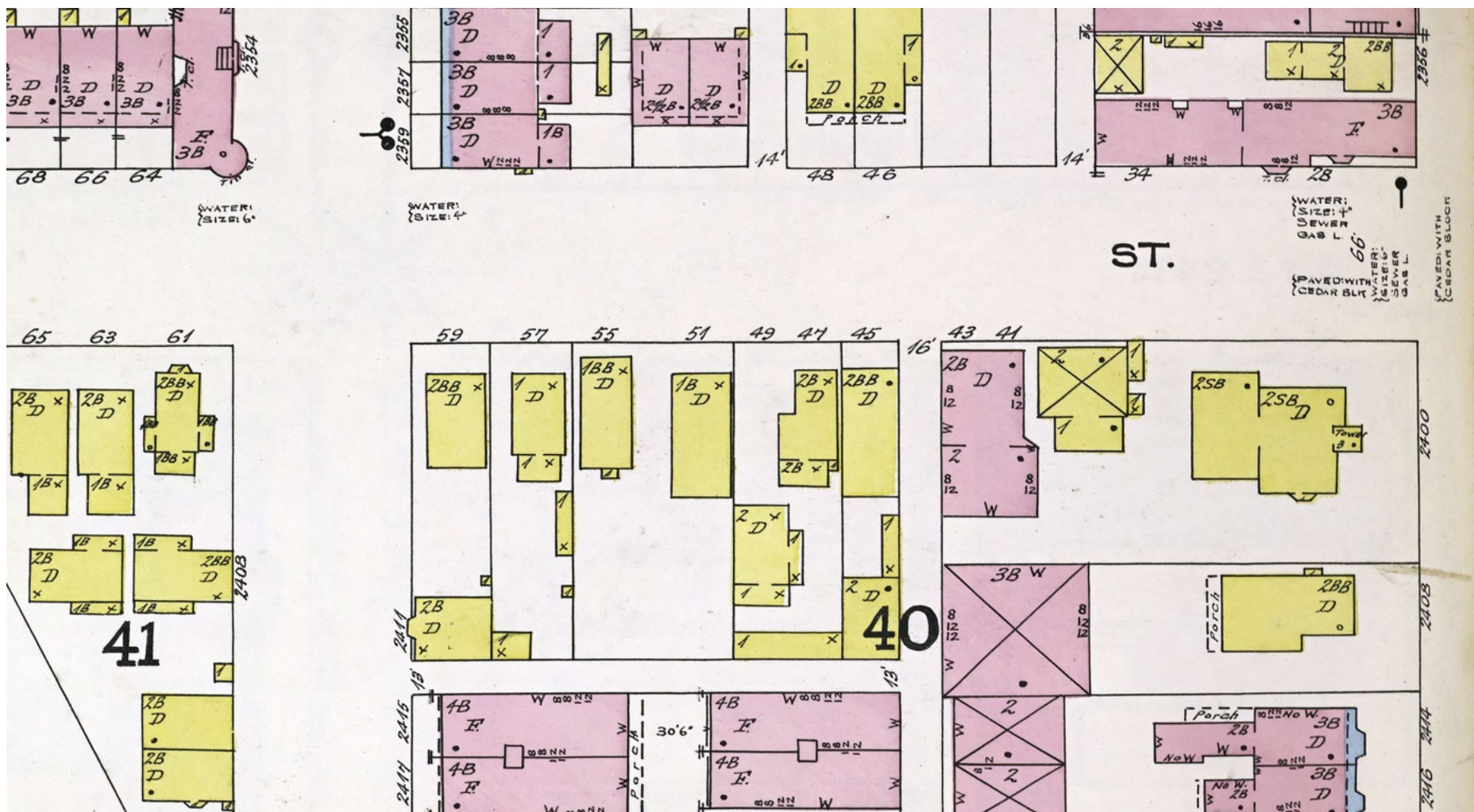
**45 24th Street**  
*South Loop Neighborhood (Chicago, IL)*

Three months after receiving the chattel loan for their furniture at 52 Pearce, Edward and Kittie Talbot did a second, nearly identical loan, while living at 45 24th Street in Chicago.

They lived six blocks away from 18th and Prairie, which was known as “Millionaire’s Row” with residents who included Marshall Field. Edward’s parents still lived at 17th and Wentworth at the time. He would have known this area very well from living nearby for most of his life in Chicago.

The building was near the present-day site of the main entrance to McCormick Place.





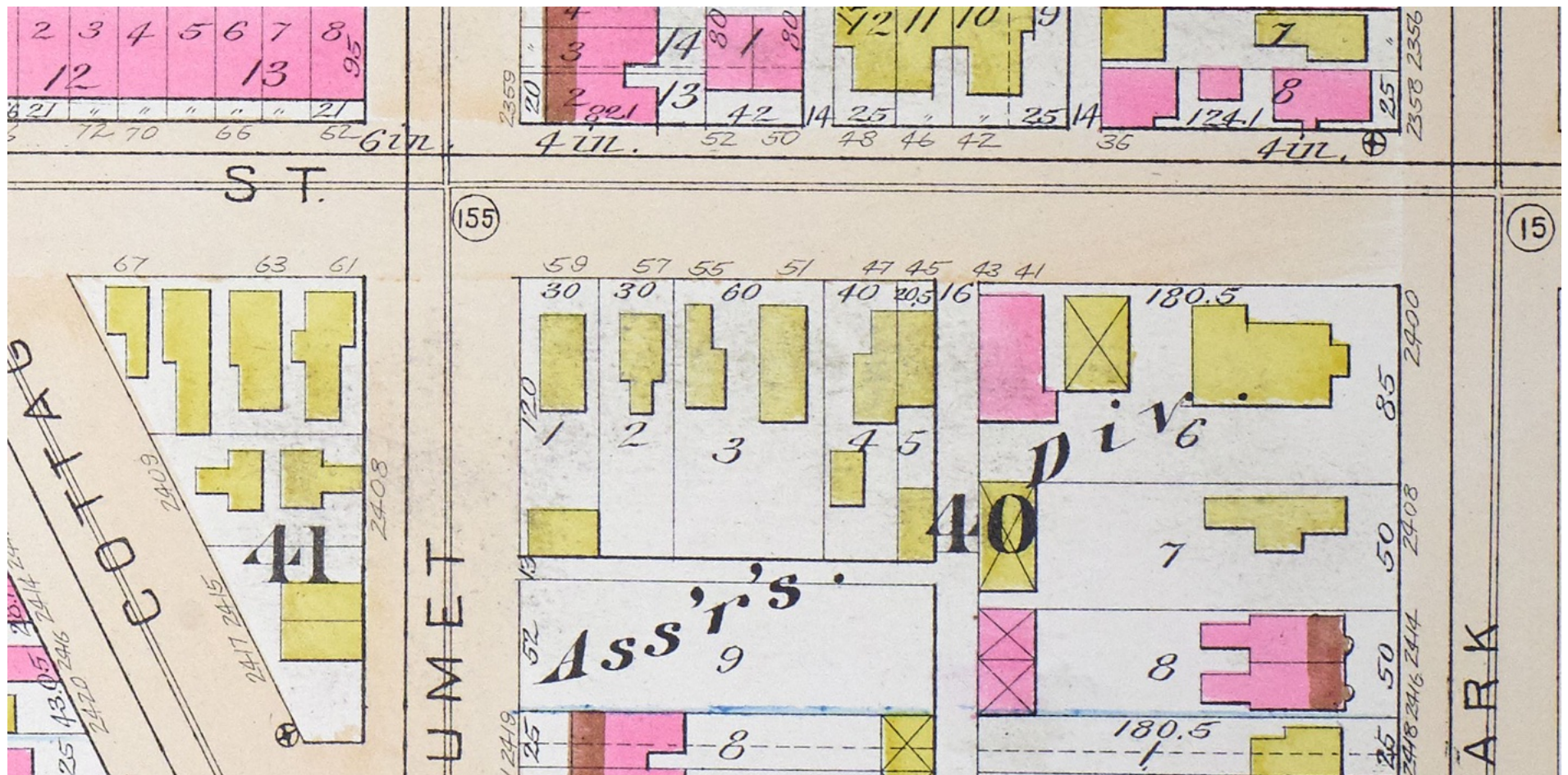
1891 Rascher Insurance Map  
 24th Street is the center west-east street  
 (see zoom below)



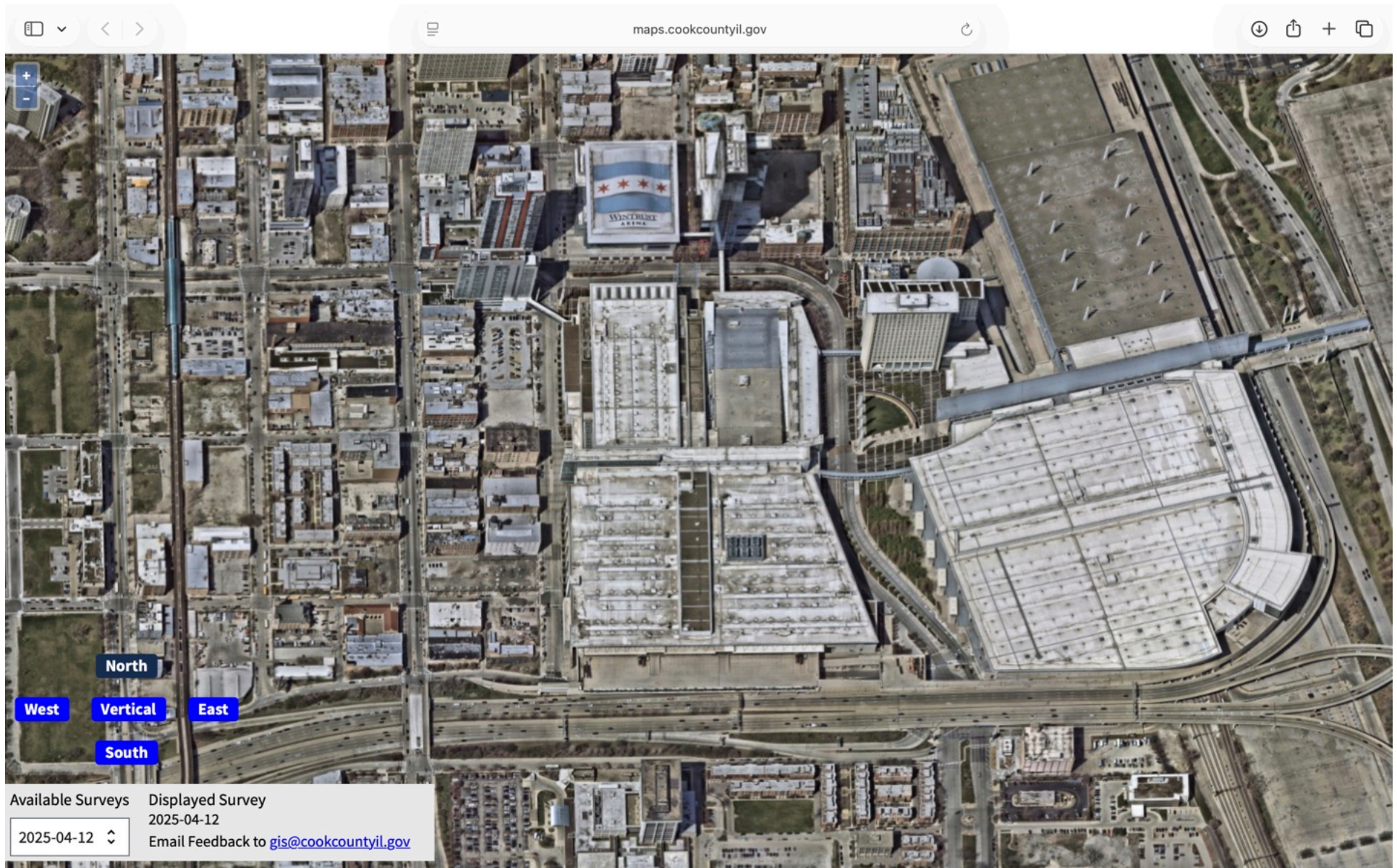


1891 Rascher Insurance Map (larger zoom view)  
 The left-most north-south street is Prairie, middle is Calumet, and right-most is South Park









The building would be approximately just inside/outside the front of McCormick Place (white convention center on right with curved street to the left)  
24th Street is the west-east street at the left side of the image just about the “North” label along top the park  
Calumet is the north-south street just right of the “.gov” at the top



Know All Men by these Presents, That Edward Talbot and Kittie A. Talbot his wife  
 of the Town of Chicago in the County of Cook and State of Illinois in consideration  
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 to them paid by H. H. King  
 of the County of Cook and State of Illinois the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged,  
 do hereby GRANT, SELL, CONVEY and CONFIRM unto the said H. H. King

and assigns, the following GOODS and CHATTELS, to wit:  
33 yards brussels carpet 1 parlor sett 7 pieces upholstered in light  
flowered cloth + dark red puffings, 6 cane seat chairs 1 ash bedstead  
high head board + veneered pannels, 1 ash marble top dressing case  
+ glass 1 ash marble top commode 1 wire bedspring 1 large oil lamp  
1 cotton top mattress, 2 feather pillows 1 sett pillow sheetshams 1 coun  
terpane and all other bedding 1 B.W. 6 foot extension table 24 yards  
carpet lining all situate and contained in the second story of two  
story + basement dwelling No. 45, twenty fourth Street in said city  
of Chicago, Cook county, Illinois.

To Have and to Hold, all and singular, the said Goods and Chattels, unto the said Mortgagee herein, and his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, to them and their sale use, FOREVER. And the Mortgagee herein, for themselves and for their heirs, executors and administrators, do hereby covenant to and with the said Mortgagee, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, that said Mortgagee, are lawfully possessed of the said Goods and Chattels, as of their own property, that the same are free from all encumbrances, and that they will, and their executors and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the said Mortgagee, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, against the lawful claims and demands of all persons.

Provided, Nevertheless, that if the said Mortgagee, his heirs, executors or administrators, shall well and truly pay unto the said Mortgagee, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, fifty six dollars according to the tenor of their three  
certain promissory notes bearing even date herewith made payable to  
the order of the said H. H. King and due and payable in one  
two and three months after the date thereof

then this Mortgage is to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

And Provided, also, that it shall be lawful for the said Mortgagee, his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, to retain possession of the said GOODS AND CHATTELS, and at their own expense to keep and use the same, until they or their executors, administrators or assigns, shall make default in the payment of the said sum of money above specified, either in principal or interest, at the time or times paid in the manner hereinbefore stated. And the said Mortgagee hereby covenants and agrees that, in case default shall be made in the payment of the said sum of money, or any part thereof, or the interest thereon, on the day or days respectively on which the same shall become due and payable; or if the Mortgagee, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, shall fail to secure or unsafe, or shall fear diminution, removal or waste of said property; or if the Mortgagee shall sell or assign, or attempt to sell or assign, the said Goods and Chattels, or any interest therein; or if any writ, or any distress warrant, shall be levied on said Goods and Chattels, or any part thereof, then, and in any or either of the said cases, all of said sum of money, both principal and interest, shall, at the option of the said Mortgagee, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, without notice of said option to any one, become at once due and payable; and the said Mortgagee, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, or any of them, shall thereupon have the right to take immediate possession of said property, and for that purpose may pursue the same wherever it may be found, and may enter any of the premises of the Mortgagee, with or without force or process of law, wherever the said Goods and Chattels may be, or he supposed to be, and search for the same; and, if found, to take possession of, and remove, and sell and dispose of the said property, or any part thereof, at public auction, to the highest bidder, after giving three days' notice of the time, place and terms of sale, together with a description of the property to be sold, by notices posted up in three public places in the vicinity of such sale; or at private sale, with or without notice, for cash or on credit, as the said Mortgagee, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, or any of them may elect; and, out of the money arising from such sale, to retain all costs and charges for pursuing, searching for, taking, removing, keeping, storing, advertising and selling such Goods and Chattels, and all prior liens thereon, together with the amount due and unpaid upon said note, rendering the surplus, if any remain, unto said Mortgagee, or their legal representatives.

WITNESS the hand and seal of the said Mortgagee, this sixth day of October in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty.

Sealed and Delivered in the presence of—

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.

COUNTY OF COOK.

I, D. Harry Hamner, a Justice of the Peace in the Town of Smith Chicago, do hereby CERTIFY that this Mortgage was duly acknowledged before me by the above named

Edward Talbot and Kittie A. Talbot on the 6th day of October A. D. 1880.

the Mortgagee therein named, and entered by me this

day of October A. D. 1880.

WITNESS my hand and seal.

No. 291928 Filed for Record this 8 day of October A. D. 1880.

At 10 o'clock A. M.

D. Harry Hamner Justice of the Peace.

Jos. W. Brockway Recorder.

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 1 large oil lamp  
 1 cotton top mattress  
 2 feather pillows  
 1 sett pillos and sheetshams  
 1 counterpane and all other bedding  
 1 B.W. 6 foot extension table  
 24 yards carpet lining

Note: This is the same list of furniture from July 1880, but with less detail. The July 1880 loan had three promissory notes that would have been August, September, and October. This loan, for practical purposes, was a continuation.

**1397 Fulton**  
*East Garfield Park Neighborhood (Chicago, IL)*



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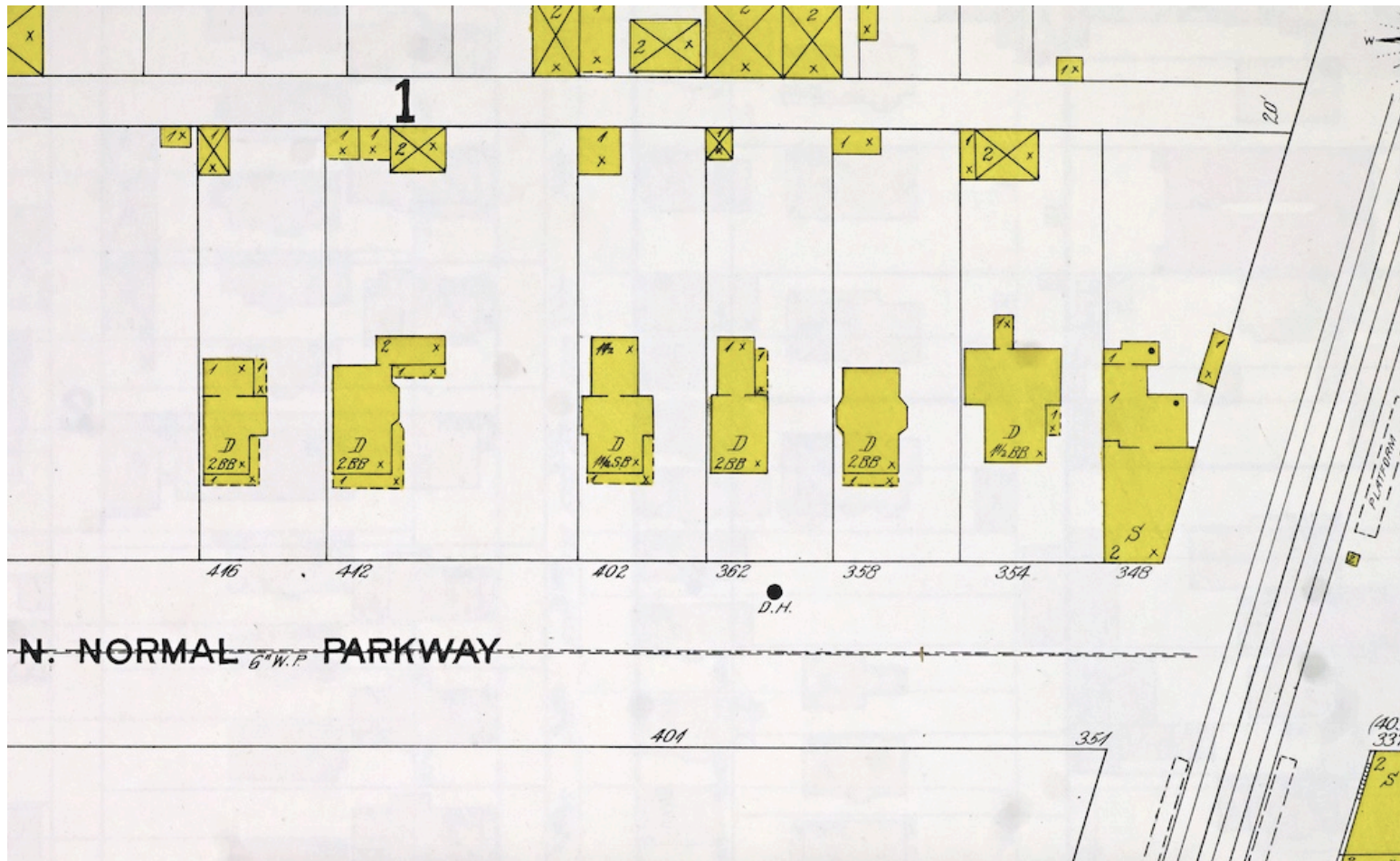
3003 W. Fulton  
Online Cook County Assessor Photo



**362 N. Normal Parkway**  
*Englewood Neighborhood (Chicago, IL)*

362 N. Normal Parkway in the Englewood neighborhood doesn't exist present-day. It's also difficult to determine how the address would have changed over time.

The house was near 68th and Normal (present-day)



The 1895 Sanborn Map shows the location of 362 is the fourth house from the railroad tracks

### 557 Division

*Gold Coast Neighborhood (Chicago, IL)*

In 1896, Edward and Kittie Talbot returned to Division Street and briefly lived across the street from the Rooney family residence (584 Division at the time). Kittie's sister Mary (Rooney) Riley had purchased the home during their mother's probate case. Kittie's sister Hannah (Rooney) Brophy lived across the street for many years after her own marriage in 1876. At this time in 1896, there were three Rooney sisters living on the same block in the Gold Coast neighborhood on Division near Astor.

— Edward H. insp. bus. 638 S. Washington av.  
— Edward H. mngr. 614, 237, 5th av. h.  
557 Division  
— Edward J. police. h. 624 22d

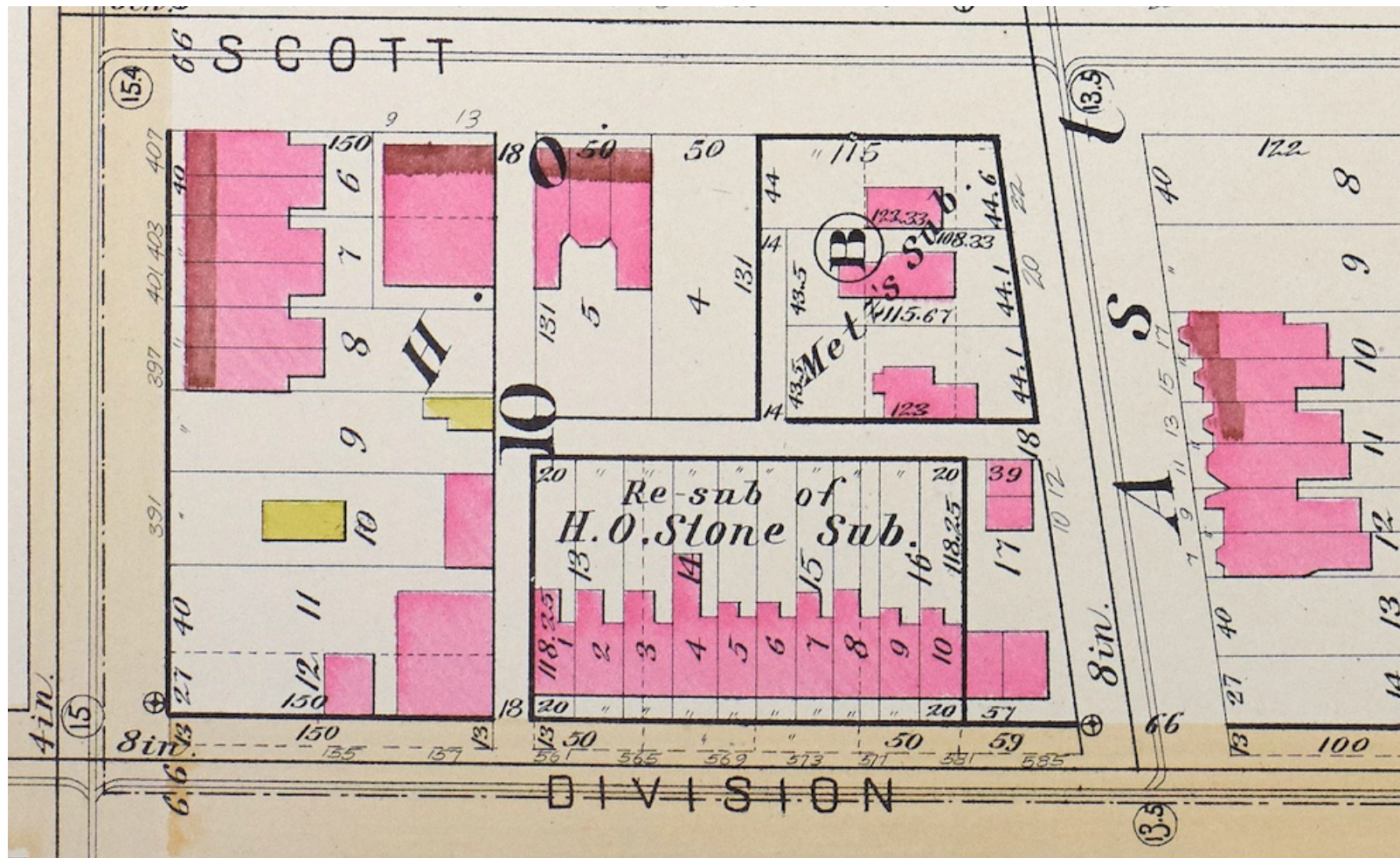
— George, teamster, bus. 148 N. Clark  
— Hannah B. wid. William, h. 555 Division  
— Henry, engineer, h. 656 N. Ashland av.

— Patrick S. contr. 341 Grand av.  
— Patrick M. bkpr. 17, 144 Vanburen, h. 584  
Division  
— Patrick S. bartndr. h. 388 State

1896 Chicago City Directories for:

Edward H. Talbot - 557 Division  
Hannah B. Brophy - 555 Division  
Patrick M. Riley - 584 Division





1886 Robinson Map of Chicago  
It appears that 557 Division is the corner building the left of the alley (on the corner)

557 Division (present-day 12 E. Division)  
Gold Coast neighborhood of Chicago, IL





1910 Sanborn Map of Chicago

According to a more detailed description of the properties, the corner building (perhaps the original torn down) is split into two different addresses. In 1910, these are described as three story frame buildings (?)

### **Additional Information**

Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney are Michael E. Byczek's 2x-great-grandparents. Their only daughter Marie T. Talbot (great-grandmother) married Martin J. Flanagan at Holy Name Cathedral in 1922, the same church where her parents were married in 1880. Their eldest child, a daughter, Marie C. Flanagan (grandmother) married Michael S. Byczek at St. Bridget's in the Bridgeport neighborhood in 1950. Their eldest child, a son, Michael M. Byczek (father) married Betty A. Bykowski in 1974 at St. Helen's on Augusta and Oakley in Chicago. They have two children, Michael E. Byczek (the eldest) and Katherine S. Byczek, both born in the Bridgeport neighborhood.

Michael E. Byczek has been compiling actual records for the Talbot and Rooney families for over 30 years. He has gathered an extensive collection of documents. This compiled documentary is an accurate source of genealogy for Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney.

Feel free to send a message for more information or genealogy collaboration.

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## **The Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney Family Documentary**

### *Part II: Edward H. Talbot Business Ventures (1885-1908)*

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Edward H. Talbot spent most of his early career in the railroad industry and was considered a “well-known” figure in the profession at the time of his marriage to Kittie Rooney in 1880 at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, IL. He held various railroad jobs that included yardmaster, clerk, bookkeeper, solicitor, and engineer.

Not much is known about Edward’s employment or business ventures during the early years of his marriage to Kittie. He briefly left the railroad industry in the early 1880s to pursue opportunities in coal and real estate while living in the Bridgeport neighborhood.

Edward returned to the railroad profession by the late 1880s until the Pullman Strike of 1894 when he embarked on a series of entrepreneurial business ventures. He was most well-known as a Promoter, especially for real estate initiatives.

The highlight of Edward H. Talbot’s real estate business was property management of the original Medinah Temple located on the corner of Jackson and Wells in Downtown Chicago. Edward even partnered with other businessmen and promoters in an attempt to acquire ownership of the entire building.

Throughout his entrepreneurial career, Edward H. Talbot launched multiple real estate, financial, and marketing companies. These included his own real estate firm, an international bank, amusement park, and a bicycle manufacturing business in Chicago.

All business pursuits during Edward’s marriage to Kittie Rooney are fully verified, such as cross-reference between business and residential addresses.

Each business venture during his second marriage to Delia Talbot required in-depth analysis of records to determine the correct identity of the owner. There were other individuals in Chicago named Edward Talbot, Edward H. Talbot, and E. H. Talbot who were also involved with the railroad and real estate industries at the same time. While there is virtually no doubt as to Edward’s identity prior to 1899, there are some uncertainties and unknown details about his companies between 1900-1908.

Michael E. Byczek has determined, on balance of probabilities, that all business ventures discussed in this documentary are accurate and serve as a tribute to his 2x-great-grandfather Edward H. Talbot.



### Chronology of Entrepreneurial Business Ventures from 1884-1908

Business Venture	Type of Business	Years	Location
Business Name Unknown	Coal & Real Estate	1884-1885	540 31st (Chicago, IL)
Talbot & Martin	Real Estate	4/14/1895 - 7/7/1895	#507 84-86 La Salle [Oxford Building] (Chicago, IL)
Talbot & Knapp	Real Estate	7/21/1895 - 9/15/1895	84-86 La Salle (Chicago, IL)
E. H. Talbot & Co.	General Agents	2/9/1896 - 2/23/1896	84-86 La Salle (Chicago, IL)
	Property Manager of the Medinah Temple	3/4/1897 - 3/19/1898	#614, 237 5th Ave [Medinah Temple] (Chicago, IL)
Medinah Cycling Co and Riding Academy <i>in combination with</i> Vanderkloot & Talbot	Marinus A. Vanderkloot and Edward H. Talbot (Proprietors)	1897	179-181 Jackson [Medinah Temple] - Chicago, IL
International Hypothecate Bank	Mortgage Banking Business	12/11/1896 - 9/19/1898	Headquarters in Medinah Temple (Chicago, IL) with offices planned for across US and Europe.
Promoter	Edward H. Talbot was manager of E. H. Talbot & Co, described as "Promoters" from 1896-1897.  From 1898-1900, Edward H. Talbot was a "Promoter" without details.	1896-1900	#614, 237 5th Ave (Chicago, IL): 1896-1899 #906, 237 5th Ave (Chicago, IL): 1900
Chicago Car Ferry and Lighterage Company	River to Railroad Freight Company	5/11/1904 - 1/26/1905	Chicago River at Ontario (Chicago, IL)
Chicago Heights Improvement Company	Manager of the Sales Dept.	10/4/1906 - 4/18/1907	91 Seventeenth St, Chicago Heights, IL
Paradise Park Amusement Company	"White City" Amusement Park	8/8/1907 - 8/24/1907	Chicago Heights, IL
Talbot Amusement Company	"Coney Island" Project in NW Indiana	1/8/1908	Chicago Heights, IL

## **Coal and Real Estate**

Edward Talbot purchased real estate at 540 31st (31st and Canal) in Bridgeport in 1884. He sold the property at a profit to his brother-in-law John Rooney (Kittie's brother) the following year. It appears that the Rooney family may have kept the property until after John's death in 1923 (about 38 years).

### *Nature of Business*

The property at 540 31st was described as a coal office with a wood pile behind the building, according to insurance maps.

Edward Talbot purchased the property from the individual who sub-divided the land. It's probable that Edward bought vacant land and built a coal business. The 1886 insurance map shows a building. It's unknown when or who built this building.

The 1885 Chicago Directory lists Edward as "coal". He was listed as "real estate" on his son Frank's birth certificate (born 3/29/1885). The two terms could describe the same venture.

### *Chronology*

5/7/1884 - Purchased real estate at 540 31st (\$1,600)

3/29/1885 - Listed as "real estate" on son Frank's birth certificate

4/28/1885 - Sold 540 31st to John Rooney (\$1,900 plus John Rooney's assumption of unpaid balance of a loan against the property).

1885 Chicago Directory - Listed as "Coal".

### *Start and End Date*

Edward Talbot and Kittie Rooney were married in June 1880. The 1880 Chicago Directory is the final year that lists Edward working for the railroad (M.S.R.R.).

Nothing is known about Edward until he purchased the property at 540 31st in 1884.

The last reference to Edward Talbot at 3215 Canal is 2/14/1886 when Edward obtained a chattel mortgage for furniture located at that address.

Nothing is known about Edward's employment after 2/14/1886 until the 1887 Chicago Directory when Edward was working at a railroad office on Jefferson and Meagher without a residential address.

The first residential address after 3215 Canal is when their son Edgar Talbot died in 1888. They were living on 18th and Halsted.

Edward and Kittie Talbot briefly lived in the Rooney family residence at 43 E. Division in 1885-1886, which implies they had already left 3215 Canal.

Once Edward and Kittie moved to the newly purchased multi-generational Talbot family residence at 4132 Wabash (Grand Boulevard neighborhood), he was regularly listed in the Chicago Directories working at the C & NW Railroad until 1894 when he permanently left the railroad industry.





**This Indenture,** Made this Seventh day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty four **BETWEEN** David Davis and Adeline B. Davis his wife  
of the city of Bloomington in the County of McLean and State of Illinois party of the first part, and  
Edward H. Talbot  
of the city of Chicago in the County of Cook and State of Illinois party of the second part:  
**Witnesseth,** That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Sixteen Hundred DOLLARS,  
in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the said party of the second part forever released and discharged therefrom, have granted, bargained, sold, remised, released, conveyed, aliened and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, convey, alien and confirm unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns FOREVER, all the following described lot, piece or parcel of land, situated in the city of Chicago  
County of Cook, and State of Illinois, and known and described as follows, to wit:

Lot Twenty Two (22) in Block Number Five (5) in David Davis' South Addition, being a subdivision of the Southeast quarter (S.E. 1/4) of the South West quarter (SW 1/4) of Section Twenty Eight (28), Town Thirty Nine (39), North Range Fourteen (14) East of the Third (3rd) Principal Meridian, except the East Eighty three (83) feet thereof.

Zoom of the 1884 Purchase naming Edward H. Talbot as the buyer

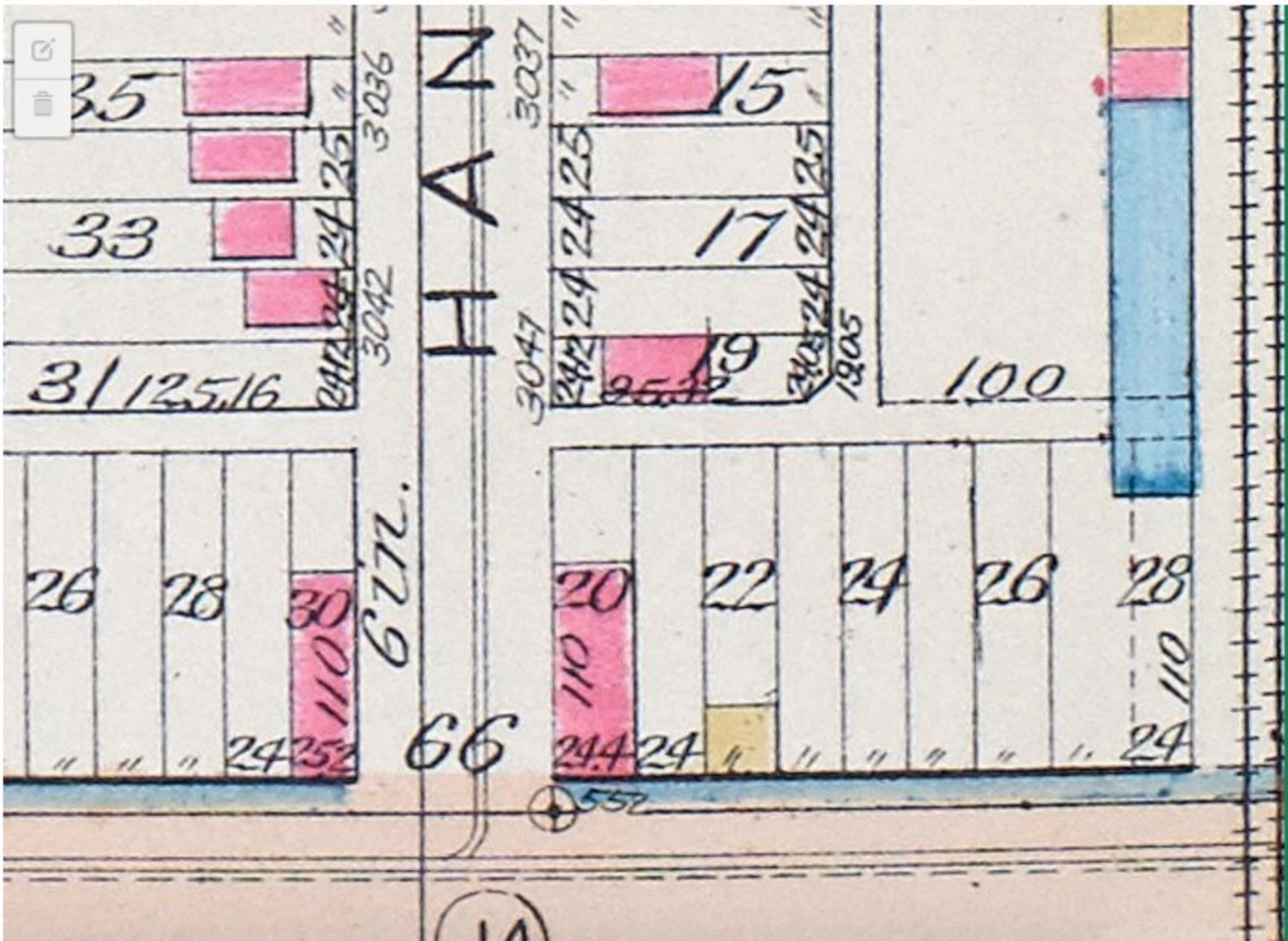
LEGAL NEWS W. D.—Form 62.—The J. M. W. Jones Stationery and Printing Co., Chicago.

**This Indenture,** Made this Twenty eighth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five BETWEEN  
Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Talbot his wife  
of the City of Chicago in the County of Cook and State of Illinois party of the first part, and  
John Rooney  
of the City of Chicago in the County of Cook and State of Illinois party of the second part:  
**Witnesseth,** That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Nineteen Hundred DOLLARS,  
in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the said party of the second part forever released and discharged therefrom, have granted, bargained, sold, remised, released, conveyed, aliened and confirmed, and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, convey, alien and confirm unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns FOREVER, all the following described lot, piece or parcel of land, situated in the City of Chicago County of Cook, and State of Illinois, and known and described as follows, to wit:

Lot twenty two (22) in block five (5) in David Davis South Addition being a subdivision of the South East quarter (S. E. 1/4) of the South West quarter (S. W. 1/4) of section twenty eight (28) town thirty nine (39) North Range Fourteen (14) East of the Third principal Meridian except the Easternity three (3) feet thereof subject however to an indebtedness of eleven hundred dollars secured by a Trust deed dated May 7<sup>th</sup> 1884 covering said premises which said Trust deed is recorded in the Records office of Cook County Illinois in book 1513 of records page 4 as document number 545267. This indebtedness the party of the second part hereof hereby assumes and agrees to pay in accordance with the terms of said Trust deed as part of the consideration for the premises above described and to save the party of the first part harmless therefrom.

Zoom of 1885 Sale naming Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Talbot as sellers and John Rooney as buyer

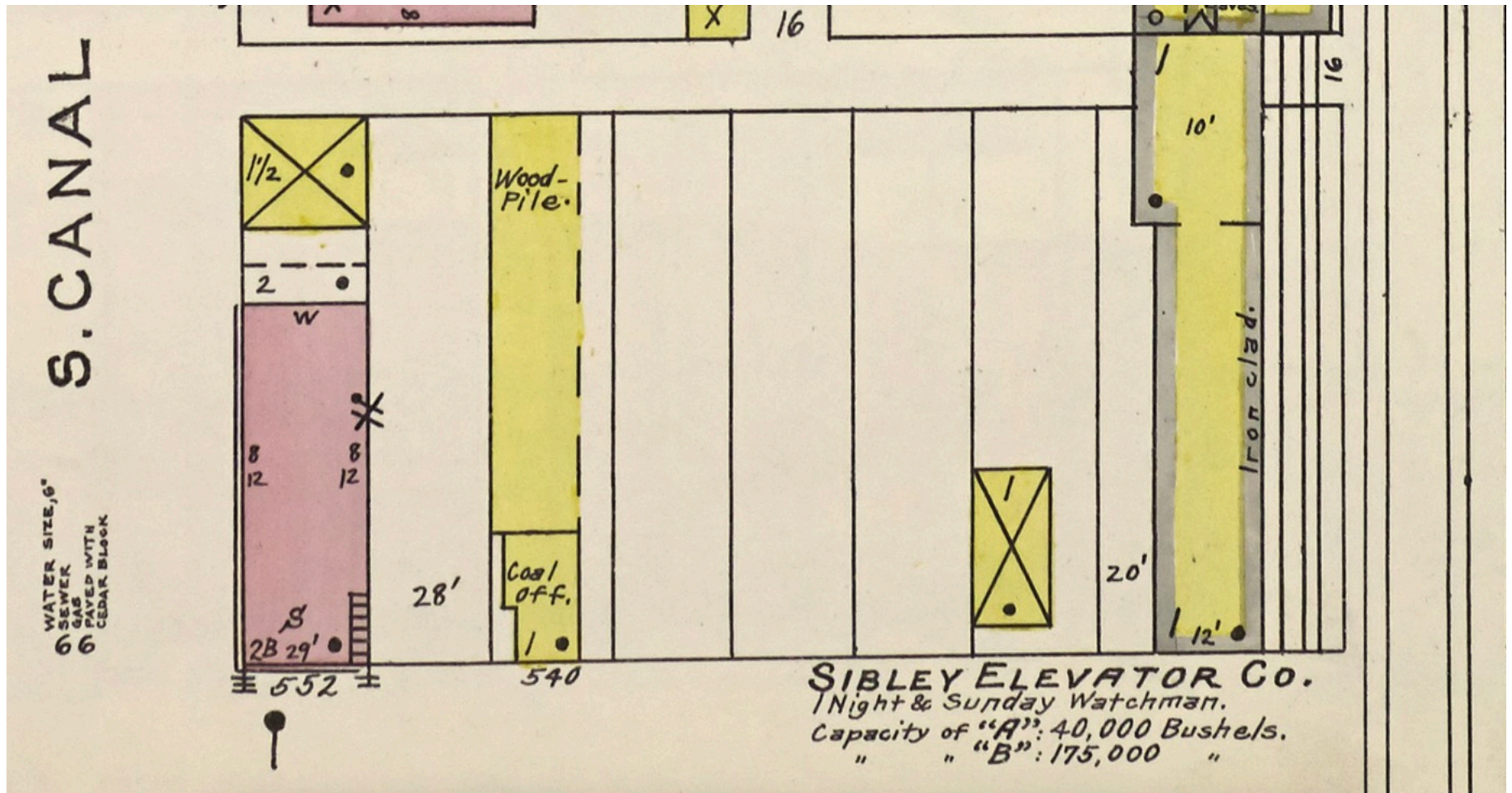




1886 Robinson Insurance Map

There is a building on the property (lot 22 with the yellow square in the bottom center)





1891 Rascher Insurance Map

540 31st is the site of a coal business, which is presumed to be the business started by Edward H. Talbot and sold to his brother-in-law John Rooney





31st and Canal (Bridgeport - Chicago, IL) [Photo Credit: Michael E. Byczek, Copyright 2022]  
The Talbot business was the third lot right of Canal (along the left side of photo)

Original address was 540 31st.  
Present-day address is 420 W. 31st St.

Talbot Daniel, lab. house 396 S. Desplaines  
 Talbot Edward, coal, house 3215 Hanover  
 Talbot Edward J. police. house 502, 26th  
 Talbot Emily A. wid. John furnished rooms 127

1885 Chicago Directory  
 Edward Talbot is working in coal while living at 3215 Hanover (present-day 3215 Canal)  
 The house was located just one block away from the coal business on 31st and Canal

Thirty-first st, 48 1-3 ft e of Harrison, s f,  
 24x110, May 7, David Davis to E H Tal-  
 bot.....\$1600  
 Twenty-fifth st, s e cor of Butler, n f, 25x

Real Estate and Building Journal  
 5/17/1884  
 (Purchase)

Thirty-first st, 48 ft e of Hanover st. s f, 24x110  
 ft, dated April 28—Edward H. Talbot to John  
 Rooney..... 1,900  
 Warren av. n e cor of Robey st. s f, 75x125 ft.

Chicago Inter Ocean  
 5/1/1885  
 (Sale)

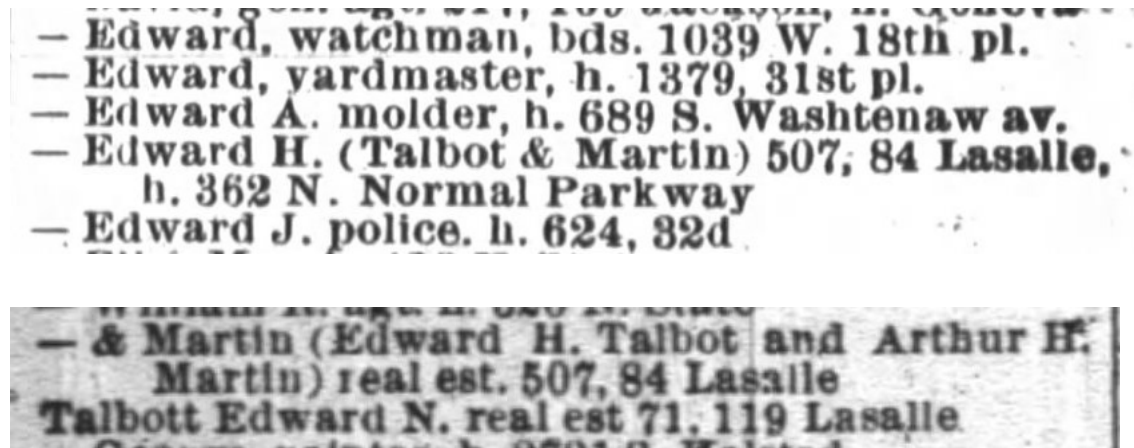


## Talbot & Martin Real Estate

Known Duration: 4/14/1895 - 7/7/1895

Office: #507 84 and 86 La Salle (Chicago, IL) [Known as the Oxford Building]

Unknown whether licensed brokers or general promoters that specialized in real estate advertisements.



### 1895 Chicago Directory

There are two relevant Chicago Directory entries:

1. Edward H. Talbot, a personal entry that refers to his employment at Talbot & Martin
2. Talbot & Martin, which describes the real estate business partnership of Edward H. Talbot and Arthur H. Martin

*Note: There is an entry for Edward N. Talbott, also involved with real estate at the same time  
It's possible that both are the same person, with the address at 119 Lasalle representing an earlier venture and a spelling error for Edward H. Talbot*

**W**ANTED-TO RENT-FLATS IN ALL PARTS  
of the city. TALBOT & MARTIN,  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.

April 14, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

**W**ANTED - FIRST-CLASS RETAIL CIGAR  
store in good location, business center of the  
city. TALBOT & MARTIN,  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.

**T**O RENT-TALBOT & MARTIN,  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.  
4528 Prairie-av., 8 rooms. ....\$50  
4501 Wabash-av., 7 rooms . . . 35  
4308 Wabash-av., 7 rooms..... 35  
And many other very desirable flats.

**T**O RENT-TALBOT & MARTIN,  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.  
3635 Ellis-av., partly furnished, choicest place in  
Oakwood; \$83.33%.  
3263 Rhodes-av., 9 rooms, cheap.  
4311 Oakenwald-av., furnished, elegant location;  
\$90.  
Call and see us for desirable houses and locations.

**F**OR SALE-THE CHOICEST HOME IN KEN-  
wood, on Madison-av.; built and occupied by own-  
er for home and must be seen to be appreciated; this  
is worth investigating, both as a home and bargain.  
TALBOT & MARTIN,  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.

**F**OR SALE-RETAIL CORNER DRUG STORE;  
best location in Englewood; large cigar and soda  
water trade, in addition to good prescription trade.  
TALBOT & MARTIN,  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.

**F**OR SALE—BY TALBOT & MARTIN.  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.

**BARGAINS IN VACANT.**

Madison-av., 50x150, near 50th-st.  
Madison-av., 75x125, near Midway.  
Madison-av., 125x125, near 63d-st.  
Michigan-blvd., 121x161; choice corner.  
Charlotte-st., 25x125, near W. 43d-st.  
Elizabeth-st., 25x125, near 68th-st.

**BARGAINS IN IMPROVED.**

Rhodes-av., near 33d-st., 9 rooms.  
Ellis-av., near 37th-st., 11 rooms.  
Drexel-av., near 45th-st., 10 rooms.  
Drexel-av., near 65th-st., 8 rooms.  
Madison-av., near Midway, 9 rooms.  
Prairie-av., near 30th-st.  
Union-av., near 69th-st., 2 houses; make offer.  
Large list of other choice vacant and improved.

April 14, 1895  
Chicago Tribune  
(Seven total advertisements)



**WANTED-HOUSES.**  
**W**ANTED-TO RENT-FOR RESPONSIBLE client, 12 or 15 room furnished house between 25th and 35th, east of Wabash-av., or on Lake-av., north of 47th-st, \$100 to \$150 per month. TALBOT & MARTIN, 84 La Salle.

April 17, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

**WANTED-HOUSES.**  
**W**ANTED-TO RENT-HAVE CLIENTS WISH- ing to rent furnished house, South Side, renting from \$50 to \$125 per month. TALBOT & MARTIN, 84 La Salle-st.

April 20, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

**TO RENT-NICE FLATS NEAR LAFLIN-ST. STA-**  
tion, Metropolitan Elevated. TALBOT & MAR-  
TIN, 84 and 86 La Salle-st.

April 21, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

**TO RENT—HOUSES, FURNISHED AND UNFURNISHED,** in Kenwood, Hyde Park, Englewood, Auburn Park. **TALBOT & MARTIN, 84 La Salle.**

April 29, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

**FOR SALE—THE BEST INDUSTRY OR WAREHOUSE** site in Chicago on 8 different railroads with free switching to and from each, and lowest rate to and from other railroads; will be sold at  $\frac{1}{2}$  of present value if taken this week.  
**TALBOT & MARTIN,  
84 La Salle-st.**

**FOR EXCHANGE—FOR VACANT OR IMPROVED** realty, a very profitable manufacturing plant of hoisting machinery and steam forge works, with valuable patents; centrally located and established ten years; value \$32,500.  
**TALBOT & MARTIN, 84 and 86 La Salle.**

**FOR EXCHANGE—**  
For Chicago vacant or improved property.  
160 acres 2 miles from Cheboygan, Mich., and 2 lots in Cheboygan; price \$700.  
160 acres in Knox County, Neb., 3 miles from Bonfield, Neb.; price \$25 per acre.  
320 acres in Hand County, S. D., 6 miles from Orient; price \$10 per acre.  
And some choice farms in Wisconsin.  
**TALBOT & MARTIN, 84 and 86 La Salle-st.**

May 5, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

## REAL ESTATE TO EXCHANGE.

FOR EXCHANGE—BY TALBOT & MARTIN.

84 and 86 La Salle-st.

House and 50-ft. lot, Indiana-av., near 43d-st., for detached house near Garfield Park.

House and lot on Wentworth-av., and cash for 2-story frame flat on Wabash-av.

\$3,500 equity in fine home at Auburn Park for hardware or other good business in Illinois town.

Elegant 127-acre farm, all under cultivation, near Ripon, Wis., for flat building.

For Chicago realty, 320 acres in Pipestone County, Minn., near Woodstock; \$30 per acre.

160 acres, Knox Co., Neb., \$25 per acre.

320 acres, Hand Co., S. D., \$10 per acre.

160 acres timber land near Petoskey, Mich., and two lots in Cheboygan; any cash offer considered.

320 acres, Grove Co., Kas., \$5 per acre.

For St. Louis vacant or improved and some cash, 3-flat building on Jackson-blvd.; value \$9,000.

Large list of other properties for exchange and sale in all parts of city and suburbs.

May 12, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

TO RENT—ELEGANT CORNER HOUSE ON  
Drexel-blvd., near 43d-st.: \$45.  
TALBOT & MARTIN, 84 and 86 La Salle-st.

June 30, 1895  
Chicago Tribune



## WANTED-HOUSES.

WANTED-TO RENT-HOUSES, STORES, AND  
apartments; also properties to manage and care  
for: we give this business special attention and our  
personal supervision, thereby obtaining the best  
possible results for owners.

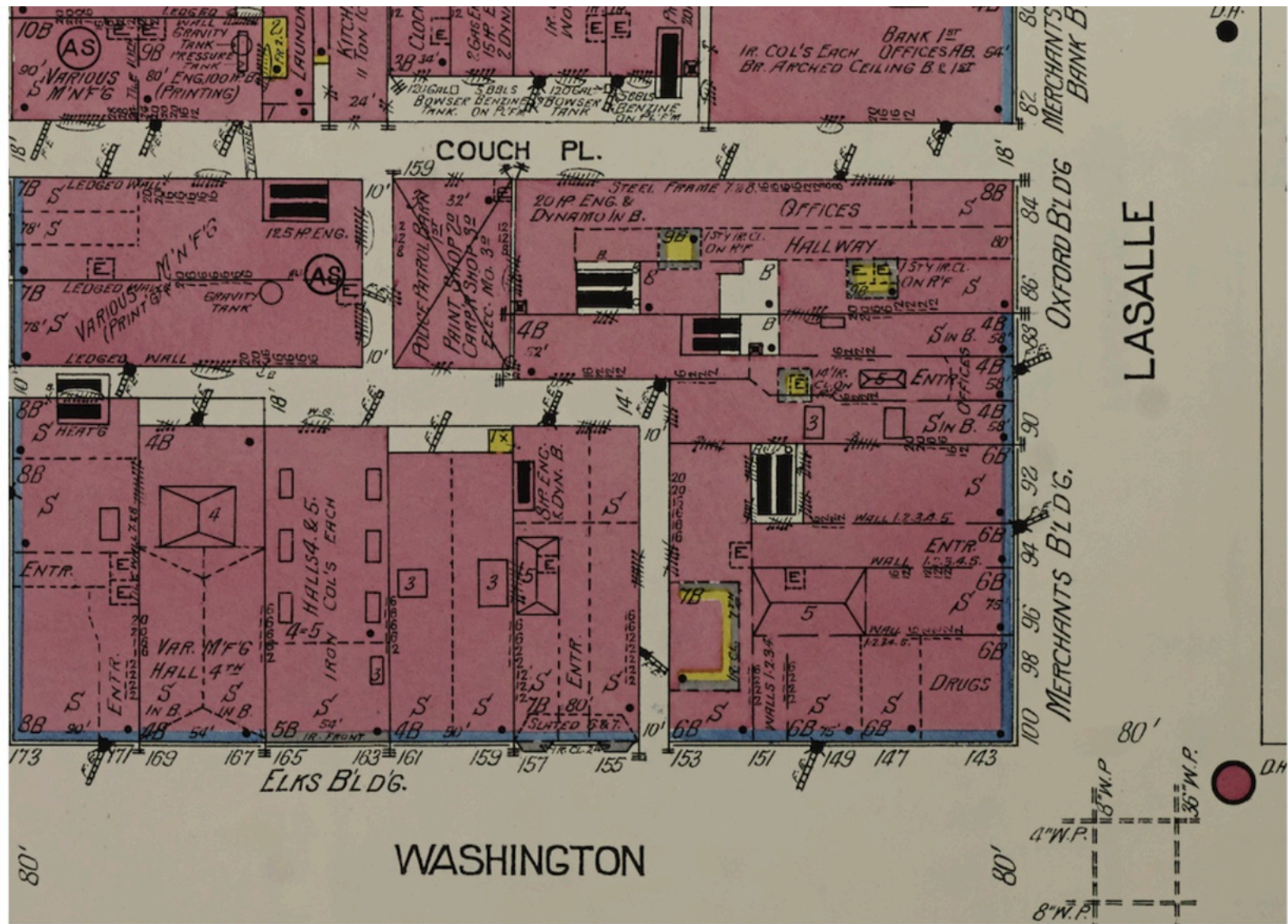
TALBOT & MARTIN. 84 and 86 La Salle-st.

July 7, 1895  
Chicago Tribune



1898 Birds Eye View Map  
The Oxford Building is the red building to the left of the center alley  
Horizontal street along bottom is LaSalle. Randolph is along the right. Washington is along the left.





1906 Sanborn Map. Refer to addresses on LaSalle. Edward used the address 84-86 LaSalle.



The firm name changed from Talbot & Martin to Talbot & Knapp in July 1895.

**BUSINESS NOTICE—A. H. MARTIN, OF THE**  
**Firm of Talbot & Martin, having withdrawn, the**  
**firm will hereafter be known as Talbot & Knapp.**  
**Chicago, July 18, 1895.**

Chicago Record - 7/19/1895

**A. H. MARTIN OF THE FIRM OF TALBOT &**  
**A. Martin having withdrawn, the firm will here-**  
**after be known as Talbot & Knapp. Chicago, July**  
**18, 1895.**

July 20, 1895  
Chicago Daily News

**A. H. Martin, of the real estate firm of Talbot**  
**& Martin, having withdrawn, the firm hereafter**  
**will be known as Talbot & Knapp, 84 and 86 La**  
**Salle street.**

July 27, 1895  
The Economist  
Described as "A Weekly Financial, Commercial, and Real Estate Newspaper"

## Talbot & Knapp Real Estate

Known Duration: 7/21/1895 - 9/15/1895

Office: 84 and 86 La Salle (Chicago, IL) [Unknown whether the same office within the building as Talbot & Martin]

It is presumed that the business itself remained the same, just with a different partner.

**FOR SALE—BY TALBOT & KNAPP,**  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.  
**SPECIAL BARGAIN.**  
100x175—Prairie-av., near 53d-st.....\$100  
100x125—Corner, Wharton-av., near 63d-st..... 100  
270x110—Cor. Archer-av., near Halsted-st... .. 85  
75x93x20—Cor. Washington-av., near 63d-st... . 40  
90x180—Drexel-blvd., near 41-st... .. 350  
Plant for bicycle fac'y, Archer-av., nr. Halsted. Cheap  
Factory site, Wallace-st., nr. 57th, on 8 railr'ds. Cheap

**FOR SALE—SPECIAL BARGAIN, WORTH INVESTIGATING—**  
3 flat buildings and lot paying 10 per cent on Lincoln, near Polk-st. **TALBOT & KNAPP, 84 La Salle-st.**

**FOR EXCHANGE—BY TALBOT & KNAPP,**  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.  
One of the most profitable manufacturing plants of hoisting machinery in the West, including valuable patents, for \$40,000 worth of clear improved or vacant.  
Residence and lot, 50x165, Indiana-av., near 44th-st., for business or income property; value \$14,000.

July 21, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

TO EXCHANGE—\$150,000 WORTH OF THE MOST  
desirable vacant property in Kenwood and cash  
for large central income business or residence prop-  
erty.  
TALBOT & KNAPP,  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.

August 4, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

TO EXCHANGE—BY TALBOT & KNAPP,  
84 and 86 La Salle-st.  
\$150,000 worth of choicest vacant in Kenwood  
clear and some cash for desirable apartment build-  
ing or other income property; \$150,000 worth  
choicest vacant in Hyde Park, incumbrance \$50,000,  
for apartment building or other income property  
with similar incumbrance; \$9,000 worth of stock in  
apartment building, Wabash-av., near 22d-st., for  
clear vacant or improved.

August 18, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

FOR SALE—SPECIAL BARGAIN IF TAKEN  
this week—100x125, Langley-av., between 48th  
and 49th-sts., \$80 per foot.  
TALBOT & KNAPP, 84 La Salle-st.

August 25, 1895  
Chicago Tribune



**TO RENT AND FOR SALE—MUST BE LEASED OR**  
sold immediately—The nicest medium-sized bicycle factory or machine shop and foundry in the city; centrally located; large yard; two railroad tracks; manufacturers will find it exceedingly profitable to investigate this quick. **TALBOT & KNAPP,**  
86 La Salle-st.

September 15, 1895  
Chicago Tribune

## **E. H. Talbot & Co.**

### Promoters and Real Estate Property Management

Michael E. Byczek has determined that the business model changed from general promotion to real estate, which can be described as two distinct phases:

Phase 1: Promoters (General Agents) located at 84-86 La Salle (Chicago, IL) from 2/9/1896 - 2/23/1896

Phase 2: Real Estate Property Management (Medinah Temple from 3/4/1897 - 3/19/1898, as known)

Phase 1 was a transition from Talbot & Knapp to E. H. Talbot & Co. It appears that the business remained in the same building, perhaps the same office. Even though Edward H. Talbot initially had a partner during Phase 1, he had renamed the company in his own name. Shortly after forming this new company, Edward H. Talbot restructured the business without a partner.

Phase 2 was a significant turning point and Edward H. Talbot relocated his office to the Medinah Temple in coordination with multiple other business ventures.

Edward H. Talbot was involved with at least three other business ventures during his time at the Medinah Temple:

1. Vanderkloot & Talbot - Bicycle manufacturing company with a retail office in the Medinah Temple
2. Medinah Cycling Co and Riding Academy - The business was managed by Vanderkloot & Talbot
3. International Hypothecate Bank

The Medinah Temple had two addresses: 237 5th Ave and 179-181 E. Jackson.

The Chicago Directory refers to Edward H. Talbot as a promoter continuously from 1896-1900 in the Medinah Temple. However, he was the manager of E. H. Talbot & Co (doing business as Promoters) from 1896-1897 in office #614. From 1898-1899, Edward H. Talbot was just a "Promoter" without mention of any company in the same office. In 1900, Edward H. Talbot moved to office #906, which was the office used by Charles Stickney, the other promoter of the International Hypothecate Bank.

The Chicago Directory for 1896 and 1897 lists "E. H. Talbot & Co" under the business index of "Promoters". However, the listings for 1898 and 1899 have "Edward H. Talbot" without including any company reference.

As a comparison, this company is not listed in the 1895 business listings for "Promoters". Instead, "Talbot & Martin" is listed under Real Estate.

Newspaper ads from February 1896 show E. H. Talbot & Co was doing business in the Oxford Building where "Talbot & Martin" along with "Talbot & Knapp" were conducting a real estate business. It is unknown when the Chicago Directory was printed, but the 1896 edition already shows #614 in the Medinah Temple.

E. H. Talbot & Co was a partnership between Edward H. Talbot and Benjamin J. Raven in 1896. The 1897 Chicago Directory only refers to Edward himself.

The 1900 Directory was the last year in which a business location was included. Edward H. Talbot was just listed as a promoter with a residential address through 1905. Kittie (Rooney) Talbot died in 1899. Therefore, there may be a direct connection between her death and why Edward switched offices within the same building. It is also possible that Kittie (Rooney) Talbot was involved with the business. This would explain why Edward H. Talbot ended the business after Kittie passed away in 1899.

Newspaper ads for E. H. Talbot & Co only exists for February 1896, in which his office is still 84 La Salle. The 1896 Chicago Directory has E. H. Talbot & Co with an office in the Medinah Temple. The International Hypothecate Bank was incorporated in December 1896. It is unknown at what point during the year when the Directory was printed.

It was between these two phases when Edward H. Talbot was one of the promoters/incorporators of the International Hypothecate Bank. The Bank was headquartered in the Medinah Temple, and later tried to acquire ownership of the building through a bond purchase.

The bank was incorporated in Dubuque, IA in December 1896. It was originally scheduled to start business in January or February 1897. In January 1897, an article stated that the bank had an office in the Medinah Temple. Through January and April 1897, the bank tried to acquire ownership of the Medinah Temple. This is the only known actual business activity of the bank. Nothing is known about the bank after April 1897 until an Arkansas newspaper article in September 1898 stated the bank was trying to establish business in the state. That is the last known mention of the bank.

The bank immediately tried to acquire ownership of the Medinah Temple (less than one month after being incorporated).

After the International Hypothecate Bank had an office in the Medinah Temple, E. H. Talbot & Co was first mentioned as the property manager.

One explanation is that Edward still had an existing business and just refocused from general agents to property management rather than starting a new company. However, Edward H. Talbot is consistently listed in the Chicago Directories from 1896 through 1900 as a promoter with an office in the Medinah Temple without mention of being a property manager. Therefore, it is plausible to conclude that property management was included within his business of being a promoter. The term "promoter" might have been a loose term. Edward's focus may have been attracting interest in the Medinah Temple as a Promoter of the building.

The final newspaper ad for "Talbot and Martin" on 7/7/1895 referred to seeking properties to manage.

### ***Start Date***

There was a sequence of events that happened all at the same time. There is uncertainty about how Edward Talbot first got involved with the Medinah Temple.

The last known newspaper advertisement for E. H. Talbot & Co located at 84 LaSalle was 2/23/1896.

"E. H. Talbot & Co" Promoters was formed (earliest reference is 2/9/1896) after "Talbot & Knapp" Real Estate ended (last reference is 9/15/1895). It is unknown who Knapp was, but there was a William Knapp working at the Medinah Temple before and after. Both companies were located in the same office at 84-86 LaSalle.

The 1896 Chicago Directory listed Edward Talbot as a promoter with an office at the Medinah Temple (E. H. Talbot & Co in partnership with Benjamin Raven).

The International Hypothecate Bank was incorporated on 12/11/1896 and immediately attempted to acquire the Medinah Temple Building. There were two promoters, Edward Talbot and Charles Stickney, whose office was in the Medinah Temple.

First reference to the Bank's headquarters located in the Medinah Temple on 1/7/1897.

The first reference to Edward Talbot being the property manager was 3/4/1897.



The 1897 Chicago Directory lists Edward H. Talbot as the owner of Vanderkloot & Talbot, which operated the Medinah Cycling Co located at the Medinah Temple.

### ***End Date***

E. H. Talbot & Co moved from 84 LaSalle to Room 614 at the Medinah Temple between the 1895 and 1896 Chicago Directories.

The 1897 Chicago Directory still lists E. H. Talbot & Co in the business listings for "Promoters".

There was a partnership between Edward Talbot and Benjamin Raven in the 1896 Directory. However, the 1897 Directory implies that Edward Talbot is the sole owner.

The 1898, 1899, and 1900 Directories only refer to Edward H. Talbot for both the regular and business listings (Promoters). This implies that E. H. Talbot & Co had ended and Edward Talbot is a sole proprietor using his name as his business identity.

A newspaper article for 3/19/1898 refers to E. H. Talbot & Co at the Medinah Temple in relation to property management.

That newspaper article is the last known reference to E. H. Talbot & Co.

Kittie (Rooney) Talbot died in September 1899.

The Medinah Temple Company and Edward Talbot both shared the same office, Room #614 from 1896-1899. In 1900, they both shared a different office, Room #906.

This room was the former office of Charles Stickney, a co-promoter of the International Hypothecate Bank.

It is unclear why the official Medinah Temple Co changed offices along with Edward Talbot.

The 1900 Chicago Directory was the last reference to where Edward Talbot worked. He doesn't have any employment in the 1901 Directory and was only listed as a Promoter in the 1902 Directory. His name does not appear under the business listings for "Promoters" for 1901 or 1902. The 1900 Directory was the last year where Edward's name appeared (name only) under the business listings for "Promoters".

This implies that 1900 may have been the final year for Edward Talbot at the Medinah Temple. He married Delia Talbot in September 1900.

— Edward, switchman, h. 279 W. 25th  
 — Edward A. insp. bds. 689 S. Washtenaw av  
 — Edward H. mngr. 614, 237, 5th av. h.  
 557 Division  
 — Edward J. police. h. 624, 22d  
 — Eliza, wid. Joseph, h. 426 N. State  
 — Eugene S. dentist 1205, 103 State, h. Oak  
 Park  
 — E. H. & Co. (Edward H. Talbot and Ben-  
 jamin J. Raven) promoters 614, 237,  
 5th av.

#### 1896 Chicago Directory

Edward is now the manager of E. H. Talbot & Co. located at 237 5th Ave, Suite 614 (Medinah Temple)  
 The company is referred to as “promoters”

Two listings: One for Edward as an individual and one for the company  
 Edward is living at 557 Division (Kittie Rooney’s father built the Rooney family home at 586 Division).

Note: In 1896, Edward becomes involved with International Hypothecate Bank while living at 557 Division (refer to newspaper article)

Note: Edward maintains the same office location while later living at 6550 Woodlawn, which confirms his identity.

Talbot Edward, h. 658 S. Rockwell  
 — Edward H. mngr. 614, 237, 5th av. h.  
 6550 Woodlawn av.  
 — Edward J. guard, h. 281 W. 25th  
 — Edward J. police, h. 624, 32d  
 — Eliza, wid. Joseph, h. 426 N. State  
 — Eugene S. dentist 1205, 103 State, h. Oak  
 Park  
 — Evy D. Miss, h. 808 Walnut  
 — E. H. & Co. (Edward H. Talbot) pro-  
 moters 614, 237, 5th av.

### 1897 Chicago Directory

Edward is now listed without Raven for the company. Presumed that Raven left.  
 Edward is now living at 6550 Woodlawn while the office is the same.

Edward A machinist h 658 S Rockwell  
 Edward H promoter 614, 237, 5th av h 6550  
 Woodlawn av  
 Edward J police h 624 W 32d  
 Edward J signalman h 281 W 25th  
 Elisha H pres Travel pub co 1100, 324 Dear-  
 born h New York

### 1898 Chicago Directory

The same for Edward, except there is only one listing for him as an individual and not a second for the company.  
 The company is not even referenced, but Edward's office is the same implying that the company still exists.

Note: Elisha H. (also goes by the name E. H. Talbot) is back involved with Chicago while living in New York (formerly editor of railroad magazine).  
 A few years later, it appears that Edward enters the railroad business using the name E. H. Talbot, which creates a difficulty proving his identity.



Edward A engraver h 904 Ogden av  
 Edward H promoter 614, 237, 5th av h 6550  
 Woodlawn av  
 Edward J police h 624, 32d  
 Edward J signalman h 281 W 25th

#### 1899 Chicago Directory

Edward is listed as the same for prior year without change. Again, the company does not specifically exist in the directory, but the office is the same.

Edward clk h 1379, 31st pl  
 Edward A engraver h 117 Hastings  
 Edward H clk h 1014 W Monroe  
 Edward H promoter 906, 237, 5th av h 4132  
 Wabash av  
 Edward J police h 624, 32d  
 Edward J signalman h 281 W 25th

#### 1900 Chicago Directory

There are two Edward H. Talbot listings.

Another Edward H. appears shortly after and remains after Edward's death in 1908 suggesting this particular entry could be a second person.

It could also be a double entry. However, it's presumed that these are two different people.

Note: Edward's normal office was 614 in the Medinah Temple. Now (same address), it's 906.

Phase 1 - General Promoters

**WANTED—MALE AND FEMALE AGENTS IN**  
all parts of United States to handle exclusive territory for an article that every household must have; 100 per cent profit to agents. **E. H. TALBOT & CO., 84 and 86 La Salle st.**

**ABLE Bldg., 609 and 611 N. Dearborn St.**  
**AGENTS WANTED—MALE AND FEMALE, TO**  
handle article that every household must have:  
100 per cent profit to agents; exclusive territory.  
**E. H. TALBOT & CO., 86 La Salle-st.**

February 9, 1896  
Top - Inter Ocean / Bottom - Chicago Tribune

**A** GENTS—MALE AND FEMALE, IN ALL parts of the United States to handle exclusive territory for an article that every household must have; 100 per cent profit to agents. The greatest discovery of the age for softening water without the use of chemicals of any kind. Water softened by this appliance produces the following results: Beautifies the complexion, softens the skin, preventing chapping, roughness, pimples, discoloring or skin diseases; prevents rheumatism and nervousness when used in bath. Unexcelled in laundry work, admitting of the use of any kind of soap, reducing labor to the minimum; prevents shrinking and destruction of goods by hard rubbing and use of hard water. In this one respect the saving to any household in soap and labor will more than equal the cost of the article each month. No necessity for cisterns or saving of rain water.

Directions—Place article in water while boiling and remove after 15 to 30 minutes; also keep it clean.

Price \$5.

E. H. TALBOT & CO.,  
84 and 86 La Salle st.,  
Chicago, Ill.

February 9, 1896  
Chicago Chronicle



**AGENTS—MALE OR FEMALE, ALL PARTS**  
United States, to handle exclusive territory for  
article that sells itself; sales first week, \$9,230;  
100 per cent profit to agents. **E. H. TALBOT &**  
**CO., 84 and 86 La Salle-st., Chicago.**

February 16, 1896  
Chicago Tribune

**AGENTS.**

**A**GENTS—MALE AND FEMALE, IN ALL  
parts of the United States, to handle exclusive  
territory for an article that every household must  
have; 100 per cent profit to agents.

The greatest discovery of the age for softening  
water without the use of chemicals of any kind.  
Water softened by this appliance produces the  
following results: Beautifies the complexion,  
softens the skin, preventing chapping, roughness,  
pimples, discoloring or skin diseases. Prevents  
Rheumatism and Nervousness when used in bath.  
Unexcelled in laundry work, admitting of the use  
of any kind of soap, reducing labor to the minimum,  
prevents shrinking and destruction of goods by  
hard rubbing and use of hard water. In this one  
respect the saving to any household in soap and  
labor will more than equal the cost of the article  
each month. No necessity for cisterns or saving  
of rain water. Directions: Place article in water  
while boiling and remove after 15 to 30 minutes;  
also keep it clean. Sales first week, \$9,230.

**E. H. TALBOT & CO., General Agents,**  
**84 and 86 LaSalle st., Chicago, Ill.**

February 16, 1896 - Chicago Chronicle

**CANVASSERS—MEN AND WOMEN EVERYWHERE**  
to handle article everybody wants; phenomenal  
seller; 100 per cent profit; apply quick for territory.  
**E. H. TALBOT & CO., 81 La Salle-st.**

February 23, 1896  
Chicago Tribune

## **Phase II - Medinah Temple (Real Estate Property Management)**

It appears that Edward Talbot worked for the Medinah Temple Company, perhaps in the role of property manager through E. H. Talbot & Co.

According to the Chicago Directories, the company was located in room #614 from 1896-1899. From 1900-1902 it was located in room 906.

Edward Talbot's office was #614 from 1896-1899. His office was #906 in 1900. Afterwards, he was never listed with a promoter address again. Therefore, it's unknown exactly when he left the Medinah Temple.

Charles Stickney, the other promoter for the International Hypothecate Bank, was working in room #906 (Medinah Temple) in 1896 as an agent. Stickney was working in various rooms within the Medinah Temple in 1897, 1898, and 1899. He was not listed in the 1900 Directory. His was just an "agent" without a work address in the 1895 Directory.

It is unknown how the official Medinah Temple Company moved from room #614 to #906 or the connection between Charles Stickney and Edward Talbot.

The first Medinah Temple was built for the "Masonic Order of the Mystic Shrine", otherwise known as the "Shriners". A second Medinah Temple was built in the River North neighborhood, where Bally Casino opened a temporary location in 2023.



A sale of the bonds of the Medinah Temple and a virtual reorganization of the company is now in prospect. The International Hypothecate bank, a concern newly organized with a capital stock of \$10,000,000, has secured an option on the bonds at 70, good until Feb. 1, and it is said that this contract will be fulfilled. Of the \$100,000 of Medinah Temple bonds issued, all except about \$20,000 are held by directors of the company. The nominal price for the paper has been about 50. Several efforts have been made to obtain some basis of reorganization which would place the corporation in a substantial condition, but all have failed.

The International Hypothecate bank, which has offices in the Medinah Temple, proposes to conduct a mortgage loan business on the "European principle" and to operate in all parts of this country and abroad.

At a meeting of the directors of the Illinois Trust and Savings bank Chauncey Keep was elected to fill the vacancy in the board caused by the death of J. C. McMullin.

The treasury net gold balance yesterday was \$138,119,511, an increase of \$133,214 from the previous day.

The Chicago Record - 1/6/1897

The International Hypothecate Bank secured an option on the Medinah Temple bonds.

Recently the concern known as the International Hypothecate bank, organized under the laws of Iowa to conduct a mortgage loan business, proposed to take the Medinah Temple off the hands of its present owners and assume the bond responsibility. E. H. Talbot, manager of the temple, promoted the organization and has confidence in the future of the property. It is possible the proposal of the Hypothecate bank may be considered now.

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3/25/1897  
Chicago Chronicle

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OFFICE BUILDINGS

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**FISHER BUILDING ,**

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DEARBORN AND VAN BUREN STS.,

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CHICAGO,

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The Highest Commercial Building in the  
World—302 Feet High, 21 Stories.  
**THE MASONIC FRATERNITY TEMPLE  
ASSOCIATION.**  
DIRECTORS:  
Richard C. Lake, President; Jonathan Abel,  
Vice-President; D. G. Rush, Secretary and  
Treasurer; W. G. Purdy, B. W. Kendall.  
CHICAGO.

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**MEDINAH TEMPLE COMPANY.**

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E. H. TALBOT, MANAGER.

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614 MEDINAH BUILDING.

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CHICAGO.

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3/4/1897 - Muncie Evening Press (Muncie, IN)

Next Page: 3/27/1897 - Chicago Chronicle



### CHICAGO FINANCIAL CIRCLES.

Men representing 85 per cent of the Medinah Temple bond holdings met yesterday in response to a call from several representative bondholders and decided to find a purchaser for their bonds immediately or begin foreclosure proceedings in the near future.

A committee composed of Samuel I. Pope, Adrian Vanderkloot and John R. True, all directors of the Medinah Temple Company, was appointed and given power to consummate a sale of the bonds. If within a few days such a deal is not closed foreclosure proceedings will be commenced.

The Medinah Temple bonds amount to \$400,000, and they draw 6 per cent. They were issued March 1, 1894. No interest has ever been paid, but coupons have been turned in to the company by some holders in return for office rent. The interest due therefor amounts approximately to \$65,000.

More than 75 per cent of the bonds are held by directors of the company, and all along the latter have shown a willingness to accept 6 per cent notes of the company for interest due and give this new office building a change to develop into a paying property. Recently, however, a certain outside individual acquired possession of \$17,000 of the bonds and has been clamoring loudly for the interest due on them, threatening a foreclosure suit if it was not forthcoming. It was this menace to the welfare of the property which brought the balance of the bondholders to their action of yesterday.

The building is now under the management of E. H. Talbot, and is doing better than it ever has before. In fact, the earnings are sufficient to take care of the current interest on the bonds, and the property would be in fair shape were it not in arrears. In the past year the company has paid off a floating debt of \$20,000, though it passed its interest to do so.

At present operating expenses are about \$30,000 a year, which, with ground rent of \$24,000, makes yearly expenditures \$55,000, in round numbers. The income is now at the rate of \$80,000, which leaves the net earnings at \$25,000. The annual interest requirement is \$24,000, payable semiannually, March 1 and Sept. 1.

The authorized capital stock of the company is \$500,000, of which \$370,000 has been issued, and this is about half held by the directors. Business must improve considerably before the stock will ever earn anything, as there are provisions for an annual sinking fund of \$8,000 for the redemption of bonds at maturity, which is in 1924.

The committee yesterday appointed already has three proposals under consideration. One is from the International Hypothecate bank, recently incorporated under the laws of Iowa to do a mortgage loan business. This concern would purchase the bonds and a majority of the capital stock and take the building. A second would-be purchaser is a Chicago individual and a third is a New York company, represented by a man who refuses to divulge the name of the concern for which he is acting.

The Medinah temple property has been kept up well and its physical condition today is as good as the day it was completed.

### **May Buy Medinah Temple Bonds.**

The board of directors of the Medinah Temple company met yesterday afternoon and discussed the question of a foreclosure of the property under the mortgage. The International Hypothicate Bank, of which E. H. Talbot is the promoter, will probably make an offer for the bonds of the Medinah Temple company and the bondholders have agreed to wait until this offer is made before beginning action for a foreclosure of the mortgage, because of a default of interest. The International Hypothicate Bank, which was organized under the laws of the State of Iowa, is to have a capital stock of \$10,000,000 according to the articles of incorporation. A number of prominent New York capitalists are interested in the bank and they are to send an agent to Chicago to look over the field and to decide if they are to make an offer for the bonds. The ownership of the bonds would carry with it the ownership of the building as the property has not been sufficiently productive to enable it to pay the interest charges, which are now in default. The building is bonded for \$400,000 and an outstanding bond issue of \$376,475.

4/13/1897  
Chicago Tribune

The local consulate of the League of American Wheelmen at last has quarters in sight which will be used as the local league office. Rooms in the Medinah Temple are under consideration, and as advantageous terms are said to be offered it is likely the place will be accepted and occupied at once. A meeting of the consulate will be held on Thursday night in the rooms proposed for the new headquarters, and at that time the manager will meet the cyclists and some sort of an agreement will probably be reached. Burley Ayers yesterday sent out the following bulletin concerning the proposed change:

Agreeable to instructions from President Randall, I interviewed the manager of the Medinah Temple Building and made proposition to him for securing the two stores in the Temple, 179 and 181 East Jackson boulevard, near the Board of Trade. The proposition was favorably met by Mr. Talbot, the manager, and he in addition offered the use of the club rooms up-stairs and repair shop in the basement, dressing rooms, lavatories and baths, reading room facilities, and use of all the special facilities that the Medinah Temple affords.

Mr. Talbot will meet with us at the Consulate meeting this Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. He has further agreed to have the proposed rooms lighted up, furnished, and in order for the meeting, and the call is issued for the meeting in these rooms, instead of at the Victoria Hotel. Members going to the hotel will be referred to the new Consulate headquarters. Meeting room for a hundred delegates will be provided.

Manager Talbot will then go over the headquarters matter and meet the Consulate more than half way, and expresses no doubt but what a contract can be entered into at once on terms entirely within the power of the Consulate to carry out and leave a good balance in the bargain.

Every wheelman interested in the project is invited to be present on Thursday evening and look over the premises.

## IN MEDINAH TEMPLE.

### L. A. W. Officials Desire to Secure Quarters in the Big Building.

It was announced yesterday that the quarters which the local consulate of the L. A. W. had in view were located in the Medinah Temple building, Nos. 179-181 East Jackson boulevard, near the board of trade. Secretary Ayers interviewed Mr. Talbot, the manager of the building, yesterday afternoon, and made a proposition to him for securing two stores on the main floor. The proposition was favorably received by Mr. Talbot and he in addition offered the use of club-rooms upstairs, repair shop in the basement, dressing-rooms, lavatories and baths, reading-room facilities, and the use of all other privileges which the Medinah Temple affords.

It has been decided to hold the meeting of the consulate tomorrow night at the new rooms instead of at the Victoria hotel, as originally intended. The rooms will be furnished and properly lighted up for the meeting, and accommodation for a hundred delegates will be provided. Mr. Talbot will be present to discuss the scheme with the consulate. He will meet the wheelmen more than half way, and is of the opinion that there is no doubt but that a contract can be drawn up which will be entirely satisfactory to the consulate. Every wheelman interested in the project is invited to be present at the meeting and look over the premises.

Several cyclists yesterday expressed doubts as to the feasibility of the plan, although nearly all were in favor of a wheelmen's headquarters down town. The general opinion was that the stumbling block would prove to be one of finance.

7/28/1897

Left: Chicago Tribune / Right: Chicago Inter Ocean



# SCHEME BEARS FRUIT.

## OFFER WHEELMEN CLUB-ROOMS

**Medinah Temple People Would Put  
Out a Place in Their Big Building**

**—Offer the Dance Hall for Re-  
ceptions and Meetings.**

Bicycle riders walked around Medinah Temple yesterday and were comforted. In the two stores, 179 and 181 Jackson street, they hope to create the downtown headquarters for cyclists. It seems as though there is nothing in sight at present to prevent it.

E. H. Talbot, manager of the Medinah Temple, made a guess at what the wheelmen wanted. As a result he offered them the space that could be spared in the big building.

"That's the best ever," screamed Burley R. Ayers, the consulate's secretary. "And now the plan will be smiled upon by everybody. For why shouldn't a fellow favor such a scheme?" he went on. "There will be no expense at all except 75 cents a month for the storage and cleaning of wheels."

The Temple's management will provide club-rooms and repair-shop; also dressing-rooms and baths. In case of a reception the dancing hall will be turned over for the use of the cycling men.

### **Local Consulate Will Consider It.**

Everything that was promised Burley Ayers yesterday will be repeated at a meeting of the local consulate to-morrow night. The meeting was scheduled to take place at the Victoria, but because of yesterday's discoveries it will be held in the possible new home at Medinah Temple.

Manager Talbot will then go over the proposed matter and meet the consulate more than half way, and expresses no doubt but what a contract can be entered into at once on terms entirely within the power of the consulate to carry out and leave a good balance in the bargain.

Every wheelman interested in the project is invited to be present and look over the premises.

"I think the idea is a splendid one," said President Charles P. Root, of the Associated Cycling Clubs. "Certainly if the league takes it up the associated clubs will work along with it."

"There is no reason why every man who rides a bicycle shouldn't help us out, too," he added.

Chicago Record - 7/28/1897

Same day as the two articles above

E. H. Talbot, manager of the Medinah Temple, proposed a type of athletic club for the wheelmen. The article refers to "stores", which may have been associated with the Vanderkloot & Talbot company.

# CLUBHOUSE PLAN DEAD

## CONSULATE CHANGES FRONT.

Trade Jealousies and General Inertia of Local L. A. W. Body Stifle the Enterprise—Object to Medinah Temple Offer.

As usual the local consulate of the League of American Wheelmen met last night and left undone the things it had promised to do.

Trade jealousies, fear, and a general antipathy to work, formed a little "comedy of errors" over in Medinah Temple. The proposed cycling headquarters were discussed.

Mr. Talbot, manager of the building, offered the wheelmen in the league and any others who desired the use of his stores in Jackson boulevard, his dancing hall if they wanted it, dressing-rooms, reading-rooms, and smoking-rooms. He also told them they could have baths as ordered, lockers, repair shops, and anything else they might suggest—all for 50 or 75 cents a month per member; just enough to pay for the storage of wheels.

"Do you sell wheels in your block," was asked.

"Yes, but for no one firm. We do a jobbing business," was the reply.

"Oh, my, that's dreadful," spoke up a man

who was coached by another man in the trade.

He must have been a big man who talked, because those sitting beside him trembled and moved that it be a closed meeting.

"Can't we say anything?" asked some members of the Bankers', Morse and Normal clubs, who had strolled in in response to a general request.

Hurley B. Ayers, the secretary, was in favor of hearing anything which might be offered, but at the thought there was more trembling and a repeated request that the consulate find its nirvana without any gross assistance.

So the men who had been told it was an open meeting walked away, and the consulate, in accordance with custom, went out and spent a few hours at a neighboring restaurant.

"We have maintained our dignity," they said, as they boarded an owl car or two and went home.

Chicago Record - 7/30/1897

Mr. Talbot, the Medinah Temple manager, was unable to secure a lease for the wheelmen clubhouse

Perhaps no class of people more clearly realize the value of smooth pavements than do the wheelmen. It was principally through the agitation on the part of the wheelmen that public sentiment was created to an extent sufficient to bring about the boulevarding of East Jackson street and its being paved with asphalt. The public has from time to time been made aware of the fact that these same wheelmen are desirous of the coming of the day of smooth pavements generally, in order that the pleasure of cycling may be greatly increased and that the city as a whole may be materially benefited.

It was at one time thought that the question of smooth streets, so far as the wheelmen are concerned, might be solved by the laying of asphalt strips, but after a thorough discussion of the subject it was decided that on account of the crowded condition of Chicago's thoroughfares strips would be impracticable, and that the only way in which the wheelmen and drivers of light vehicles, as well as the drivers of trucks and other heavy vehicles, could be subserved would be by the construction of smooth streets from curb to curb.

The matter finally assumed such impor

From curb to curb.  
The matter finally assumed such importance to the minds of the wheelmen generally that two weeks ago a joint meeting was held of the Chicago consulate of the League of American Wheelmen and the delegates to the Associated Cycling Clubs. It was the sense of the meeting that the proper and logical way of proceeding with the work of agitation in favor of good pavements would be to promote in every way possible the laying of a smooth pavement on the street only.

As there was, and is, a great need of a smooth connecting street between the north and south divisions of the city, Dearborn street was chosen as the one best suited for the purposes of the riders of bicycles and the drivers of light vehicles. A joint committee to carry on this work was accordingly appointed as follows:

Chairman—Frank W. Moulton.

From the Associated Cycling Clubs—A. W. Roth, Simon Mayer, G. K. Barrett, John Siman, F. B. Davidson.

From the League of American Wheelmen—C. E. Randall, R. G. Fisher, J. R. Pollock, W. H. Arthur, E. H. Talbot.

All of these are widely known for their prominence in whatever pertains to the best interests of wheelmen, and it was felt that their appointment would meet with the approval of the cyclists generally.

Chicago Chronicle - 10/10/1897

An individual named E. H. Talbot was a member of a joint committee regarding asphalt streets for bicycles  
It is reasonable to conclude this is Edward H. Talbot from the Medinah Temple



Following is the account of Fred Patee's work in the present League of American Wheelmen campaign as given in the Peoria Journal in a recent issue:

"The contest over the Illinois consulship of the League of American Wheelmen waxes hotter and hotter. W. H. Arthur, the Chicago vice-consul who seeks the scalp of Fred Patee of this city, cannot find a Peorian who will run on his ticket for secretary. In the meantime Patee is carrying the war into the heart of the Illinois Cycling club, Arthur's own club in Chicago.

"He left a paper in Chicago the other day to be signed by ten wheelmen indorsing his candidacy in the district and the following names have been attached: W. A. Davis, ex-chief consul and member of the Illinois Cycling club; Hurley B. Ayers and N. H. Van Hicklen, both ex-chief consuls; Thomas Gordon, Nicholas Trivers, Thomas Kero and Thomas Petteratz, all members of the Illinois Cycling club; E. H. Talbot, manager of Medinah Temple; John M. Locke and Do Witt Avery, league veterans; H. A. Howland, paying teller, and the following additional officers of the First national bank John A. Dillon, general manager; Percy H. Gordon, assistant teller; Fred E. Skovnote, teller; Otto Knutrap, collection clerk.

"These indorsements show that the Peorian is making heavy inroads in the very heart of the Arthur territory and the expectations of his friends are up to concert pitch."

Chicago Daily News - 10/14/1897  
E. H. Talbot is the Medinah Temple manager

# VALUES HAVE GONE UP

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**Property and Trade Benefited by  
the Union Loop.**

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## WABASH AVENUE IS ALIVE

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**Rentals on the Street Have In-  
creased 25 Per Cent.**

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**Merchants Talk of the Large Volume  
of Trade This Has Brought  
to Their Doors.**

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Between the Wabash avenue of two years ago and the Wabash avenue of today there is no comparison. Two years ago a few private carriages, a string of cable cars, and a sprinkling of fashionably dressed shoppers was all that kept the street from appearing deserted. Today Wabash avenue is filled with a mass of traffic, while the sidewalks are crowded by throngs of people. At certain times of the day it compares favorably with State street.

What has wrought this wonderful change in a down-town thoroughfare? Ask any store-keeper on the street, or any real estate agent handling property along its borders. He will tell you the greatest improvement which has come to a Chicago street in recent years is due, solely and entirely, to the Union Elevated loop.

**E. H. Talbot & Co.**—We can see no great change in the Medinah temple. Certainly the Union loop has not hurt us. Our building is full and we have many applications for space. I lay any increased desire for rooms in the building, however, to good times coming on.

**H. N. Higginbotham**—I consider the loop a



The Medinah Temple (credit: chicagology.com)  
Wells is along the left with Jackson along the right





1898 Birds Eye View

The Medinah Temple is located below the rail tracks to the left-center of the image with the four peaked columns

Note: The Continental Building, mentioned later in this documents, is the red building on LaSalle to the right of Quincy





## **International Hypothecate Bank**

The best known chronology for the bank:

12/11/1896 - Bank was incorporated in Dubuque, IA

1/7/1897 - First and only indication that the bank was headquartered in the Medinah Temple.

1/9/1897 - First reference that the bank was trying to purchase the Medinah Temple

3/4/1897 - First reference to E. H. Talbot being the property manager of the Medinah Temple.

Objective: General mortgage banking business, act as agent, receiver, attorney, and assignee, and issue debentures based on municipal loans not exceeding \$200 million.

It's unknown whether the bank opened an office in the Medinah Temple and Edward H. Talbot had an opportunity to become the property manager, or whether Edward was already the property manager and secured office space for the bank.

The directors were:

Henry A. Cors (also spelled Corris)

James J. Horch (also spelled Hoch, Horchal)

Edward H. Talbot

Charles Stickney

Edgar L. Wells

J. T. Darling

J. W. Ihve (also spelled Ihne, F. W. Ihno)

All are from Chicago. Cors and Horch are referred to as the "incorporators". Cors was a former banker in Germany, and is the probable president of the bank. He is also called a "prime mover of the scheme".

Talbot and Stickney are the "active promoters".

Ihno is a mining engineer well-known in the West.

Principal place of business was initially referred to as Dubuque, IA. However, later articles claim this was to take advantage of liberal Iowa laws, and that Chicago is the real headquarters. One article (the only actual office location) refers to the Medinah Temple.

Global offices would be opened in London, Paris, Berlin, and Amsterdam.

French name: Banque Hypothecaire International

German name: Hypothekan Bank

Authorized capital: \$10 million with \$1 million issued. At least 50% will be paid up before the business is started. Comment was made that the bank will be backed by foreign capital. Comment that a "good share" of the \$10 million already taken up and that nothing will hinder commencement of business in January.



Referred to as the only such bank in the United States. Modeled off such banks that exist in Europe.

Stand between laboring man and the chattel mortgage shark and pawnbroker. Send immigrant money abroad and handle foreign money sent here for investment.

After the charter was granted, Cors quoted as modeling the bank on the Credit Foncier of France and other similar European institutions.

After the charter, further details refer to making and negotiating loans, upon which the bank may give its guarantee of payment as collection; to purchase and hold real estate; to borrow money and issues its own obligations; execute trusts; issue debenture bonds, which may be secured by a pledge on real estate mortgages or bonds.

Generally, the bank would introduce the mortgage loan system of Europe for the purpose of obtaining money from Europe for investment at low rates of interest.

One article, emphasizing they are not endorsing the "Chicago plan", explained a "credit foncier bank" as loaning money at a low rate on land, secured by a first mortgage, for a long term of years (25-75 years). The Chicago model, as the article refers, is to loan money on farm lands for a minimum of 25 years and not more than 75 years, at not over 4 percent with a fractional part of the annual interest payments set aside as a sinking fund.

That same article explained that a bank cannot loan at 4 percent unless it borrows money at not more than 3 percent, which will find plenty of takers. 1% profit is deemed sufficient to pay bank expenses.

The article referred to the "promoters" of the bank, without specifically naming Edward Talbot, are seeking official supervision, which is the banking custom.

An article in January 1897, when the bank was originally scheduled to commence business, did not refer to European offices. Rather, it stated that the bank would operate in branches in several "states" with each state government asked to regularly inspect the books.

With regard to European banks, the article commented that the institution loans its money on the long-term mortgages, which it holds as security on which it issues long-term debenture bonds. The debentures are offers to investors. New loans are made with the money brought in through this process.

In September 1898, an Arkansas newspaper referred to the bank as trying to start business in the state.

## **DIRECTORS ARE CHICAGO MEN.**

### **The International Hypothecate Bank Is Incorporated.**

Articles of incorporation of the International Hypothecate bank were filed yesterday at Dubuque, Iowa. The incorporators are W. A. Cors, James J. Horch and others of Chicago. The authorized capital is \$10,000,000.

It is provided that there shall be issued at the opening of business \$1,000,000 of stock, of which at least 50 per cent shall be paid up. Until the annual meeting the present directors are Henry A. Cors, James J. Horch, Edward H. Talbot, Charles Stickney, Edgar L. Wells, J. T. Darling and J. W. Ilve.

Little seems to be known of the promoters of the scheme. The men whose names appear as directors are said to have little financial strength. Edward H. Talbot is down in the directory as a manager and lives in the top flat of a brick building at 557 Division street. Charles Stickney two months ago lived in flat 31 at 100 22d street, but moved and since then has been lost to the directory. J. T. Darling lives modestly at 63 15th street, and says he knew nothing of the company's methods and only allowed his name to be placed with the others as director for the sake of filling out the list. Edgar L. Wells is put down as a real-estate dealer and lives at 4724 Evans avenue. Henry A. Cors, given as plain agent in the directory, lives at 97 Michigan street.

Article Published in The Chicago Record  
December 12, 1896

Edward H. Talbot lives at 557 Division

## **A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.**

**The Only One of Its Kind In This Country.**

CHICAGO, 12.—The Herald says:

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Provision has already been made for branches to be established on all the bourses of Europe and forthwith at London, Paris, Berlin and Amsterdam. Of the \$10,000,000 authorized capital, \$1,000,000 is to be subscribed and \$500,000 paid up before the bank begins business. A good share of the

\$1,000,000 is said to have been taken up already and that there is nothing in the way to hinder the commencement of business in the coming month. Of the incorporators F. W. Inne is a mining engineer and expert, well known throughout the West. Mr. Inne said:

"The business intentions of the company as stated are correct. I am under the impression that no similar institution has ever been started in this country, although there are several in Europe, I believe, modeled in a similar plan which have proved to be a great success. I think the company will choose its officers and open for business during the latter half of January, and if not then certainly in the early part of February."

Henry A. Cors is mentioned as the probable president of the new bank.

Article in the Deseret evening news (Great Salt Lake City, Utah)  
December 12, 1896



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## DEFEATS MORTGAGESHARK

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Article in the Topeka State Journal (Topeka, Kansas)  
December 15, 1896

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Announcement  
January 1897 Edition  
Dickerman's U. S. Treasury Counterfeit Detector and Banker's & Merchant's Journal

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Announcement  
January 1897 Edition  
The Banker's Magazine

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## **BANKING PROJECT IS LAUNCHED.**

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### **Chicagoans Incorporate at Dubuque an International Concern.**

Dubuque, Iowa, Dec. 11.—Special Telegram.  
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H. Talbot, Charles Stickney, Edgar L. Wells,

J. T. Darling, and J. W. Ihne, all of Chicago,  
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thecate Bank. The principal place of busi-  
ness is Dubuque, and the authorized capital  
is \$10,000,000. One million dollars is to be  
subscribed and \$500,000 is to be paid up on  
the beginning of business. The articles are  
attested by L. A. Koester, notary, of Chicago.  
A general mortgage banking business is to  
be transacted and branches are to be estab-  
lished in London, Paris, Berlin, and Amster-  
dam. The company is authorized to issue  
debentures not exceeding twenty times the  
authorized capital.

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Chicago Inter Ocean  
12/12/1896



## BIG BANK IS ORGANIZED.

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J. T. Darling, the only one of the Chicago directors of the new international bank who could be located last night, could give little information as to the big enterprise proposed.

"As I only gave my name to help fill out the directorate, I cannot tell the plans of the organizers," said he. "I only know that the

men mean business, and that the project is strictly bona fide. A foreign banking business will be done, and the bank will be backed by foreign capital. Messrs. Cors, Talbot and Stickney are the active promoters. Mr. Cors was formerly a banker in Germany, and while a newcomer in Chicago, is a business man of great ability."

**AN INTERNATIONAL BANK.**

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**Incorporated in Iowa to Do a General  
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Left - New York Times (12/12/1896) / Right - Tacoma Daily News, WA (12/12/1896)

## **INTERNATIONAL HYPOTHECATE.**

### **New Financial Institution with a Capital of \$10,000,000.**

A charter was received yesterday for the establishment of what is to be known as the International Hypothecate Bank. The authorized capital of the concern is fixed at \$10,000,000, of which the by-laws provide there shall be issued at the commencement of business at least \$1,000,000. The bank was incorporated under the laws of Iowa, its official place of business being at Dubuque, but the principal center of operations is to be Chicago. Henry A. Corn is the prime mover in the scheme. His idea is to establish a bank modeled after the Credit Foncier of France and other similar European financial institutions. The general nature of the business to be transacted as set forth in the by-laws is to make and negotiate loans, upon which the bank may give its guarantee of payment as collection; to purchase and hold real estate; to borrow money and issue its own obligations therefor; execute trusts; issue debenture bonds, which may be secured by a pledge on real estate mortgages or bonds and, in brief, to introduce the mortgage loan system of Europe in this country for the purpose of obtaining from Europe money for investment at low rates of interest. The general affairs of the corporation are to be managed by a board of seven directors. Its office will be in the Medinah Temple building.

Chicago Inter Ocean (1/7/1897) - Office in the Medinah Temple



### **Medinah Cycling Co and Riding Academy and Vanderkloot & Talbot**

The 1897 Chicago Directory shows that Edward H. Talbot and Marinus A. Vanderkloot were the proprietors of a company known as "Vanderkloot and Talbot" in the business of bicycles at the Medinah Temple.

It is presumed that this is how Edward Talbot became the property manager of the building through an introduction to the Shriners organization by the Vanderkloot family. The family operated an iron works company at 26th and Halsted (Bridgeport) and was involved with the construction of the Medinah Temple.

Note: This business is not listed under Talbot, but Edward Talbot is listed as a "manager" at the Medinah Temple without reference to the bicycle company.

The 1896 Chicago Directory does not show any Vanderkloot bicycle business (Marinus is also not listed), but the brother who runs the ironworks company is living at 42nd and Wabash, while Hannah Talbot (Edward's mother) is living at 41st and Wabash.

The 1898 Chicago Directory also does not list any bicycle company.

A third-party website with a list of bicycle manufacturers includes the company with the date of 1898 without further information.

The business is listed as 179-181 Jackson without reference to any particular room within the Medinah Temple. Based solely on the 1906 insurance map and the 1897 Chicago Directory as listed, it would appear that the business was located on ground level on Jackson at the edge of the building towards LaSalle.

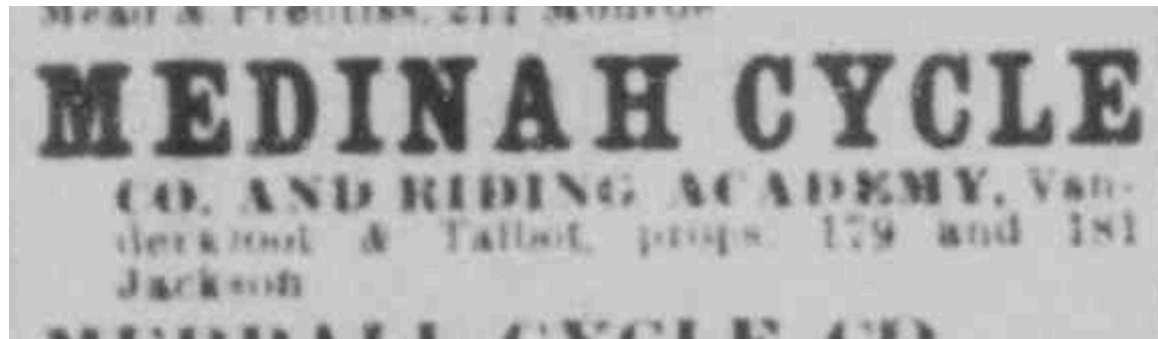
All known offices associated with the Medinah Temple Company and Edward Talbot use 237 5th Ave as the address with a corresponding room number.

However, it would appear that the building was being used as sample rooms for manufacturer agents, which could also reflect a bicycle company. However, that should have been identified as a room within the building.

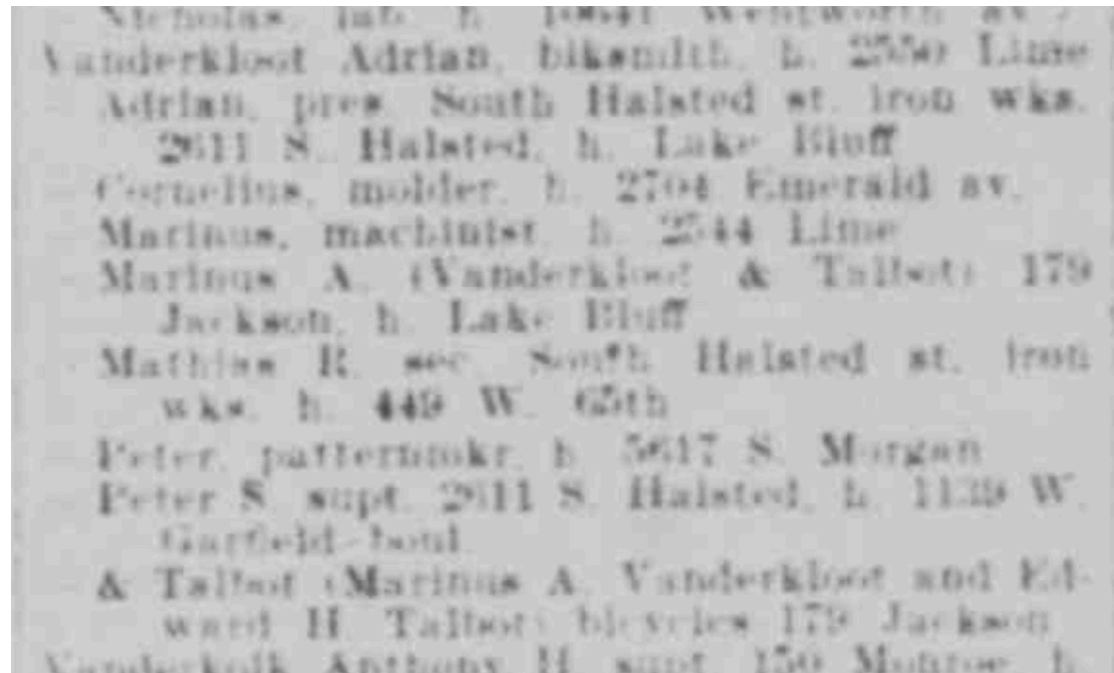
Marinus Vanderkloot founded "The South Halsted Street Iron Works" at 2611-25 S. Halsted in 1872 (originally located at Chicago & Leavitt under the name Burnett, Vanderkloot & Co). The business moved to 26th and Halsted in the same year.

Marinus Jr. worked as a bookkeeper. When the father died in 1891, Marinus Jr became secretary/treasurer. His brother Mathias replaced him in 1896. Marinus returned to the company in 1900 as vice-president.

The Vanderkloot business is credited with construction of the Medinah Temple.



1897 Chicago Directory listing for "Bicycles"  
Vanderkloot & Talbot are the proprietors of the Medinah Cycle Co. and Riding Academy



1897 Chicago Directory showing entries for Marinus Vanderkloot and Vanderkloot & Talbot (the business is not listed under Talbot)

## Possible reason for Edward H. Talbot's departure from the Medinah Temple in 1900

### WANT RECEIVER FOR MEDINAH.

#### Bill Is Filed to Restrain Foreclosure on Fraternity Building.

A bill was filed and suppressed in the Superior court yesterday asking for a receiver for the Medinah Temple property and also an injunction to restrain the Illinois Trust and Savings bank from foreclosing the mortgage which it holds upon the property. The bill states that the Medinah Temple company has never been an actual or legal corporation. It says that the company has never been legally incorporated, but that all its proceedings have been in violation of the law. In support of this contention the bill asserts that out of the 5,000 shares which were supposed to have been subscribed when the company was organized only 1,168 were bona fide subscriptions. The injunction was issued by Judge Stein today, and made returnable Monday.

The Illinois Trust and Savings bank is the trustee for the persons holding the

bonds of the Medinah Temple. In February, 1894, the erection of the building was stopped on account of lack of funds. At that time the directors decided to issue \$400,000 worth of bonds in order to continue the work. These bonds were secured by a trust deed on the property and effects of the Medinah Temple company. The bill states that the payments on the 1,168 bona fide shares of stock were the only security for these bonds and that the contractors who took the bonds as payment for their work were aware of that fact. The result claimed is that in all cases the bonds were taken for less than par and in most cases for less than 50 cents on the dollar, compelling the directors to make contracts at extremely high figures.

When the erection was stopped by the lack of funds it is said that A. M. Eddy, being himself a capitalist, though he was a director combined with others to speculate in the purchase of the bonds at a mere nominal figure. He is also charged with being one of those who urged the Illinois Trust and Savings bank to institute foreclosure proceedings resulting in his being appointed receiver. Others who are charged with obtaining their large interests in the stock and bonds of the company either as speculators, contractors or capitalists are: Samuel I. Pope, George M. Moulton, Robert S. Holdeman, Adrian Vanderkloot, John R. True and Minard Beers. They are accused of having co-operated with A. M. Eddy in reducing to as low a figure as possible the fictitious bonds and pretended stock of the company.

Chicago Daily News - 11/17/1900

The year 1900 appears to be the last reference to Edward H. Talbot's involvement with the Medinah Temple. In November of that year, there were claims that the company itself had never legally been incorporated and required a receiver



## Chicago Car Ferry and Lighterage Company

Known Duration: 5/11/1904 - 1/26/1905

An individual named Edward H. Talbot incorporated a business called the Chicago Car Ferry and Lighterage Company. There are multiple cross references that suggest this was Michael E. Byczek's 2x-great-grandfather. Family knowledge supports the conclusion that Edward H. Talbot was running such a business near the end of his life. Details about the International Hypothecate Bank confirmed Edward H. Talbot's identity because the company was associated with the Medinah Temple. That association was cross-referenced with Edward H. Talbot's residence at 6550 S. Woodlawn in Chicago. Unlike the International Hypothecate Bank, nothing is known about the personal details for this particular Edward H. Talbot.

On balance of probabilities, Michael E. Byczek has concluded that his 2x-great-grandfather Edward H. Talbot was the founder of this business. However, more information is needed to verify this conclusion. Everything about this company refers to E. H. Talbot, with one exception. The initial incorporation referred to both "E. H. Talbot" and "Edward H. Talbot" along with "J. J. Rooney" and "John J. Rooney". During Kittie Talbot's lifetime, she and her husband had a business partnership with Kittie's brother John (31st and Canal). Their daughter Marie Talbot lived with her uncle John Rooney after Edward's death in 1908 until her marriage to Martin Flanagan in 1922. While there are multiple Edward Talbot and John Rooney individuals in Chicago at the same time, the fact that both names are associated with this company is highly likely to be accurate. It is reasonable to conclude that Edward H. Talbot asked his daughter's uncle John Rooney to invest in the company.

The business seems to have only existed from 1904-1905. These were the two years that Edward lived in Lakeview and North Center on the north side, which was very unusual for him. The company was operating along the river at Ontario with business activity as far north along the river as near Lakeview. This would appear a strong indication that Edward moved to the north side because something unusual had happened during these two years, which coincides with the company. Michael E. Byczek has verified that Edward was living in the Lakeview and North Center neighborhoods during these two years, versus a coincidental name.

The River freight depot was along the east side of the Chicago River near Erie.

E. H. Talbot had his office at the freight depot at Kingsbury and Ontario.

After E. H. Talbot was replaced as president, the office was 45 W. Adams.

There are three time periods at which this company began to conduct business.

E. H. Talbot was the president when the corporation was started in May 1904 with a plan to start business in June 1904. There are not any indications that the company actually began in June.

Another newspaper article announced that the company was going to start on 12/1/1904 with E. H. Talbot as president.

Nothing further is known about the company until another newspaper article on 1/8/1905 that the company would start the following day with J. Johnson as president.

Something happened between 12/1/1904 and 1/9/1905 where E. H. Talbot went from president to vice-president. Shortly after, the company completely vanished.

Beginning in 1905, E. H. Talbot was referred to as "vice-president", "manager", and "director".

The last known existence of the company was a journal article published on 1/26/1905.

Nothing further is known until the Illinois Attorney General moved to dissolve the corporation in 1921, probably for lack of activity or procedural reports.

### **Chronology**

Incorporated 5/11/1904 (Final Certificate issued 12/10/1904)

Capital: \$2,500 (date of incorporation); \$200,000 (as of 5/28/1904)

Incorporators: E. H. Talbot (Chicago Tribune shows Edward H. Talbot), Joseph Grossman, J. J. Rooney (Chicago Tribune shows John J. Rooney)

Purpose: Interchange traffic on waterways

#### 5/7/1904 (Economist)

"Recently" an unnamed company proposed a lighterage business and to conduct a car ferry on the Chicago River. Afterwards, "Hibbard, Spencer, Bartlett & Co" started a company called "Merchants' Lighterage Company" using their existing boat for lighterage with plans to extend their business with another boat.

This business was considered "experimental". They had started business a year ago and have handled 100,000 tons of freight. They cannot handle everything, don't have a schedule, but run their boat all day making 10 or 12 trips.

The article also states that E. H. Talbot organized the "Car Ferry and Lighterage Company" and will have seven boats and two tugs in commission to handle all kinds of freight to all local points without many details having been released. The company is negotiating a dock location.

#### 5/11/1904

Corporation filed.

#### 5/27/1904 (Railway Age)

E. H. Talbot is credited with proposing a lighterage system on the Chicago River 14 years earlier (1890). Article claims that Talbot had failed to convince the railroads, but is now the president of a company to do the same.

12 boats. Six have steam power. The other six will be used as tow-boats or barges. Each having 250 ton capacities. All 12 boats planned to be placed into commission in June 1904.

Boats have been commissioned to carry six cars and will be used to interchange loaded cars between railroads and industrial concerns. The present boats will receive and discharge less than carload freight at convenient points along the river.

Some of the 24 dockage sites are located in private buildings abutting the river. Other sites will involve building platforms to be accessible by firms not located on the river.

The company has convinced companies to consider building freight tunnels to the river or seek river sites.

Company will receive freight from private firms, break it, and deliver in accordance with directions from railroads.

Objective is enormous savings to shippers. Presently, to deliver one full load of freight to five railroads one must employ five wagons, with each taking half a day to make the trip. Railroads will save money through smaller receiving stations.

Plan to have dockage connections with all railroads in Chicago and to place all on equal footing.

5/28/1904 (Chicago Eagle)

E. H. Talbot is the president

Revolution in the method of delivery and interchange of freight in Chicago.

Begin operations June 1st with 12 boats put into commission on Chicago river to receive and deliver freight between rail carriers and their patrons.

Each boat has 250 tons burden each. Half are equipped with steam power. These boats (not sure if all 12, or just the steam powered ones) are only for less than car load freight or merchandise. Company has contracts for constructions of two car ferries, each 250 feet long to carry six loaded freight cars.

Have plans to establish one large union transfer station on the river where freight can be taken, bulk broken and deliveries made to connecting roads and steamship companies to reduce congestion at railroad freight houses.

Expects to reduce congestion of traffic in Chicago streets by 50% within a year. Claim that Chicago is losing its prestige as a distributing center due to congested streets and transfer expense.

Make deliveries of merchandise between manufacturers and jobbers and between carriers and their patrons.

Secured sites for 24 interchange freight stations on the river between Belmont (north), California (west), and 39th (south). The most easterly station is at "the north pier".

12/1/1904 (Decatur Newspaper)

Decatur: E. H. Talbott (two T's) is president of the company. Began operations today (Thursday).

Two lighterage boats (each 500 tons burden). Spans Fullerton (north) to Campbell (west).

With three exceptions, all railroads have docks upon the river. Many wholesale houses and manufacturing companies have river dockage.

12/10/1904

Final Corporate certificate issued. Unclear how this would have impacted business activity by not having the final certificate.



#### 1/8/1905 (Chicago Tribune)

A "new company" called the Chicago Car Ferry and Lighterage Company with offices at 45 W. Adams will be ready to handle freight the following day (1/9/1905).

At first, the steamer "J. C. Suit" will be used. Negotiations underway for one more.

The president is J. E. Johnson. The company was formed to handle public business to railroad and steamboat docks and warehouses.

Note: This was seven months after the company was incorporated by Edward H. Talbot. It is unclear why the company is being described as "new". Since Edward is not mentioned at this point, perhaps he was removed from the company and new people were trying to change the image of the company rather than acknowledge Edward started the company seven months earlier. It was supposed to have started business in June 1904. This article suggests that the company first conducted business on 1/9/1905. Refer to the Decatur newspaper that suggested the company, with E. H. Talbot as president, began operations on 12/1/1904. Also refer to the State of Illinois that indicates the final corporate certificate was issued 12/10/1904. It is possible that the company was shut down, delayed, or otherwise did not open as planned. This could be the reason by Edward H. Talbot was removed as president.

#### 1/12/1905 (Engineering news)

Freight station opened at Grand and Erie. Other stations will be established. Advantage is instead of different wagons being sent with freight to different railways, a wagon can deliver a "miscellaneous load" at one river station where it will be sorted and distributed.

The river service is maintained by steam barges or lighters and the system is entirely independent of any railway or steamboat line.

E. H. Talbot is the vice-president and manager. J. G. Johnson is the president.

#### 1/13/1905 (Railway)

On 1/9/1905, placed into commission a boat of 150 tons and opened a freight depot on east side of river between grand and Erie. Freight of all kinds (except perishable goods) will be received for all points on the river between Fullerton (north) and Campbell (west).

Cost is 5 cents per hundred pounds. The minimum is 25 cents for one consignment. 3 cents per hundred pounds on consignments of 20,000 plus pounds.

Will open other receiving depots later.

#### 1/26/05 (Iron Age)

Offices at 39-45 W. Adams. J. H. Johnson is the president and treasurer. E. H. Talbot vice president and manager. C. W. Lamborn, is the secretary.

From river freight depot, it will deliver to ten of the leading railroads entering Chicago as well as the steamboat docks.

10 miles from Fullerton to Campbell. At the dock, patrons can load their freight in a miscellaneous way and deliver it in full truck loads. Considered an "experiment".

1905 (Illinois Corporations)

Principal Office: 45 W. Adams

President or Manager: John G. Johnson (603 60th Pl)

Secretary: Charles W. Lamborn (47th and Grand)

1905 (Directory of directors)

E. H. Talbot: Office is Ontario and Kingsbury. VP, Manager, and Director.

Ellis Morris: Office is 84 Washington. President, Treasurer, and Director (also the president and director of the Hastings Express Co.).

## NEW INCORPORATIONS.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE AT SPRING-  
field yesterday granted licenses to the following  
corporations:

Bly Manufacturing company, Chicago; \$6,000;  
manufacturing glue and paste; Frank B. Dyche,  
Francis A. Riddle, May G. Kent.

Metzine Medicine company, Chicago; \$5,000;  
manufacturing proprietary medicines; Rippleau  
N. Baylies, Oscar S. Baylies, Alanson C. Noble.

Chicago Commercial and Specialty company,  
Chicago; \$1,000; manufacturing and mercantile;  
Alfred W. Hopkins, G. M. Treell, L. H. Meyer.

Chicago Car Ferry and Lighterage company,  
\$2,500; interchanging traffic on waterways; Ed-  
ward H. Talbot, Joseph Grossman, John J.  
Rooney.

## NEW ILLINOIS CORPORATIONS.

Special Dispatch to The Inter Ocean.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 11.—The following cor-  
porations were licensed today:

Bly Manufacturing company, Chicago; capital,  
\$6,000; manufacturing glue; incorporators, F. B.  
Dyche, F. A. Riddle, May G. Kent.

Metzine Medicine company, Chicago; capital,  
\$5,000; manufacturing medicine; incorporators, R.  
N. Baylies, O. S. Baylies, A. C. Noble.

Chicago Car Ferry and Lighterage company,  
Chicago; capital, \$2,500; interchange traffic on  
waterways; incorporators, E. H. Talbot, Joseph  
Grossman, J. J. Rooney.

Chicago Commercial and Specialty company, Chi-  
cago; capital, \$10,000; manufacturing; incorpora-  
tors, W. H. Hopkins, G. M. Terrell, L. H. Myer.

Top: Chicago Tribune / Bottom: Chicago Inter Ocean (both 5/12/1904)  
One shows E. H. Talbot while the other shows Edward H. Talbot (also with J. J. Rooney and John J. Rooney)

## **NEW FREIGHT LINE FOR RIVER.**

The Chicago Car Ferry and Lighterage Company, which recently was organized with a capital stock of \$200,000 and of which E. H. Talbot is president, has in view a revolution in the method of delivery and interchange of freight in Chicago. The company will begin operations about June 1, when twelve boats will be placed in commission on the Chicago river, receiving and delivering freight between lake and rail carriers and their patrons.

In time, if the plan is successful, it is expected to establish one large union transfer station at some convenient point on the river where freight can be taken, bulk broken and deliveries made to connecting roads and steamship companies, thereby relieving the congestion which railroads now suffer at their freight houses.

It is stated that the company also expects to relieve by at least 50 per cent the congestion of traffic in Chicago's streets within a year and later to reduce it still further. It is expected to make deliveries of merchandise between manufacturers and jobbers as well as between carriers and their patrons.

The twelve boats which are now almost ready to go into service are of 250 tons burden each, and one-half of them are equipped with steam power.

These boats are for the transfer of less than car load freight or merchandise. The company has, however, let contracts for the construction of two car ferries, each 250 feet long and capable of carrying six loaded freight cars.

The new company has secured sites for the establishment of twenty-four interchange freight stations on the banks of the river between Belmont avenue on the north, California avenue on the west and Thirty-ninth street on the south, the most easterly station being at the north pier. It is stated that for ten years Chicago has been losing a great deal of her prestige as a distributing center owing to the congested condition of the streets and the expense of the transfer at this point.

The Chicago Eagle  
May 28, 1904

Note: E. H. Talbot is the President

Plan to launch June 1st with 12 boats

Plan to build two car ferries

Secured 24 freight stations on the river from Belmont (north), California (west), and 39th St (south) with a station at "north pier"



## **FREIGHT TRANSFER BY BOAT.**

### **Chicago Concern Will Make Use of the River.**

Chicago, Dec. 1.—The Chicago Car, Ferry and Lighterage company, of which E. H. Talbott is president, will begin operations on the Chicago river today, when two lighterage boats, each of 500 tons burden, will be put into commission. The boats will ply between Fullerton avenue on the north and Campbell avenue on the west, a distance of about ten miles. It is the hope of the company to eventually be able to receive and deliver a large portion of Chicago's merchandise by boats. With three exceptions, the railroads centering here have docks upon the river, and many of the wholesale houses and manufacturing companies possess river dockage.

The Daily Review (Decatur, Illinois)  
December 1, 1904

Note: E. H. Talbot is still the President

Began operations on December 1st (six months ahead of schedule).

Two boats are ready.

Operating between Fullerton (north) and Campbell (west) for 10 miles.

**New Lighterage System for Chicago.**—Mr. E. H. Talbot who some 14 years ago proposed to establish a lighterage system on the Chicago River, but who did not succeed at that time in interesting the railroads in the matter, is now president of a company which has practically completed arrangements for such a service. The organization is incorporated under the name, the Chicago Car Ferry & Lighterage Company, and it is capitalized, it is stated, at \$200,000. Twelve lighterage boats of 250 tons capacity will be placed in commission early in June. Six of the boats are equipped with steam power; the other six will be used as tow-boats or barges. The service at present contemplates the receipt and discharge at convenient points along the river of less than carload freight, but orders have been given for two car ferries, each 250 feet long, of 6-car capacity, and these will be used for the interchange of loaded cars between railroads and between railroads and industrial concerns. For the lighterage service 24 dockage sites have been secured on the banks of the river between Belmont avenue on the north, California avenue on the west and Thirty-ninth street on the south.

Some of these are located in the buildings of private concerns abutting the river; but in other instances platforms will be built, which shall be accessible to firms not located on the river. It is asserted that the project has already induced private firms to consider the erection of freight tunnels to the river, and that it has caused other firms to seek river sites. It is the plan of the lighterage company to receive miscellaneous freight from private firms and to break and deliver it according to direction to the various railroads and vice versa. It is believed that this service will result in enormous saving to the shipper who, under present conditions, if he wishes to deliver what would make one full load of freight to five railroads, must employ five wagons, each of which is likely to be engaged half a day in making the trip. It is claimed that railroads also will be saved much of the expense now attending the handling of freight through small receiving stations. The company proposes to have dockage connections with all railroads in Chicago and to place all roads on an equal footing.

## **WILL MOVE FREIGHT ON RIVER.**

### **Company Incorporated to Do General Transfer Business with Steam Lighters.**

The success of the lighterage systems operated on the Chicago river during the last few years by private concerns for handling their own business has led to the formation of a company to handle public business to railroad and steamboat docks and warehouses. The new company, which will be in readiness to handle freight Monday morning, will be known as the Chicago Car Ferry and Lighterage company, with general offices at 45 West Adams street. At the beginning, the steamer J. C. Sult will be employed, and negotiations are about completed for another steamer of the same capacity. J. E. Johnson is president of the company.

Chicago Tribune  
January 8, 1905

J. E. Johnson is the President (just one month ago, E. H. Talbot was the president)  
The company also seems to have taken a different direction. It's going into business January 9th (paper is from Sunday).  
One boat is being used with another being planned.  
Offices are now located at 45 W. Adams.

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A CHICAGO RIVER LIGHTERAGE SERVICE has been instituted as a means of improving the freight transportation facilities of the city. A freight station has been opened at Grand Ave. and Erie St. and other stations will be established where freight can be received, delivered and distributed as desired, and where freight can be received from and for all railways having water facilities. Instead of different wagons having to be sent with freight to the different railways, a wagon can deliver a miscellaneous load at one of the river stations where it will be sorted and distributed. It is expected that this will materially reduce the amount of teaming required by individual firms. The river service is maintained by steam barges or lighters and the system is entirely independent of any railway or steamboat line. It is operated by the Chicago Car Ferry & Lighterage Co., of which Mr. J. G. Johnson is President and Mr. E. H. Talbot, Vice-President and Manager.

Article in the Engineering News  
Edition for January to June 1905.

Note: E. H. Talbot is the Vice-President, J. G. Johnson is the President  
Freight Station was opened at Grand and Erie.



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**A Chicago River Freight Service.**—A new company has been formed in Chicago, known as the Chicago Car, Ferry & Lighterage Company. Its offices are at 39 to 45 W. Adams street and its officers are J. G. Johnson, president and treasurer; E. H. Talbot, vice-president and manager, and C. W. Lamborn, secretary. The company is opening up a freight depot on the east side of the north branch of the Chicago River between Erie street and Grand avenue, where it will receive freight for all points for delivery to ten of the leading railroads entering Chicago, as well as the steamboat docks. Its lighters will travel from between Fullerton avenue on the north branch to Campbell avenue on the southwest branch of the Chicago River, a distance of 10 miles. Provisions are to be made in the central depot for sorting freight, permitting the patrons to load their freight in a miscellaneous way and deliver it in full truck loads. The charge for river service is 5 cents per 100 pounds for ordinary lots and 3 cents per 100 pounds in consignments of 20,000 pounds and upward. The experiment is looked upon with great interest by Chicago shippers, as, if successful, it will greatly facilitate the transfer of freight to and from the roads accessible to the lighterage line.

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Article in the Iron Age  
Edition for January to June 1905

Note: E. H. Talbot is the vice-president and manager.  
J. G. Johnson is the president and treasurer  
C. W. Lamborn is the secretary

Referred to as an "experiment"

**TALBOT, E. H., Ontario and Kingsbury Streets.**  
**Chicago Car, Ferry & Lighterage Co., Vice-President, Manager and**  
**Director.**

**MORRIS. ELLIS, 84 Washington Street.**  
**Chicago Car Ferry & Lighterage Co., President, Treasurer and Director.**  
**Hastings Express Co., President and Director.**

Entries in the Directory of Directors for the City of Chicago - 1905

Note:

E. H. Talbot is the Vice-President, Manager, and Director working at Ontario and Kingsbury  
Ellis Morris is the President, Director, and Treasurer - Office at 84 Washington (he is involved with another business, so this could be a personal office)

### *Uncertainty*

Elisha H. Talbot was a well-known publisher of railroad material and used the name "E. H. Talbot". He was older than Edward and moved to New York around the time Edward H. Talbot started using the name "E. H. Talbot". Elisha H. Talbot turned to travel publications, as indicated by the 1897 and 1898 Chicago Directories (under "Travel"). His business address was Room 1100, 324 Dearborn. These two directories only show "E. H. Talbot", but the 1898 Directory shows "Elisha H. Talbot" and that he lives in New York, suggesting there was a Chicago Office for this company. This creates an uncertainty because the "E. H. Talbot" Railroad map (below) may involve somebody who lived in New York using a Chicago office.

### *Talbot's Industry and Railroad Map of Chicago*

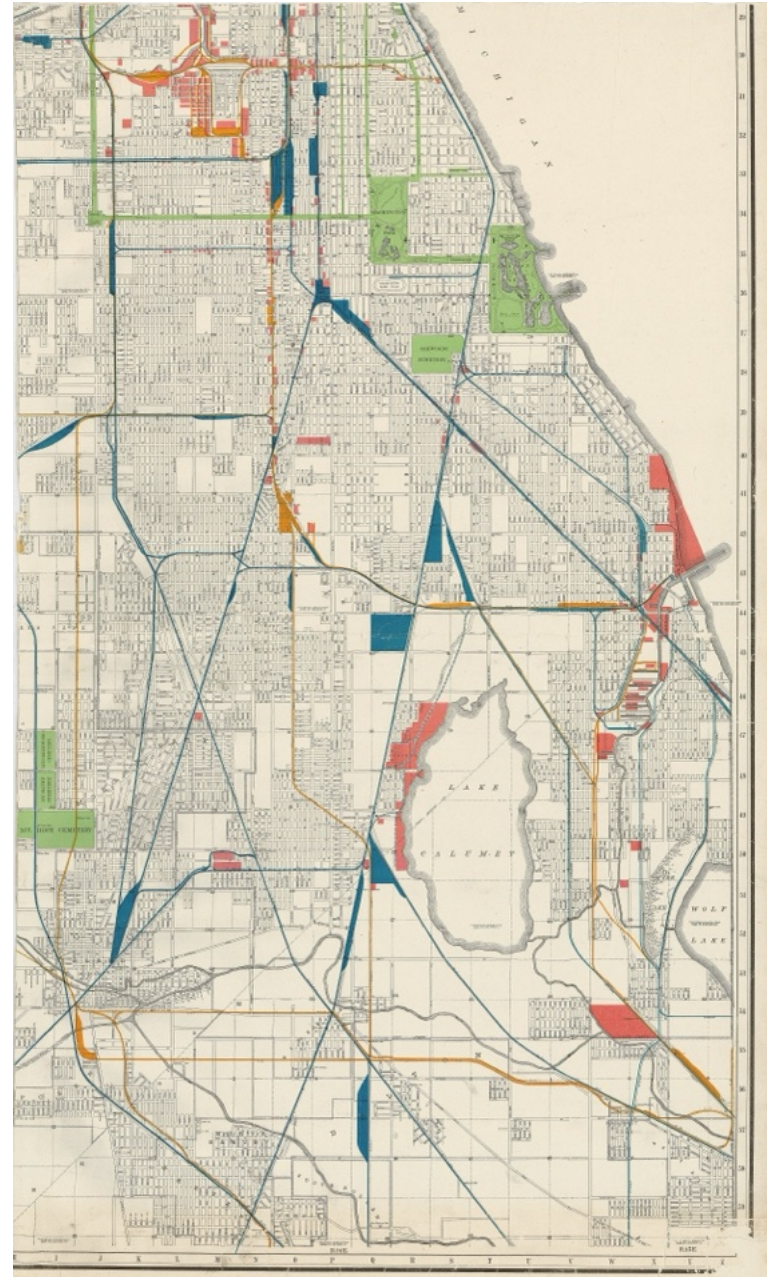
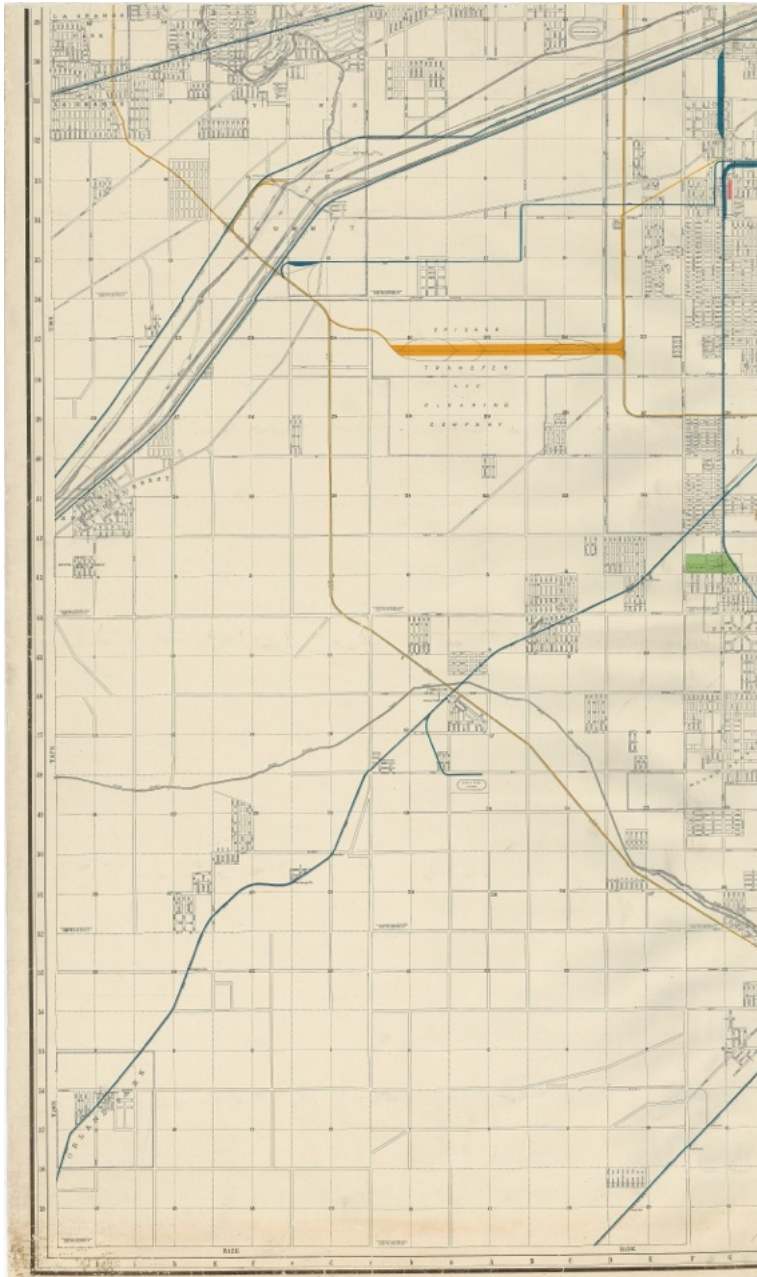
In 1904, somebody named E. H. Talbot with an office in the Continental National Bank Building (218 La Salle St) published a map based upon the 1902 Rand McNally Map of Chicago. The objective of the map appears to show property occupied by the jobbing trade, other manufacturers and industries, trunk line railroads, connecting and terminal railroads, railroads operated by industries, and public parks and boulevards along with streets, elevated roads, and street car lines.

This coincides with the Chicago Car Ferry and Lighterage Company. It is unknown where Edward H. Talbot had a personal office. The Continental National Bank Building was nearby to the Medinah Temple, and this particular address is unknown with regard to the other E. H. Talbot. There was an Elisha H. Talbot who was involved with railroad publications and a printing business for travel material. However, it would appear plausible that this map was associated with the freight company. Michael E. Byczek has concluded, on balance of probabilities, this map was most likely used by his 2x-great-grandfather for the lighterage business.













Continental Bank Building  
(Doesn't exist anymore)

Perspective is standing on the corner of LaSalle and Quincy.  
Looking down Quincy to the left and LaSalle to the right  
Adams is the right-most street

This is the office location for the E. H. Talbot Map in 1904.  
Clue is that the Medinah Building is on the corner of Jackson and Wells  
Medinah is basically Quincy and Wells.

This is Quincy and LaSalle

The two buildings are effectively on the same city block.  
Edward is confirmed to have had an office in Medinah in 1900.

This is only four years later.

Also, Edward's brother William worked in the Rookery  
from 1902-1903 (at least). The Rookery is directly across the  
street from the Continental Bank Building (literally) on LaSalle.









1916 Birds-eye View of the River.  
The arrow indicates what should be the mid-point of Erie and Grand.





1906 Sanborn Map  
Chicago River between Erie and Grand.  
Note: Grand Bridge appears to have been Indiana (not sure)

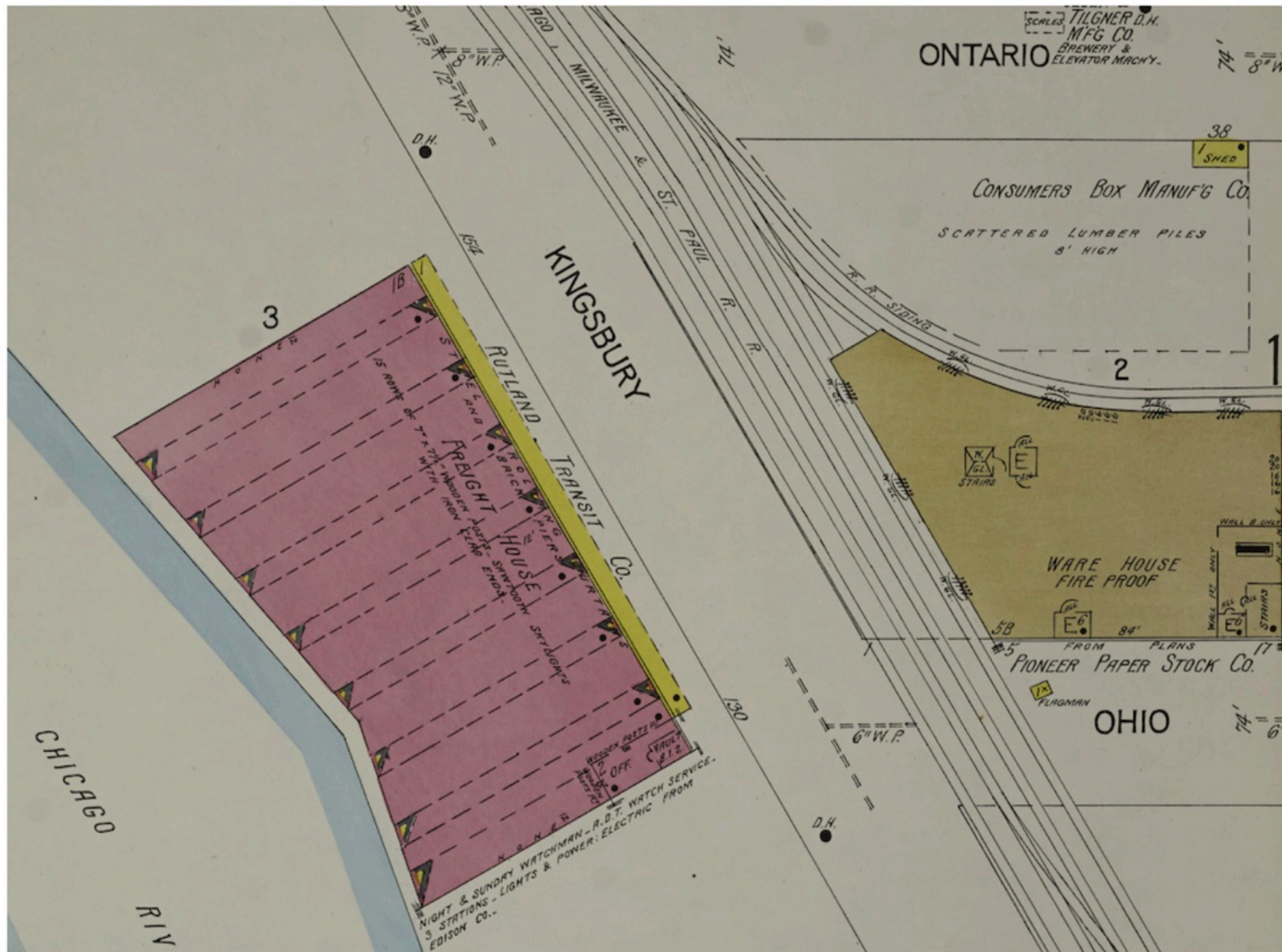
The articles refer to the company operating between  
Erie and Grand.

In 1906, there is a Freight Depot right in the middle  
along Kingsbury.

The company operating that depot is "Rutland Transit Co".  
Perhaps, they took over the company in 1905.

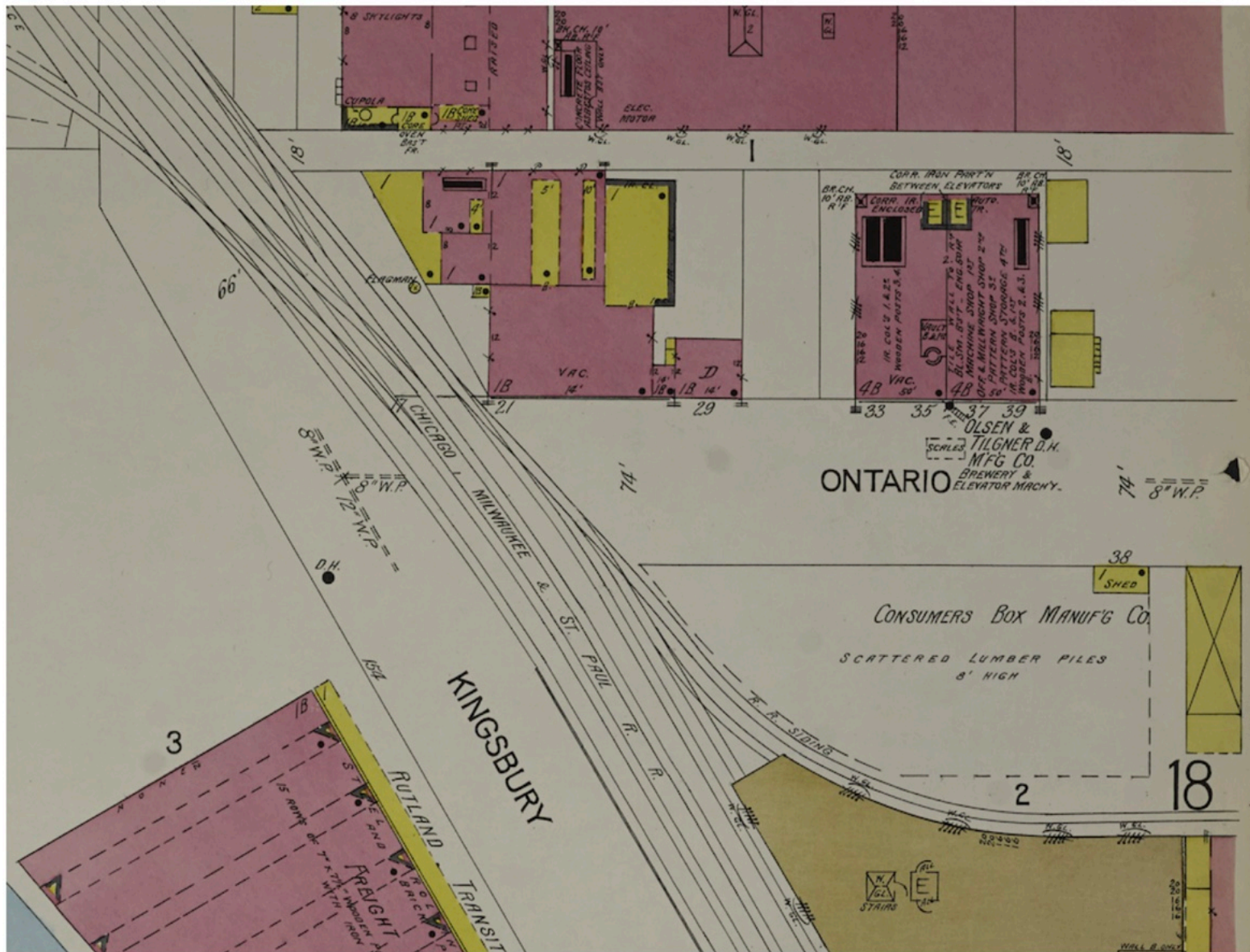
E. H. Talbot is listed as having an office at  
Kingsbury and Ontario, which is basically this building.

The map shows an office within the complex.

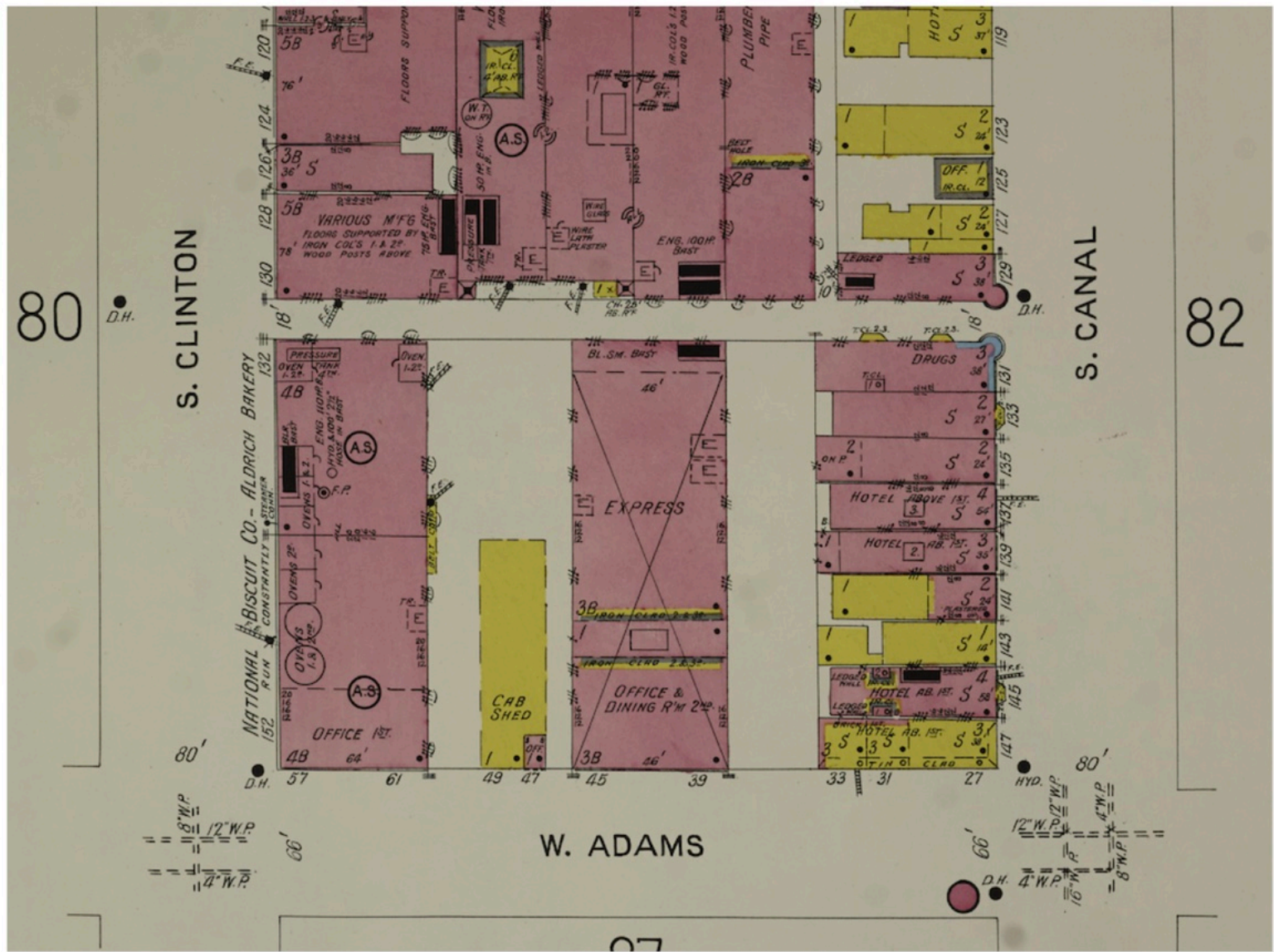


Zoom View of the Building.





The intersection of Ontario and Kingsbury, suggesting the office was within the Transit Company complex



1906 Sanborn Map showing 45 W. Adams (between Canal and Clinton)



Edward clk h 1379, 31st pl  
Edward H h 3600 Wabash av  
Edward J police h 624, 32d  
Edward J signalman h 281 W 25th

1901 Chicago Directory

The address of 3600 Wabash is reasonable to presume is accurate, since the Talbot family home was located at 4132 S. Wabash at the time

Edward clk h 1379, 31st pl  
Edward A engraver 9 Yeaton  
Edward H promotor h 950 W Garfield boul  
Edward J police h 624, 32d  
Edward J signalman h 281 W 25th

1902 Chicago Directory

The address of 950 W. Garfield is verified

Edward clk h 1379, 31st pl  
Edward A engraver 26, 184 Dearborn h 673  
S Rockwell  
Edward H promotor h 950 W Garfield boul  
Edward J police h 624, 32d  
Edward J signalman h 281 W 25th

1903 Chicago Directory

Same as 1902

Edward clk h 1379, 31st pl  
 Edward A engraver 26, 184 Dearborn h 673  
 S Rockwell  
 Edward H promoter h 2275 N Hermitage av  
 Edward J police h 624, 32d  
 Edward J signalman h 281 W 25th  
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Edward N ins-soler 530, 159 LaSalle

#### 1904 Chicago Directory

The address of 2275 N. Hermitage is verified

This is the first indication that Edward is living on the far north side, which is unusual for him and his entire family  
 This is the same year that the Lighterage company is established, which suggests a reason why Edward moved to a new neighborhood

Edward clk h 1379, 31st pl  
 Edward police h 624, 32d  
 Edward A engraver 25, 184 Dearborn h  
 584 S Turner av  
 Edward H promoter h 2123 N Hoyne av  
 Edward J police h 624, 32d  
 Edward J signalman h 281 W 25th

#### 1905 Chicago Directory

The address of 2123 N. Hoyne is nearby, and is presumed to be accurate  
 These are the only two years that Edward is verified to have lived in this area (Lakeview and North Center neighborhoods).  
 It is also the only two years that the Lighterage business is known to have existed.

## **Chicago Heights Improvement Company**

Chicago Heights, IL

Known Duration: 10/4/1906 - 4/18/1907

It is unconfirmed, but most likely, that the E. H. Talbot associated with real estate development in Chicago Heights was Edward H. Talbot. Michael E. Byczek has verified that his 2x-great-grandfather was living in Chicago Heights at the time. The Talbot family was not otherwise associated with Chicago Heights, suggesting more than a coincidence.

The Chicago Car Ferry and Lighterage company disappeared in 1905. Edward H. Talbot is absent from the Chicago Directories for 1906 and 1907, when all indications are that he was conducting business in Chicago Heights.

Charles Wacker (namesake of Wacker Drive in Chicago, IL) was the President of the company. He was also the director of the Chicago Heights Land Association. Birger Osland was the Secretary of the company, a known business partner of Charles Wacker. The manager of the sales department was E. H. Talbot. These three names are the only known names associated with the company.

Everything about this company other than a few newspaper ads is unknown at present.

It is unknown whether E. H. Talbot moved from Chicago to Chicago Heights through an ordinary job interview or whether he was involved with the company itself. It seems unusual that Charles Wacker just hired Edward H. Talbot randomly. There may have been a connection, such as through Edward's experience as the property manager of the Medinah Temple. It is unclear whether Edward H. Talbot was simply working at this company or whether it should be considered a business venture in partnership with Charles Wacker.

One of the newspaper ads refer to an office at 91 Seventeenth St in Chicago Heights, IL.

Collectively, the newspaper ads state:

55 houses on Parnell Ave, Arnold St, Portland Ave, Fifth Ave, and the vicinity.

\$100,000 invested by the company to provide homes for Chicago Heights.

The "agent" can be found on Portland Ave between 13th and 14th St.

When 10 homes were left (4/18/1907), a "last call" was made. Any house left unsold on 5/1/1907 will be rented instead.

The sales agencies of McEldowney & Co, W. H. Donovan, and the Chicago Heights Savings Bank were referred to along with E. H. Talbot.

# Invitation to the Public

The Chicago Heights Improvement company has now almost completed fifty-five houses on Parnell avenue, Arnold street, Portland avenue, Fifth avenue and vicinity.

One hundred thousand dollars are being invested by this company for the benefit of the city of Chicago Heights to provide homes for its people.

We invite the closest investigation and our agent may be found at all times on Portland avenue, between 13th and 14th streets. He will be pleased to show you around whether you buy or not.

These houses have six rooms, toilet room inside, maple floors throughout, woodwork finished in Mission oak, Old English, Golden oak, Eorest green or Yellow pine, beautiful gas fixtures, commodious porches and everything of first-class material and workmanship and up to date.

It is a gentleman's house at a price and on terms that places it within the reach of any workingman.

Commence now to save money in this way, provide your family with a permanent home, and don't pay rent any longer.

A considerable number of these houses are sold already. Come at once and have your choice.

A small cash payment will secure you one of these houses. The balance you pay the same as rent and at the end of a few years YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SHOW FOR YOUR MONEY.

## Chicago Heights Improvement Company

CHARLES H. WACKER, Pres.    BIRGER OSLAND, Sec'y

E. H. TALBOT, Mgr. Sales Dept.

Chicago Heights Star  
October 4, 1906

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We have not tried to build a cheap house, but an up-to-date, durable and comfortable one.

How would you rather invest your savings; by putting them into a very cheap house, or into a very good one?

These houses are all built by skillful and reliable contractors under the most rigid control of our own superintendent.

## Chicago Heights Improvement Company

CHARLES H. WACKER, Pres.    BIRGER OSLAND, Sec'y  
E. H. TALBOT, Mgr. Sales Dept.

Chicago Heights Star  
October 25, 1906

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# Chicago Heights Improvement Company

*CHARLES H. WACKER, Pres.      BIRGER OSLAND, Sec'y*

*E. H. TALBOT, Mgr. Sales Dept.*

CHAS. H. WACKER, President

BIRGER OSLAND, Secretary

## Chicago Heights Improvement Co.

### SALES AGENCIES:

McEldowney & Co.

W. H. Donovan

Chicago Heights Savings Bank

Governor Hogg of Texas in a speech once truly said: "When a man fails to buy a home he stands in his own light; he inflicts a cruel wound upon his family, brings on himself severe burdens of distress and loses the opportunity of better citizenship. In times of sickness, when rents are due and cannot be paid, he may not find neighborly indulgence and sympathy, but instead thereof the cold hand of a heartless, avaricious landlord."

Last fall we built 55 houses; we have 10 left to dispose of. We told you they were built upon honor. Now you may go and see the happy purchasers about it. Prices have gone up since last year. We have not raised our prices and our houses are more of a bargain than ever.

### THIS IS THE LAST CALL

After May 1, 1907, the houses then remaining unsold will be rented to good tenants.

For particulars apply to above sales agents and

**E. H. TALBOT**

91 Seventeenth Street

Chicago Heights Star  
April 18, 1907

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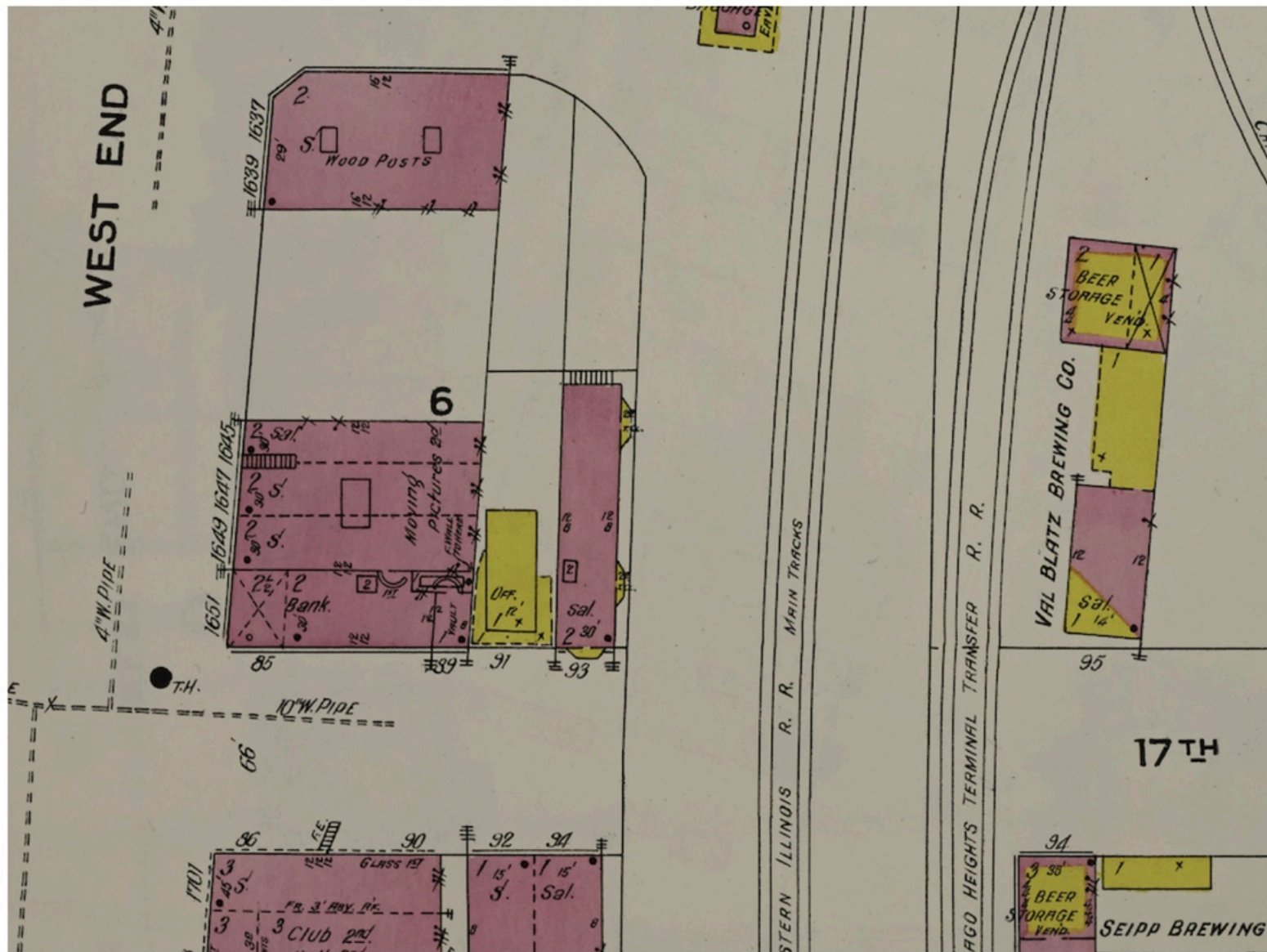
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Edward J signalman h 281 W 25th

1906 Chicago Directory

Edward appears to be absent for the 1906 and 1907 directories, which matches the conclusion that he was living in Chicago Heights

Edward clk h 1379, 31st pl  
Edward police h 624, 32d  
Edward J signalman h 281 W 25th

1907 Chicago Directory



1911 Sanborn Map showing 91 17th  
 Note: West End (left) appears to be present day Halsted

## **Paradise Park Amusement Company**

Chicago Heights, IL

The E. H. Talbot associated with this project is presumed to be Edward H. Talbot. The real estate development project with Charles Wacker had just ended and it is presumed that Edward remained in Chicago Heights looking for new opportunities.

It would appear that the Paradise Park Amusement Company was created to build an amusement park in Chicago Heights, IL.

E. H. Talbot and N. W. Fletcher (both appear to be from Chicago Heights) along with other capitalists secured 40 acres of land. Talbot and Fletcher are described as the originators and prime movers of the scheme. They planned to open the first phase of the park by September and have the project fully completed in the spring.

Unclear if Edward Talbot was an owner of this company, or just a promoter.

Details about the building permit refer to a "number of buildings" that include a one-story casino (50x135 feet) of frame and plaster construction.

Described as a miniature White City, which was a term used at the time for amusement-like gathering spaces.

Land was located west of Euclid Ave between 26th St and the creek.

Irving W. Kelley is at work on plans for a number of buildings, to be built for the Paradise Park Amusement Company in Chicago Heights, represented by Fletcher & Talbot of that place. The buildings include a casino, one story, 50x135 feet, of frame and plaster construction. The same architect has revised plans for a two-story department store and hotel building, 82x85 feet, to be built for McEldowney & Co. of Chicago Heights.

The Economist: A Weekly Financial, Commercial, and Real Estate Newspaper  
Edition for August 24, 1907



The following is a copy/paste textual version of the original newspaper article in the Chicago Star on August 8, 1907  
The original cannot be obtained online in digital format.

## WHITE CITY

Chicago Heights to Have Amusement Park located southwest of the city. Company Gets Control of Forty Acre Tract-Work to Be Begun at Once Chicago Heights is to have an amusement park. E. H. Talbot and N. W. Fletcher of this city, in conjunction with several Chicago capitalists, have secured 40 acres of land southwest of town, a portion of what is known as the Kirgis farm, and will begin at once, it is said, the building of a miniature White City. Plans for the main buildings are being prepared by Irving W. Kelly, the architect and will be completed within a week. John Keasl of this city will have charge of the landscape work, which insures picturesque grounds. The tract of land is an ideal one for the purposes for which it has been secured. It is endowed with natural beauty, being well-wooded. It extends from a short distance west of Euclid avenue extended on both sides of Twenty-sixth street to the creek. Mr. Talbot and Mr. Fletcher, who are the originators and prime movers in the park scheme, while not prepared to give accurate details, said the place when completed would be one of the handsomest amusement parks in or about Chicago. The buildings will be of attractive design, and the grounds in keeping with the landscape artist's ideas. There will be many attractions, the demands for concessions already being surprising. It is thought that the Chicago Heights Street Car company will extend its line to the park as a means of transportation to and from the downtown district. While the park will serve primarily as a resort for Chicago Heights people it is also expected that it will be made frequent use of by Chicago societies and others for picnic purposes. It is the intention of the promoters to have a portion of the park opened by the middle of September, and the entire place completed ready for business in the spring. Chicago Heights has long been in need of an amusement attraction of this sort, and there is no reason to doubt the success of the undertaking if it is properly carried out and managed.

## **Talbot Amusement Company**

It is presumed that the Edward Talbot associated with this project is Michael E. Byczek's 2x-great-grandfather Edward H. Talbot. All indications are that Edward H. Talbot was trying to build an amusement park in Chicago Heights right before this project. Edward died a few months later and was listed as both real estate and a promoter at the time of his death.

The only reference to this company was events that took place on 1/8/1908. Edward H. Talbot died in August.

The objective of this business was to build an amusement park to rival that of Coney Island in New York.

Two people are involved, Edward Talbot and Fred Funk. One article refers to them collectively as residents of Chicago Heights.

There are only three known newspaper articles about this company, which was incorporated in New York, according to one of the articles. One article is just a repeat, which means there are just two. These two articles contain different details.

Two articles from 1/9/1908 have conflicting details. The Indianapolis Star refers to E. Talbot and Fred Funk securing an option to purchase 80 acres near Lake George near Hammond, Indiana. The Chicago Inter Ocean states that the land was transferred to the "Talbot Amusement Company". This article refers to Edward Talbot. It is unknown whether the land was legally acquired or just an option.

## **ROBY TO RIVAL CONEY ISLAND.**

**New Amusement Park Is Planned on  
Shore of Lake—Tract of Sixty  
Acres Secured.**

A new amusement park planned to out-rival anything in that line in Chicago is projected on a tract of land along the shore of Lake Michigan, near Roby, Ind. The tract, containing sixty acres, was transferred yesterday to the Talbot Amusement company, a New York corporation. Edward Talbot and Fred Funk are at the head of the concern.

The plans are to construct an amusement resort on the scale of Coney Island. Arrangements will be made to run special trains from Chicago.

It is understood that the resort will be ready for business next summer.

Article in the Chicago Tribune  
January 9, 1908

## **INDIANA TO HAVE CONEY**

### **WHITE CITY'S RIVAL PLANNED**

**Promoters Secure Options on Tract Near  
Hammond, Where They Propose to  
Build Great Pleasure  
Resort.**

HAMMOND, Ind., Jan. 8.—Plans are on foot to make Hammond the Coney Island of the West.

E. Talbot and Fred Funk of Chicago Heights, Ill., are the promoters and have secured options on a sixty-acre tract surrounding Lake George. Lake George is located two miles south of Lake Michigan near the Roby race track and in the opinion of Talbot is an ideal place. Seventy-five per cent of the patronage is expected to come from Chicago.

Mr. Talbot expects to make the place a more attractive one than White City in Chicago and to add features that are not now in Coney Island, New York. A half million dollars is to be expended in the beginning on amusements alone. The place is to be kept open the year around.

Indianapolis Star (1/9/1908)

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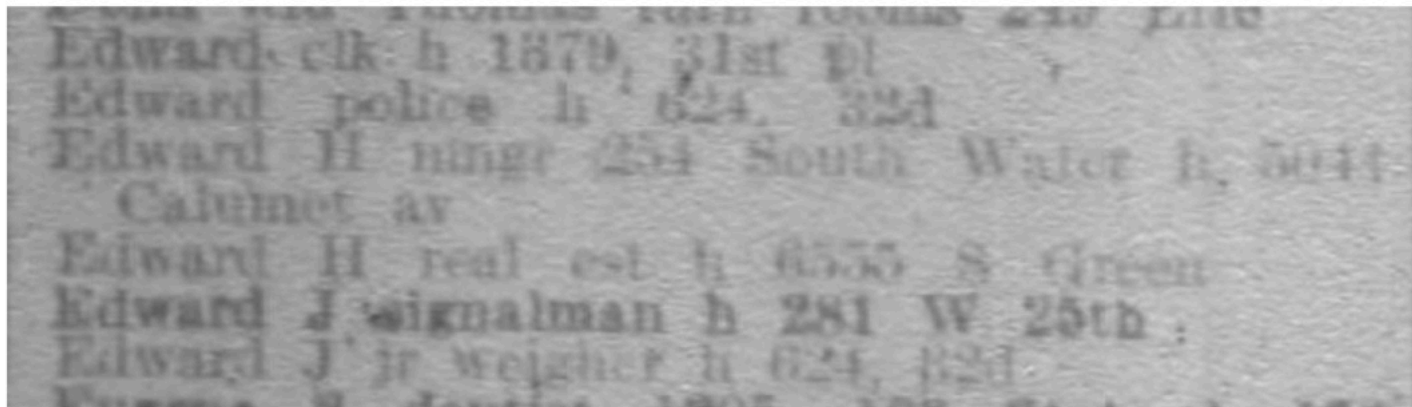
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1/17/1908 - The Bristol Banner (Indiana)



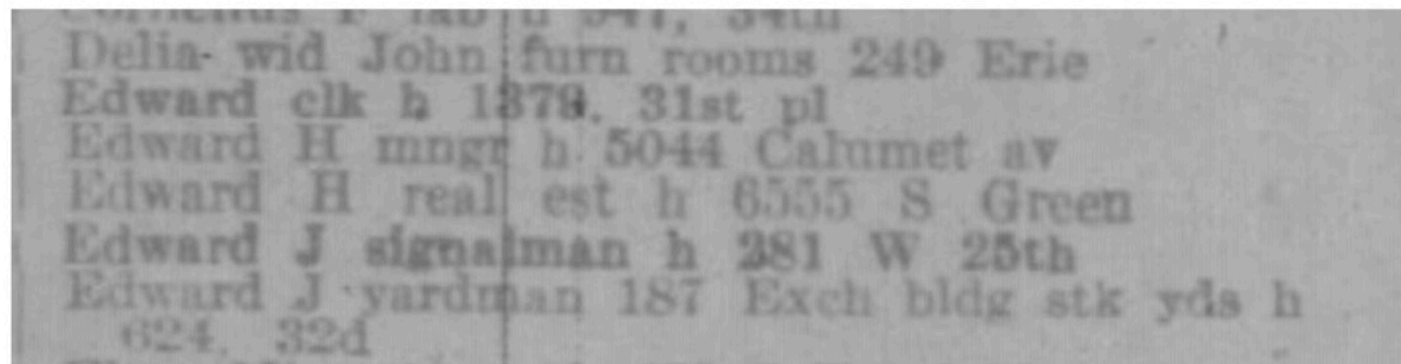


1908 Chicago Directory

Edward H. Talbot passed away in 1908 while living at 6555 S. Green.

His return to Chicago matches the conclusion that he was only briefly working in Chicago Heights while launching multiple new real estate ventures

However, this directory listing shows that there is another Edward H. Talbot in Chicago at the same time who is also a manager



1909 Chicago Directory

Edward is still listed at 6555 S. Green, despite having passed away the year earlier

## Coincidental Name of E. H. Talbot in Chicago



Chicago Inter Ocean - 7/15/1889

A different E. H. Talbot was also involved with interchange freight in Chicago (not Michael E. Byczek's 2x-great-grandfather)

E. H. Talbot, who is well-known in railroad and journalistic circles as the founder and for many years editor and proprietor of the Railway Age, one of the most influential and successful class publications of recent years, has permanently located in Indianapolis as president and manager of the Oral Advertising Corporation with branch offices in all the important cities.

The Indianapolis Journal - 8/4/1902

This is not Michael E. Byczek's 2x-great-grandfather and refers to the same individual as the above article from 1889  
The article is about the same time as the Chicago Lighterage and Freight Company (1904-05)

### **Additional Information**

Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney are Michael E. Byczek's 2x-great-grandparents. Their daughter Marie T. Talbot (great-grandmother) married Martin J. Flanagan at Holy Name Cathedral in 1922, the same church where her parents were married in 1880. Their daughter Marie C. Flanagan (grandmother) married Michael S. Byczek at St. Bridget's in the Bridgeport neighborhood in 1950. Their son Michael M. Byczek (father) married Betty A. Bykowski in 1974 at St. Helen's on Augusta and Oakley in Chicago. They have two children, Michael E. Byczek (the eldest) and Katherine S. Byczek, both born in the Bridgeport neighborhood.

Michael E. Byczek has been compiling actual records for the Talbot and Rooney families for over 30 years. He has gathered an extensive collection of documents. This compiled documentary is an accurate source of genealogy for Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney.

Feel free to send a message for more information or genealogy collaboration.

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6/20/2025

Expanded upon and revision of an earlier documentary about Edward H. Talbot's business ventures dated 2/2/2025.

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## The Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney Family Documentary

### *Part III: Edward H. Talbot and his 2nd wife Delia M. Talbot (Primarily covering the years 1900-1908)*

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Edward H. Talbot's first wife was Kittie A. Rooney. They were married in 1880 at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago, IL. Kittie passed away on 9/19/1899. Their children were Frank (1885), Edgar (1888), and Marie (1890). Edward and Kittie are Michael E. Byczek's 2x-great-grandparents.

Refer to Part I of "The Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney Family Documentary" for detailed genealogy about Edward and Kittie prior to her death in 1899.

One year and one day after Kittie (Rooney) Talbot passed away, Edward H. Talbot married his first cousin Delia M. Talbot in Benton Harbor, MI. Edward was 46 years old and Delia was 24 years old. The wedding took place at St. John's Catholic Church located on Catalpa and Columbus.

While documents have not been found that expressly identify Edward and Delia as first cousins, there is enough family knowledge to verify this conclusion.

Delia's parents were James Talbot and Ellen Bannon. She was born in Ballinlonty, County Tipperary (Ireland) and baptized under the name Bridget Talbot at the Drom and Inch Catholic Parish on 12/4/1875. Edward's father Thomas Talbot and Delia's father James Talbot are presumed to have been brothers.

Edward and Delia Talbot had three children:

Child	Born	Baptism	Church Location	Notes
Edward Howard Talbot	10/6/1901	Visitation	Englewood (Chicago, IL)	
Helen Loretto Talbot	1/4/1905	Our Lady of Lourdes	Ravenswood (Chicago, IL)	
Kathleen Talbot	10/26/1906	St. Agnes	Chicago Heights, IL	Baptized as Catherine Mary Talbot

Edward H. Talbot passed away at the Talbot family home located at 6555 S. Green in the Englewood neighborhood of Chicago, IL on 8/10/1908. He died of Typhoid fever. The funeral was held nearby at St. Bernard located at approximately 66th and Stewart. Edward was buried in his parent's family plot at Calvary Cemetery in Evanston, IL.

After Edward's death, Delia Talbot operated lodging rooms at 61st and State in the Washington Park neighborhood of Chicago, IL. She married John Hudson on 6/3/1914 at St. Anselm.

John Hudson and Delia Talbot had two children, Mary (1915) and Alice (1918). John passed away on 10/23/1939 at the family home located at 5810 S. Sangamon in the Englewood neighborhood of Chicago, IL. Delia (Talbot) Hudson passed away on 6/27/1951 also at 5810 S. Sangamon. Her funeral was held at the nearby Visitation Catholic Church. They are both buried in the Talbot family plot at Calvary Cemetery.

# TWELFTH CENSUS

## SCHEDULE

State Illinois

County Cook

Township or other division of county Hyde Park Township  
(Insert name of township, town, precinct, district, or other civil division, as the case may be.)

Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above-named division, Chicago

Enumerated by me on the 12 day of

LOCATION.				NAME  of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1900, was in this family.  Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any.  INCLUDE every person living on June 1, 1900. OMIT children born <i>since</i> June 1, 1900.	RELATION.  Relationship of each person to the head of the family.	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION.								
IN CITIES.		Number of dwelling- house, in the order of visitation.	Number of family, in the order of visitation.			Color or race.	Sex.	DATE OF BIRTH.		Age at last birthday.	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced.	Number of years married.	Mother of how many children.	Number of these children living.
Street.	House Number.							Month.	Year.					
		114	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
		227												

16		114	831	C. Arthur	Brother-in-law	M	M	Mar	1877	23	5		
17	4132	114	243	Talbot Hannah	Head	W	F	Sept	1827	72	4d	5	3
18				Edward	Son	W	M	July	1857	45	4d		
19													

1900 Census

Edward his living with his mother Hannah Talbot at 4132 S. Wabash

He was listed as working in real estate

Right part shown below

## BUREAU OF THE UNITED STATES.

## Form No. 1.—POPULATION.

Supervisor's District No. 1st Ell Sheet No. 13  
 Enumeration District No. 997

Name of Institution, X  
 of June, 1900, Clara M. Hunter, Enumerator.  
 Ward of city, 32

NATIVITY.			CITIZENSHIP.			OCCUPATION, TRADE, OR PROFESSION		EDUCATION.				OWNERSHIP OF HOME.				
Place of birth of each person and parents of each person enumerated. If born in the United States, give the State or Territory; if of foreign birth, give the Country only.			Year of immigration to the United States.	Number of years in the United States.	Naturalization.	of each person TEN YEARS of age and over.		Months not employed.	Attended school (in months).	Can read.	Can write.	Can speak English.	Owned or rented.	Owned free or mortgaged.	Farm or house.	Number of farm schedule.
Place of birth of this person.	Place of birth of FATHER of this person.	Place of birth of MOTHER of this person.				OCCUPATION.										
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
Illinois	France	Illinois				Telegraph Deputy	0			Yes	Yes	Yes				
Ireland	Ireland	Ireland	1848	52		N.Y.				Yes	Yes	Yes	0	F	N	
Massachusetts	Ireland	Ireland				Real Estate	0			Yes	Yes	Yes				
Ill.	Ireland	N. H.				Real Estate	0-0-5			Yes	Yes	Yes	0		20	

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Illinois	France	Illinois				Telegraph Deputy	0			Yes	Yes	Yes				16
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Massachusetts	Ireland	Ireland				Real Estate	0			Yes	Yes	Yes				18
Ill.	Ireland	N. H.				Real Estate	0-0-5			Yes	Yes	Yes	0		20	19

Edward H. Talbot and Delia M. Talbot Marriage License  
Berrien County, MI

Edward listed as a Promoter in Chicago.

The license was issued on 9/19/1900, exactly one year after  
Kittie (Rooney) Talbot passed away.

They were married the following day, which was one year and one day after  
Kittie's death.

No. 1136 **Marriage License.** 1900  
Berrien County, Michigan.

To any Person legally authorized to solemnize marriage,

### Greeting:

MARRIAGE MAY BE SOLEMNIZED BETWEEN

Mr. Edward H. Talbot and Mrs. Delia M. Talbot  
affidavit having been filed in this office, as provided by Public Act No. 128,  
Laws of 1887, as amended by Public Act No. 243, Laws of 1898, by which it  
appears that said Edward H. Talbot is 46 years  
of age, color is W., residence is Chicago, Ill.; and birthplace was  
Quincy, Mass.; occupation is Promoter; father's name  
Thomas, and mother's maiden name was Marion M. Talbot  
has been previously married 1 time; and that said Delia M. Talbot  
is 25 years of age, color is W.; residence is Chicago, Ill. and  
birthplace was Orlando; occupation is at home; father's  
name James, and mother's maiden name was Carroll  
Carroll, and who has been previously married time, and whose  
maiden name was Carroll, and whose Carroll consent,  
in case she has not attained the age of eighteen years, has been filed in my office.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto attached  
my hand and the seal of Berrien County,  
Michigan, this 19 day of September,  
A. D. 1900.

L. S.

John W. Needham  
COUNTY CLERK.

### Certificate of Marriage.

Between Mr. Edward Talbot and Miss Delia Talbot  
I hereby Certify that, in accordance with the above license, the persons  
herein mentioned were joined in marriage by me, at St. James Catholic Church,  
County of Berrien, Michigan, on the 20 day of September,  
A. D. 1900, in the presence of W. P. Cullen, of Berrien,  
and Mary Agnes Berry, of Chicago,  
as witnesses.

Rev. J. Muleady  
NAME OF MAGISTRATE OR CLERGYMAN  
Pastor of St. James Church  
OFFICIAL TITLE

\*THIS ORIGINAL must be returned to the County Clerk who issued the same WITHIN TEN DAYS AFTER THE MARRIAGE, under  
severe penalty. See back of this blank. This provision must be complied with to insure a PROPER LEGAL RECORD of the  
marriage.



No. 1136 190 8

## Affidavit for License to Marry.

STATE OF MICHIGAN,

County of Berrien } ss.

## GROOM.

FULL NAME OF GROOM.

Edward H. Talbot.Age at last birthday 46 years.

White, Black, Mulatto, Indian, etc.

Residence Chicago Ill.Birthplace Taynton Mass.Occupation PromoterFather's name ThomasMother's maiden name Kanorah McDonaldNumber of times previously married 1

## BRIDE.

FULL NAME OF BRIDE.

Delia M. TalbotAge at last birthday 25 years.

White, Black, Mulatto, Indian, etc.

Residence Chicago Ill.Birthplace Ireland.Occupation at homeFather's name JamesMother's maiden name Bannon

Number of times previously married \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden name, if a widow \_\_\_\_\_

If under 18 years of age, state whether she has a parent or guardian, whose written consent is required by law to the issue of license \_\_\_\_\_

Edward H. Talbot. being duly sworn deposes and says (or affirms)  
 that according to the best of his knowledge and belief the information above given is correct, that he  
 is acquainted with the provisions of the laws of Michigan relating to marriage, as printed on the back of this affidavit,  
 and that no legal impediment exists why himself  
 and lady may not be married under the laws of  
 Michigan.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, a Notary Public in and for Berrien  
 County, Michigan, this 9th day of September 190 8

Nora E. Blackmun  
Deputy County Clerk

NOTE.—The official should ascertain that affiant understands the full nature of this obligation, reading or having read the extracts printed on the back hereof. He will also find it advisable to secure the name and address of the clergyman or justice whom it is intended to have perform the ceremony, so that the return can be written for if not promptly filed within ten (10) days thereafter as required by law.

(Name of Clergyman or Justice.)

(Residence.)

Form 141-3-00-1000

To the Honorable Secretary of State of Michigan:

Return of Marriages in the County of *Barrie*

Record Number	Date of License			Full Name of Bridegroom and Bride, and Maiden Name of Bride if a Widow	Age of Each in Years	White, Black, Mulatto, Etc.	Residence of Each	Birthplace of Each	Occupation of Each	Name of Father of Each
	Month	Day	Year							

1136	Sept	19	1900	Edward Talbot	46	W	Chicago	Wanton Mrs. Promoter	Thos
				Lelia Talbot	25	W	Chicago	Ireland	at home James

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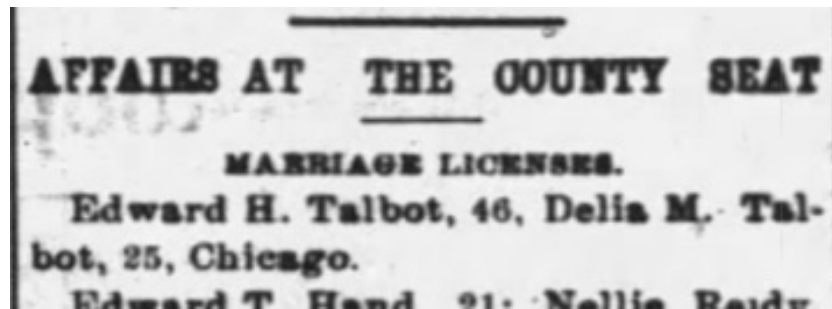
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for the Quarter Ending *September 30th* A. D. 190*0*

Maiden Name of Mother of Each	Times Previously Married	Date of Marriage			Place of Marriage	Name and Official Station of Person by Whom Married	WITNESSES TO MARRIAGE	
		Month	Day	Year			Names	Residences

Henora McDonald	1	Sept	20	1900	St Joseph	the Place	Rera Mulcahy D. J. Cullinane	Barton Harbor
Barnore						Minister	Mary Agnes	Chicago

Ledger book for return of marriage licenses



The News-Palladium (Benton Harbor, MI)  
9/20/1900

Ballinlonty Bridget of Jas Talbot & Ellen Bannan,  
Dec: 4 75. Sp. J. H. Bourke & J. H. Laffan  
Dec: 18 75. Sp. J. H. Bourke & J. H. Laffan

Delia Talbot's Baptism  
Ballinlonty (Drom and Inch Catholic Parish) - County Tipperary, Ireland

Baptized on 12/4/1875  
Date of birth not listed on the baptism record



# Edward H. Talbot's Death

Permit for Burial will be issued only on this form of Report correctly filled out with ink.

35871 H. D. 183 10M 3-1908

**BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS.**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: CITY OF CHICAGO**  
**UNDERTAKER'S REPORT OF DEATH.**

19271

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1. Name of Deceased (in full) Edward H. Talbot

2. Sex: M Color: white 3. Place of Birth Massachusetts Father's Birthplace Ireland Mother's Birthplace Ireland

4. Age: 54 years 1 months 7 days 5. Lived in Illinois 48 years, in Chicago 9 years

6. Died on the 10 day of Aug 1908 at about 9 P.M.

7. Single, Married, Widowed, Divorced. Occupation: Protonote

8. Place of Death: 6555 Green St Ward \_\_\_\_\_

9. Place of Burial Aug 13 10. Undertaker: L B A. Winlan License No. 172

Date of Burial 6 Aug 1908 Address: 3115 State Tel. Long 447

Hour 9 A.M.

**PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE OF CAUSE OF DEATH.**  
 (See "Suggestions as to the Certificate of Cause of Death," on back of Report.)

I hereby Certify, That, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the cause of death of the above named and described deceased was as hereunder written:

CAUSE OR CAUSES OF DEATH.		DURATION OF CAUSE OR CAUSES.			
Immediate and Determining	Contributing Cause or Complication	Years	Months	Days	Hours
<u>Typhoid Fever</u>	<u>myocarditis</u>				

Witness my hand, This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1908 } (Signature:) Thos. F. Maher M. D.  
 Address: 7102 Cottage Grove Av. Tel. Wentw. 2698

Edward H. Talbot Death Certificate - Version I  
 Chicago, IL

19271

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH: CITY OF CHICAGO.

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UNDERTAKER'S REPORT OF DEATH.

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 2. Sex Male Color White Place of Birth Massachusetts Father's Birthplace Ireland Mother's Birthplace Ireland  
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 6. Died on the 10 day of Aug. 1908, at about 90 M.  
 7. Single, Married, Widowed, Divorced. Occupation: Promoter  
 8. Place of Death: 6555 Green St. Ward       
 9. Place of Burial: Aug. 13 - Calvary 10. Undertaker: D. O. Quinlan License No. 172  
 Date of Burial Aug. 13 1908 Address: 3115 State St.  
 Hour 90 M. Tel. Doug.

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Immediate and Determining	Contributing Cause or Complication	Years.	Months.	Days.	Hours.
<u>Typhoid Fever.</u>	<u>Myocarditis</u>				

Witness my hand, This 10 day of Aug. 1908 } (Signature:) Thos. F. Maher M. D.  
 Address: 7102 Cottage Grove St. West. 2698

Edward H. Talbot Death Certificate - Version II  
 Chicago, IL

**TALBOT**—Edward H. Talbot, Aug. 10, 1908, beloved husband of Della, father of Frank, Marie, Edward, Helen, and Kathleen, and brother of Thomas Talbot. Funeral Thursday, 9 a. m., from his late residence, 6555 Green-st., to St. Bernard's church; by carriages to Northwestern depot, thence by cars to Calvary.

**WEED**—Mary M. Weed, mother of A. C. and

Chicago Tribune - 8/12/1908

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**WILKINSON**—August 10, 11 a. m. dearly loved

Chicago Daily News - 8/12/1908

**TALBOT**—Edward H., Aug. 10, 1908, at his residence, 6555 Green st., beloved husband of Della, father of Frank, Marie, Edward, Helen and Kathleen, brother of Thomas Talbot.

**WALL**—Elizabeth, Aug. 10, 1908, at her residence, 6555 Green st., beloved wife of Edward H. Talbot, mother of Frank, Marie, Edward, Helen and Kathleen, daughter of Thomas Talbot.

Chicago Examiner - 8/12/1908

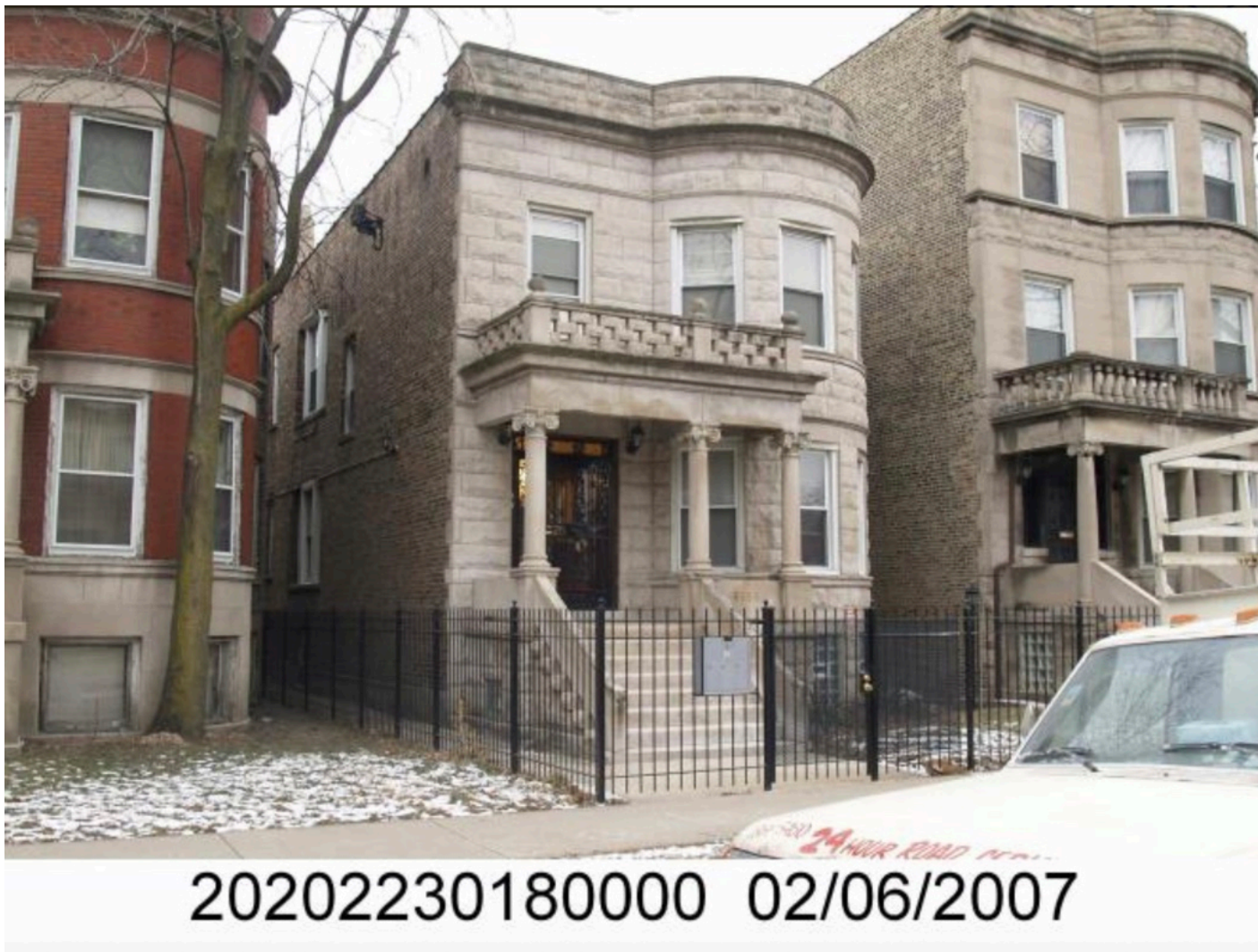
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TALBOT—Edward H. Talbot died at his residence, 6555 Green St., Monday. Mrs. Delie Talbot survives, and the following children, Edward, Helen, Kathleen, Frank and Marie. Funeral occurred yesterday at St. Bernard's church, thence to Calvary

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Chicago Englewood Times - 8/14/1908





6555 S. Green (Chicago, IL)  
Englewood neighborhood  
Cook County Assessor Online Photo

Deceased 8/13/08 Edward H. Talbot			
	Lot	Block	Section
	56	1	B
Age.	54-1-0	Died	8/10/08
At.	6555 Green St.		
Location.			

Burial Index Card - Calvary Cemetery (Evanston, IL)

Refer to Part I of "The Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney Family Documentary" for exact grave location analysis and actual photographs



# Delia (Talbot) Hudson's Death

**VSE-202**  
Based on the 1929  
Revision of the  
U. S. Standard  
Certificate of Death

**ORIGINAL # 562**

**CORONER'S CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**  
STATE OF ILLINOIS

STATE FILE NO. **42553**

DIST. NO. **2104** REG. NO.

**DECEDENT'S BIRTH NO. 1**

**1. PLACE OF DEATH**  
a. COUNTY **Cook** ILLINOIS

b. CITY (If outside corporate limits, write RURAL and give township) **CHICAGO** c. LENGTH OF STAY (in this place) **55 YEARS**

d. FULL NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION **5810 S. SANGAMON ST** e. STREET ADDRESS (If rural, give location) **5810 S. SANGAMON ST.**

f. NAME OF DECEASED a. (First) **Delia** b. (Middle) **Hudson** c. (Last)

g. DATE OF DEATH (Month) (Day) (Year) **June 27 1951**

h. SEX **FEMALE** i. COLOR OR RACE **WHITE** j. MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, WIDOWED, DIVORCED (Specify) **WIDOWED**

k. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done during most of working life, even if retired) **HOUSEWIFE** l. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY **OWN HOME** m. DATE OF BIRTH **DEC. 1 1878**

n. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) **TIPPERARY IRELAND** o. AGE (In years) If Under 1 Year If Under 28 Mtn. last birthday Months Days Hours Min.

p. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY? **U.S.A.** q. MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME **ELLEN BANNON**

r. WAS DECEASED EVER IN U. S. ARMED FORCES? (Yes, no, or unknown) **NO** s. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. **NO** t. INFORMANT a. Signature **Edward H. Galant** b. Address **1657 N. 57th St.** c. Relationship to the deceased **SON**

u. CAUSE OF DEATH  
1. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH\*  
\*This does not mean the mode of dying, such as heart failure, asthma, etc. It means the disease, injury or complication which caused death. ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR (a), (b), and (c).  
Direct cause (a) **Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease**  
b. **Known**  
c. **Not**

2. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS  
Conditions contributing to the death, but not related to the disease or condition causing death

3. DATE OF OPERATION 3b. MAJOR FINDINGS OF OPERATION

4. ACCIDENT (specify) 4b. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or about home, farm, factory, street, office bldg., etc.) 4c. (CITY, TOWN, OR TOWNSHIP) (COUNTY) (STATE)

5. TIME (Month) (Day) (Year) (Hour) 5b. INJURY OCCURRED While at Not While at Work at Work

6. HOW DID INJURY OCCUR?

7. I hereby certify that I made inquiry into the place and manner of this death, and that I find the deceased herein described died from the cause and on the date as stated above.

8. SIGNATURE **C. L. F. Jones** CORONER 9. DEPUTY CORONER **D. L. G. Webb M.O.** 10. DATE SIGNED **June 27 1951**

11. BURIAL—SEMPER OPERATIONS (date) **JUNE 30 1951** RECEIVED FOR FILING ON: **1951 JUN 29 PM 12 26**

12. PLACE **CALVARY** 13. LOCATION **EVANSTON ILLINOIS** Signed: **Sub REGISTRAR** **DEPUTY REGISTRAR**

14. Firm Name **5438 S. HALSTED STREET** LOCAL REGISTRAR: **Norman H. Bundeser** ILLINOIS CHICAGO

15. Signature **James P. Keane** License Number **F456** Reserved For State Office

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VSE-202 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH—Division of Vital Statistics and Records

Delia (Talbot) Hudson Death Certificate  
Chicago, IL

flowers.

**HUDSON**—Della Talbot Hudson, beloved wife of the late John R. Hudson, fond mother of Edward Talbot, Helen Monahan, Kathleen Albin, Mary Bainbridge, and Sister Mary Brandon, O. P., beloved grandmother of nine grandchildren. Funeral Saturday, 9 a. m., from late residence, 5810 Sangamon street, to Visitation church. Interment Calvary. Member of Third Order of St. Francis and St. James court, No. 47, W. C. O. F. Boulevard 8-0662.

**JACOBSON**—Sven Jacobson. June 26. of 4820

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### **Mrs. Delia Hudson**

Mrs. Delia Hudson, 75, of 5810 S. Sangamon st., died of a heart attack in her home yesterday. She is survived by a son, Edward, and three daughters: Sister Mary, a Catholic nun; Mrs. Mary Bainbridge, and Mrs. Kathleen Albin.

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Chicago Tribune 6/29/1951 [Both items]



TA. PLEASE OBITUARIES.  
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Chicago Daily News - 6/29/1951

LAST NAME			
HUDSON,			
FIRST NAME			
Delia			
2nd S.Line			
GR.	LOT	BLK.	SEC.
	56	1	B
HOME ADDRESS			
5810 S. Sangamon Av.			
INTERMENT DATE		AGE	
6/30/51		72	
FORM 2 REV. 9-54-W-C			

Burial Index Card - Calvary Cemetery (Evanston, IL)

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**Children of Edward H. Talbot and Delia M. Talbot**

*Talbot, Edward H.*  
*Delia M. Talbot.*  
*Talbot. Oct 6, '90*  
*Edward Howard Oct 27, 1901*

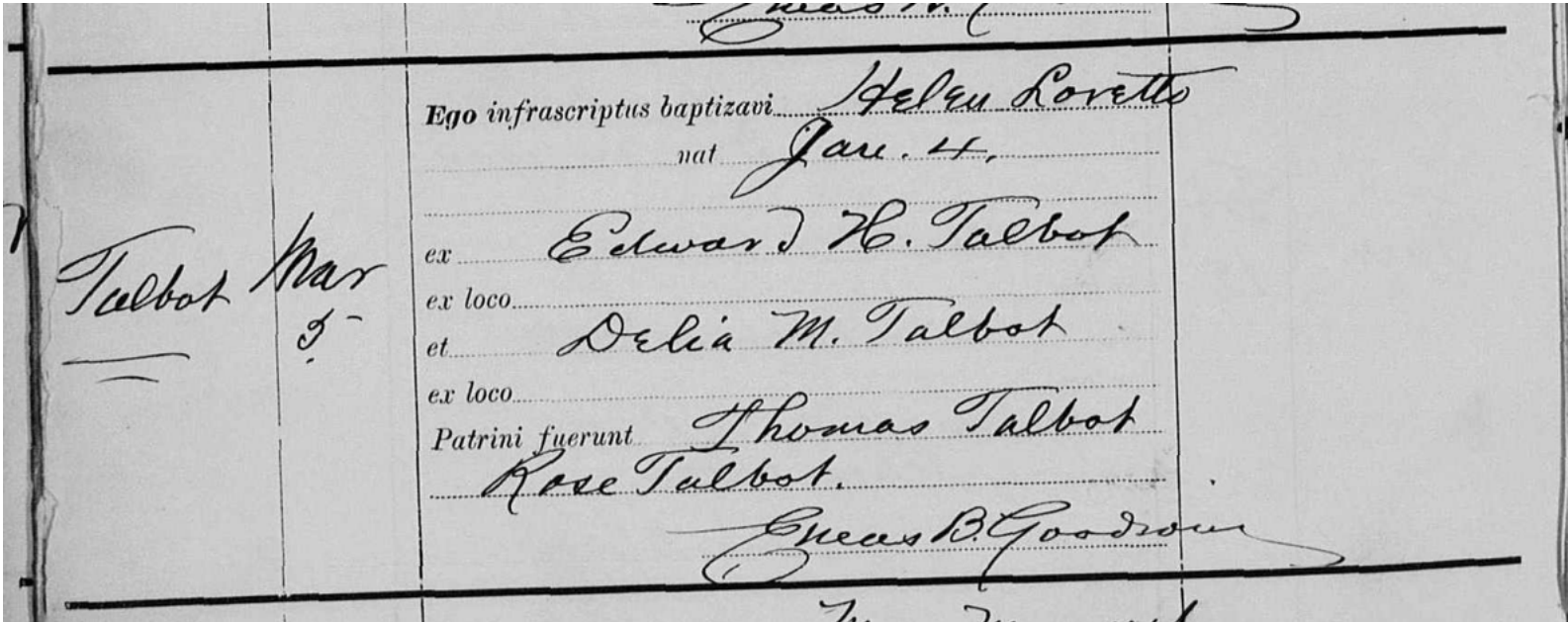
*Wm. J. Talbot.*  
*Ellen Talbot. J. E. O'Shea*

1901 Baptism for Edward Howard Talbot  
 Visitation Church (Chicago, IL)  
 Englewood neighborhood

Note: Edward, the father, is identified as Edward H. Talbot while the son is Edward Howard Talbot  
 This is a strong indication that Michael E. Byczek's 2x-great-grandfather's real name was Edward Henry Talbot, not Edward Howard Talbot I

Godparents were William J. Talbot and Ellen Talbot, presumed to be Delia's brother and sister





1905 Baptism for Helen Loretto Talbot  
Our Lady of Lourdes (Chicago, IL)  
Ravenswood neighborhood

Father's name is written as Edward H. Talbot

Godparents are Thomas Talbot and Rose Talbot  
Both Edward and Delia have brothers Thomas Talbot in Chicago. Rose is the wife of Delia's brother William.

Delia	15 Nov. 1906	16 Dec. 1906	Mary Delia	Mary Delia
✓ Catherine Mary			E. H. Talbot	Thomas Talbot
2 Talbot	26 Oct.	23 Dec. 1906	Delia Talbot	Margaret Talbot

Rev. J. C. Welsh	In Ecclesia .....	In Ecclesia .....
	Tempus .....	Tempus .....
Rev. J. C. Welsh	Locus .....	Locus .....

1906 Baptism for Catherine Mary Talbot  
St. Agnes (Chicago Heights, IL)

Father's name is written as E. H. Talbot

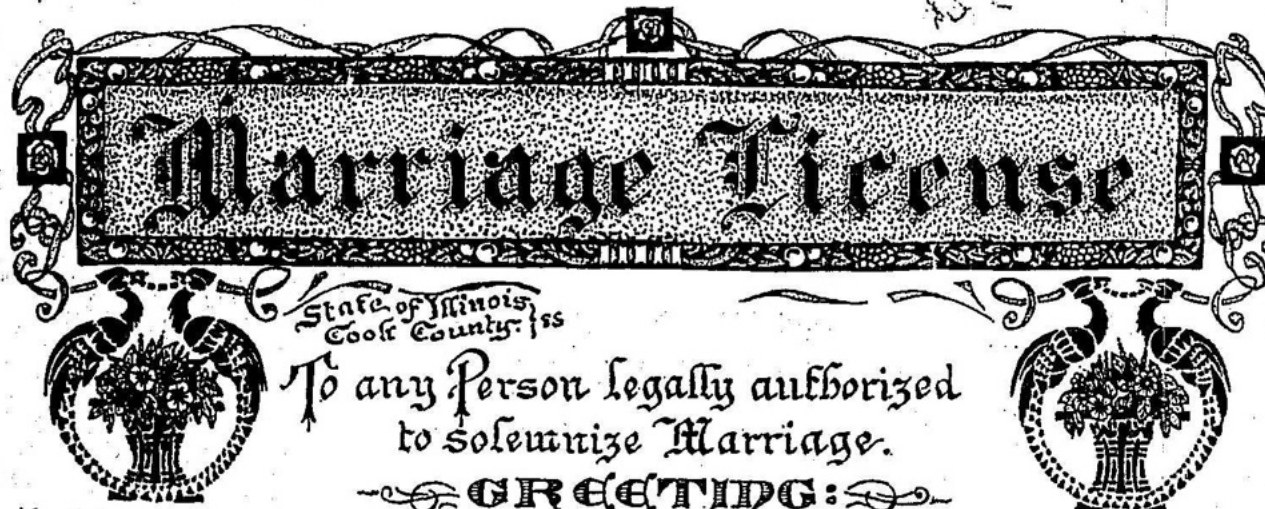
Godparents are Thomas Talbot and Margaret Talbot

Both Edward and Delia had brothers Thomas.

Delia's brother Thomas had a daughter Margaret, suggesting the godfather is Margaret's father

## **Delia M. Talbot's 2nd Marriage**

664957



Marriage may be Celebrated in the County of Cook, State of Illinois.

Between Mr. John R. Hudson of Chicago, in the County of Cook and  
State of Illinois, of the age of 47 years; and Mrs. Delia Talbot  
of Chicago, in the County of Cook, and State of Illinois, of the age of 37 years.

Witness, **ROBERT M. SWEITZER**, County Clerk of the County of Cook, and the Seal thereof,  
at my office in Chicago, this 2nd day of June A. D. 1911.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.  
COUNTY OF COOK.

I, Rev. M. L. Hayden a Catholic Priest  
(Name of person officiating) (Official title)  
hereby certify that Mr. John R. Hudson and Mrs. Delia Talbot  
were united in Marriage by me at St. Ann's Church in the County of Cook and State of Illinois,  
on the 3rd day of June 1911 Rev. M. L. Hayden  
(Signature and official title)  
Address 6043 Wisconsin Ave

N. B.—This License, with certificate of marriage properly made, must (within 30 days) be returned to the COUNTY CLERK, by the person who performed the marriage ceremony.

Marriage License for Delia Talbot and John Hudson  
Chicago, IL



22	June 3	John R. Hudson Delia Talbot		
23	June 4	George R. Cannon Mary J. Jennings		

L. Hall	DELEGATUS		
Michael Morrissey Hellen Talbot	Rem Ita Se Habere Testor M. S. Hayden Parochus		
J. J. Jennings Mrs J. J. Jennings	Rem Ita Se Habere Testor M. S. Hayden DELEGATUS		

Church Marriage Record  
St. Anselm (61st and Michigan - Chicago, IL)

The physician or midwife (when in attendance), or the parent or householder should immediately send this certificate accurately filled out to the County Clerk of the County in which the birth takes place. Penalty for not making report within 30 days, fine of \$10 to \$100, or imprisonment in jail for 30 days, or both.

STATE OF ILLINOIS,

Cook County.

## REPORT OF BIRTH.\*

8107

## VITAL STATISTICS DEPARTMENT—COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

1. † Full Name of Child Mary Louise Hudson
2. Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Race or Color (if not of the white race) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Number of Child of this Mother 4th How many now living (in all) four
4. Date of this Birth April 23-15
5. Place of Birth, No. 6001 Green Street Chicago Ill { City  
Village  
Town
6. Residence of Mother, No. 5810 Sangamon Street Chicago
7. Place of Birth TOWN STATE OR COUNTRY AGE OF
- a. Father Sandusky Ohio Ohio 50.
- b. Mother Melancholli 38.
8. Full Name of Mother Delia Mary Talbot Hudson
9. Maiden Name of Mother Delia M. Talbot
10. Full Name of Father John Hudson
11. Occupation of Father City Detective
12. Name and Address of Nurse or Attendant (if any) \_\_\_\_\_
- Reported by Dr Russell - Englewood { M. D. or  
Midwife
- Date 5-8- 1915 Residence 6001 - Green St Telephone Eng 7122

\* Still-births should be reported on a separate blank form.

† The baptismal or christian name of child should be certified, if possible, when this certificate is made, and should, in any case, be reported to the County Clerk within a year.

‡ In case of more than one child at a birth, a SEPARATE RETURN must be made for each, and the number of each, in order of birth, stated.

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD.

Mary Louise Hudson Birth Certificate  
Chicago, IL

## 1. PLACE OF BIRTH

County of **COOK**City of **CHICAGO**
 Registration  
 Dist. No. **3104**  
 Primary  
 Dist. No.

 STATE OF ILLINOIS  
 State Board of Health - Bureau of Vital Statistics

 HEALTH  
 DEPARTMENT'S  
 RECORD

**CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH**
 CITY OF CHICAGO
Registered No. **31581**

## 2. FULL NAME OF CHILD

3. Sex of Child **Fe**

4. Twin, triplets, or other?

Number in order of birth

5. Date of birth

**8-9**19**18**

(To be answered only in event of plural births)

(Month) (Day) (Year)

If child is not yet named, make supplemental report, as directed.

6. FULL NAME

**FATHER**

7. RESIDENCE

8. COLOR

10. BIRTHPLACE  
(State or Country)

11. OCCUPATION

9. AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY

12. FULL MAIDEN NAME

13. RESIDENCE

14. COLOR

16. BIRTHPLACE  
(State or Country)

17. OCCUPATION

**MOTHER**

15. AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY

18. Number of children born to this mother, including present birth

19. Number of children of this mother now living

## 20. CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MIDWIFE.\*

I hereby certify that I attended the birth of this child, who was born alive at \_\_\_\_\_ M., on the date above stated.

\* When there was no attending physician or midwife, then the father, mother, householder, etc., shall make this return. See Sec. 12 of vital statistics law.

21. (Signature)

M. D. Midwife

22. Give name added from a supplemental report

Address

Telephone

23. Filed

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Registrar

Registrar

† If birth occurred in hospital or institution, give its name instead of street and number.

 Alice Hudson Birth Certificate  
 Chicago, IL

1. PLACE OF DEATH		Registration		STATE OF ILLINOIS ORIGINAL	
County of <u>Cook</u>		Dist. No. <u>3104</u>		HENRY HORNER, Governor	
City of <u>Chicago</u>		Township <u>3104</u>		Department of Public Health—Division of Vital Statistics	
* (Cancel the three terms not applicable—Do not enter "R. R.," "R. F.," or other P. O. address). Street and Number, No. _____ St. _____ Ward <u>Cook Co</u>		Registered No. <u>29039</u> (Consecutive No.) _____ Hospital _____		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
LENGTH OF TIME AT PLACE WHERE DEATH OCCURRED? yrs. _____ mos. <u>27</u> ds.					
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE: STATE <u>Illinois</u>		County <u>Cook</u>		Township _____ Road Dist. _____	
(Usual place of abode) City or Village <u>Chicago</u>		Street and Number <u>5810 So Sangamon</u>			
3 (a) FULL NAME <u>John Hudson</u>					
3 (b) If veteran, name war <u>Unknown</u>		3 (c) Social Security No. <u>Unknown</u>			
4. Sex <u>Male</u>		5. Color or race <u>White</u>			
6 (b) Name of husband or wife <u>Delia</u>		6 (a) Single, widowed, married, divorced <u>Married</u>			
7. Birth date of deceased <u>November 5, 1859</u>		6 (c) Age of husband or wife if alive <u>Unknown</u> years			
(Month) (Day) (Year)					
8. AGE: Years <u>79</u> Months <u>11</u> Days <u>18</u>		If less than one day hr. _____ min. _____			
9. Birthplace <u>Unknown Ohio</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)					
10. Usual occupation <u>Unknown</u>					
11. Industry or business <u>Unknown</u>					
FATHER { 12. Name <u>James Hudson</u>					
13. Birthplace <u>Unknown Ireland</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)					
MOTHER { 14. Maiden name <u>Marquet Gysom</u>					
15. Birthplace <u>Unknown Ireland</u> (City, town, or county) (State or foreign country)					
8. INFORMANT <u>Hospital Record</u> (personal signature with pen and ink) <u>M. Seibert</u>					
P. O. Address _____					
7. PLACE OF BURIAL, Cremation or Removal		(b) DATE			
(a) Cemetery <u>Calvary</u>		Oct 26, 19 <u>39</u>			
Location <u>Evansville</u>		(Township, Road Dist., Village or City)			
County <u>Cook</u>		State <u>Illinois</u>			
Funeral director <u>J. J. Johnson</u>		ADDRESS <u>2346 W. Madison St.</u>			
(personal signature with pen and ink)		(firm name, if any)			
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH					
20. Date of death: Month <u>10</u> day <u>23</u> year <u>1939</u> hour <u>9</u> minute <u>45</u> AM					
21. I hereby certify that I attended the deceased from <u>9-26</u> 19 <u>39</u> to <u>10-23</u> 19 <u>39</u> that I last saw him alive on <u>10-23</u> 19 <u>39</u> and that death occurred on the date and hour stated above.					
Duration _____					
Immediate cause of death <u>Chronic Myocarditis?</u>					
Due to _____					
Due to _____					
Other conditions (include pregnancy within 3 months of death) _____					
22. { Was an operation performed? <u>Yes</u> Date of _____ For what disease or injury? <u>No</u>					
Was there an autopsy? <u>No</u>					
Findings? _____					
23. If a communicable disease; where contracted? _____					
Was disease in any way related to occupation of deceased? <u>No</u>					
If so, specify how: _____					
24. (Signed) <u>Walter Wilkey, M.D.</u> Address <u>Cook County Hosp</u> Date <u>10-23</u> 19 <u>39</u> Telephone <u>CE 6350</u>					
*N. B.—State the disease causing death. All cases of death from "violence, casualty, or any undue means" must be referred to the coroner. See Section 10 Coroner's Act.					
25. Filed <u>Stevenson R. Burdick</u>					
P. O. Address _____					

1939 John Hudson Death Certificate  
Chicago, IL



HUDSON—John R. Hudson, beloved husband of Delia Talbot Hudson, father of Edward and Kathleen Talbot, Mrs. Helen Monahan, Mary and Alice Hudson. Funeral Thursday, 9 a. m., from residence, 5810 S. Sangamon street, to Visitation church. Interment Calvary. Please, no flowers.

Chicago Tribune - 10/25/1939

HUDSON—John R. Hudson, beloved husband of Della Talbot Hudson, father of Edward and Kathleen Talbot, Mrs. Helen Monahan, Mary and Alice Hudson. Funeral Thursday, 9 a. m., from residence, 5810 S. Sangamon-st., to Visitation Church. Interment Calvary. Please, no flowers.

IUZZOLINO—Pietro Iuzzolino, beloved husband of Della Talbot Hudson, father of Edward and Kathleen Talbot, Mrs. Helen Monahan, Mary and Alice Hudson. Funeral Thursday, 9 a. m., from residence, 5810 S. Sangamon-st., to Visitation Church. Interment Calvary. Please, no flowers.

Chicago Daily News - 10/24/1939

LAST NAME			
HUDSON,			
FIRST NAME			
John			
S.Line			
GR.	LOT	BLK.	SEC.
	56	1	B
HOME ADDRESS			
C.C.Hosp.			
INTERMENT DATE		AGE	
10/26/39		79	
FORM 2 REV. 9-54-W-C			

Burial Index card - Calvary Cemetery (Evanston, IL)

## Census

1910: Address appears 10 E. 61st St. Number is illegible.

Edward died two years earlier. He is listed as born in Boston (children's father)  
Delia listed as "Keeping Lodging House".  
Unless it's a mistake, Delia is listed as a renter.  
Delia lists year of immigration as 1893.

1920: 5810 S. Sangamon (Own)

Delia is remarried. John Hudson listed as Manager for Knights of Columbus.  
Delia listed as immigrated in 1893 and naturalized.

1930: 5810 S. Sangamon (Own)

John Hudson listed as caretaker for fraternal organization  
Delia listed as immigrated in 1895 and naturalized.

1940: 5810 S. Sangamon (Own)

Living with sister Nellie  
Delia (62) and Nellie (64) both working as housekeeping for private family.  
John Hudson died year before.

1950: 5810 S. Sangamon

Delia (72)  
Appears to have a lodger





STATE Illinois 9-137 DEPARTMENT OF  
COUNTY Cook FOURTEENTH CENSUS OF  
TOWNSHIP OR OTHER DIVISION OF COUNTY 41-42  
(Insert proper name and, also, name of class, as township, town, precinct, district, hundred, beat, etc. See instructions.)  
NAME OF INSTITUTION  
(Insert name of institution, if any, and indicate the lines on which the entries are made. See instructions.)

PLACE OF ABODE.				NAME of each person whose place of abode on January 1, 1920, was in this family.  Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any.  Include every person living on January 1, 1920. Omit children born since January 1, 1920.	RELATION.  Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	TENURE.		PERSONAL DESCRIPTION.				CITIZENSHIP.			EDUCATION.		
Street, avenue, road, etc.	House number or farm, etc. (See instruc- tions.)	Num- ber of dwell- ing house in order of vis- itation.	Num- ber of family in order of vis- itation.			Home owned or rented.	If owned, free or mortgaged.	Sex.	Color or race.	Age at last birth- day.	Single, married, widowed, or di- vorced.	Year of immigra- tion (for natu- ralized citi- zens).	Naturalized or alien.	If naturalized, year of natural- ization.	Attended school any time since Sept. 1, 1915.	Whether able to read.	Whether able to write.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
51	937	116	117	Stornell, Naomi	wife			F	W	20	M					116	116

75				Mary	wife			F	W	28	M					116	116
76	5810	116	116	Hudson, J.	Head			M	W	58	M					116	116
77				Debra	wife			F	W	42	M	1913	No			116	116
78				Falbot, Edw. and	son			M	W	18	S					116	116
79				Helena	daughter			F	W	15	S				112	116	116
80				Kathleen	daughter			F	W	13	S				116	116	116
81				Hudson, Mary	daughter			F	W	5	S						
82				Alia	daughter			F	W	1 1/2	S						
83				Alia	daughter			M	W	1 1/2	M						

1920 Census  
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COMMERCE—BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

THE UNITED STATES: 1920—POPULATION

[D1-578]

SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT No. 1

SHEET No.

ENUMERATION DISTRICT No. 1888

5 B

NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE

Chicago

WARD OF CITY 31

ENUMERATED BY ME ON THE

7th

DAY OF

January

1920.

Myrtle A. Curran

ENUMERATOR 900

NATIVITY AND MOTHER TONGUE.						OCCUPATION.				
PERSON.		FATHER.		MOTHER.		Whether able to speak English.	Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, salesman, laborer, etc.	Industry, business, or establishment in which at work, as cotton mill, dry goods store, farm, etc.	Employer, salary or wage worker, or working on own account.	Number of farm schedule.
Place of birth.	Mother tongue.	Place of birth.	Mother tongue.	Place of birth.	Mother tongue.					
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29

Germany		Germany	English	Germany	English	yes	none			74
Germany		Germany	English	Germany	English	yes	none			75
Germany	England	Ireland	English	Ireland	English	yes	manager.	inglto pholanta ul		76 8
Germany		Ireland	English	Ireland	English	yes	none			77
Germany		Massachusetts		Ireland	English	yes	clerk	stock yards ul		78 9
Germany		Massachusetts		Ireland	English	yes	none			79
Germany		Massachusetts		Ireland	English	yes	none			80
Germany		Ohio		Ireland	English	yes	none			81 2
Germany		Ohio		Ireland	English	yes	none			82

State Illinois Incorporated place Chicago  
 County Cook Ward of city 16 Block No. 16  
 Community and other part of tract 761  
 Township or other 9 Precinct  
 division of county 9 Precinct  
 (Insert proper name and also name of class, as township, town, precinct, district, etc. See instructions.)

Unincorporated place X  
 (Enter name of any unincorporated place having approximately 500 inhabitants or more)

PLACE OF ABODE				NAME of each person whose place of abode on April 1, 1930, was in this family Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any Include every person living on April 1, 1930. Omit children born since April 1, 1930	RELATION Relationship of this person to the head of the family	HOME DATA				PERSONAL DESCRIPTION				EDUCATION		
Street, avenue, road, etc.	House number (in cities or towns)	Number of dwelling house in order of visitation	Number of family in order of visitation			Home owned or rented	Value of home, if owned, or monthly rental, if rented	Radio set	Does this family live on a farm?	Sex	Color or race	Age at last birthday	Marital condition	Age at first marriage	Attended school or college any time since Sept. 1, 1923	Whether able to read and write
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17

71					Reith	Wife H				V	F	W	30	M	22	No	Yes
72	5810	132	316		Hudson John	Head	0 \$6,000	R	no	M	W	70	M	30	No	Yes	
73					Debia	Wife H				V	F	W	50	M	20	No	Yes
74					Talbot Edward	Son				V	M	W	28	S		No	Yes
75					Kathleen	Daughter				V	F	W	23	S		No	Yes
76					Hudson Mary	Daughter				V	F	W	14	S		Yes	Yes
77					Alice	Daughter				V	F	W	12	S		Yes	Yes
78	542	132	317		L. C.	Wife H	0 \$6,000	R	Yes	F	W	63	M	30	No	Yes	

1930 Census  
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—BUREAU OF THE CENSUS  
**FIFTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1930**  
**POPULATION SCHEDULE**

Enumeration District No. 16-604

Sheet No.

19 B 6041Supervisor's District No. 7

Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Enumerated by me on Apr. 12, 1930, Miss Elsie Drechsel, Enumerator.

(Insert name of institution, if any, and indicate the lines on which the entries are made. See instructions.)

PLACE OF BIRTH			MOTHER TONGUE (OR NATIVE LANGUAGE) OF FOREIGN BORN			CITIZENSHIP, ETC.			OCCUPATION AND INDUSTRY			EMPLOYMENT		VETERANS		Number of farm schedule		
Place of birth of each person enumerated and of his or her parents. If born in the United States, give State or Territory. If of foreign birth, give country in which birthplace is now situated. (See Instructions.) Distinguish Canada-French from Canada-English, and Irish Free State from Northern Ireland.			Language spoken in home before coming to the United States	CODE (For office use only. Do not write in these columns)		Year of immigration to the United States	Naturalization	Whether able to speak English	OCCUPATION Trade, profession, or particular kind of work, as spinner, salesman, riveter, teacher, etc.	INDUSTRY Industry or business, as cotton mill, dry-goods store, shipyard, public school, etc.	CODE (For office use only. Do not write in this column)	Class of worker	Whether actually at work yesterday (or the last regular working day)		Whether a veteran of U. S. military or naval forces			
PERSON	FATHER	MOTHER		State or M. T.	Country								Year	Yes or No	If not, line number on Unemployment Schedule		Yes or No	What war or expedition?
18	19	20	21	A	B	C	22	23	24	25	26	D	27	28	29	30	31	32
<u>Sweden</u>	<u>Sweden</u>	<u>Sweden</u>	<u>Swedish</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>06</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>1903</u>	<u>na</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>Proprietor</u>	<u>Cafe</u>	<u>8891</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>yes</u>				<u>51</u>

<u>Illinois</u>	<u>New Jersey</u>	<u>Maine</u>		<u>61</u>				<u>yes</u>	<u>Bookkeeper</u>	<u>Bank</u>	<u>6785</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>yes</u>					<u>71</u>
<u>Iowa</u>	<u>Ireland</u>	<u>Ireland</u>		<u>65</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>0</u>		<u>yes</u>	<u>Caretaker</u>	<u>Industrial organization</u>	<u>6894</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>yes</u>		<u>no</u>			<u>72</u>
<u>Irish Free State</u>	<u>Irish Free State</u>	<u>Irish Free State</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>00</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>1895</u>	<u>na</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>none</u>	<u>carried dealer</u>	<u>6790</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>yes</u>		<u>no</u>		<u>73</u>
<u>Illinois</u>	<u>Massachusetts</u>	<u>Irish Free State</u>		<u>61</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>yes</u>	<u>Bookkeeper</u>	<u>Appraisers</u>	<u>8091</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>yes</u>					<u>74</u>
<u>Illinois</u>	<u>Massachusetts</u>	<u>Irish Free State</u>		<u>61</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>yes</u>	<u>Bookkeeper</u>	<u>Magazine</u>	<u>8091</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>yes</u>					<u>75</u>
<u>Illinois</u>	<u>Iowa</u>	<u>Irish Free State</u>		<u>61</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>yes</u>	<u>none</u>									<u>76</u>
<u>Illinois</u>	<u>Iowa</u>	<u>Irish Free State</u>		<u>61</u>	<u>04</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>yes</u>	<u>none</u>									<u>77</u>
<u>England</u>	<u>England</u>	<u>England</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>00</u>	<u>00</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>1915</u>	<u>na</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>House</u>	<u>Company Laundry</u>	<u>7797</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>yes</u>				<u>78</u>



State Illinois Incorporated place Chicago Ward of city 16 Unincorporated place \_\_\_\_\_  
 County Cook Township or other division of county \_\_\_\_\_ Block Nos 12 & 13 Institution \_\_\_\_\_  
 U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 16-11270

NAME	LOCATION	HOUSEHOLD DATA						NAME	RELATION	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION				EDUCATION	PLACE OF BIRTH	CITIZENSHIP
		Street, apt. no., yard, etc.	House number (in cities and towns)	Number of household in order of inclusion	House entered (R) or visited (X)	Value of home, rented, or monthly rent, if rented	Does this household live on a farm? (Yes or No)			Name of each person whose usual place of residence on April 1, 1940, was in this household. BE SURE TO INCLUDE: 1. Persons temporarily absent from household. Write "A" after names of such persons. 2. Children under 1 year of age. Write "Infant" if child has not been given a first name. Enter ③ after name of person furnishing information.	Relationship of the person to the head of the household, as wife, daughter, father, mother-in-law, grand-mother, lodger, lodger's wife, servant, hired hand, etc.	Color or race	Age at last birthday			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
Widely represented																
Play name of							Son									
5810 164 ① 6220 14						Hudson, Della	Head	0	F	W	62	W	10	8	8	
						Tina	Daughter	2	F	W	25	S	10	11	30	
						Alice	Daughter	2	F	W	23	S	10	11	60	
						Talbot, Nellie	Sister	5	F	W	64	S	10	8	8	
5820 165 10 2 Jan 14						Rose, Virginia	Head	1	M	W	35	W	10	8	8	

1940 Census  
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## A, D, Na.

B. D. No. 43-1062

Sheet No. \_\_\_\_\_

Enumerated by me on April 8, 1940

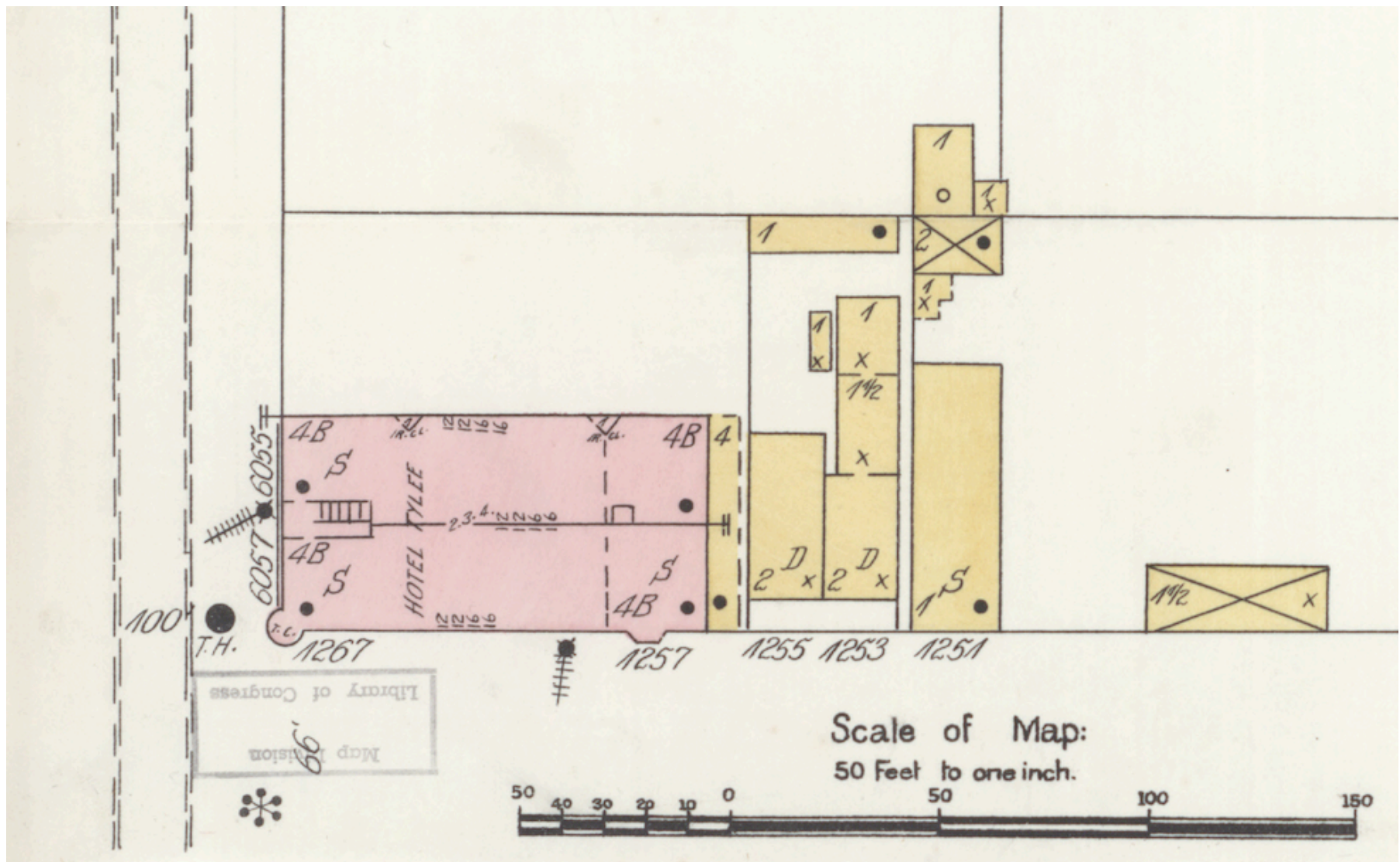
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**Enumerator**

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1950 Census



1895 Sanborn Map

The corner of 61st and State.

The corner address was 6057 State, which appears in the directory.

10 E. 61st would have been the equivalent (old system) of 1261. This address doesn't exist, but it would have been the same building (perhaps side door).

This building is referred to as a 4 story brick building and is called the "Hotel Tylee", which makes sense in 1910 it would have been a lodging house.





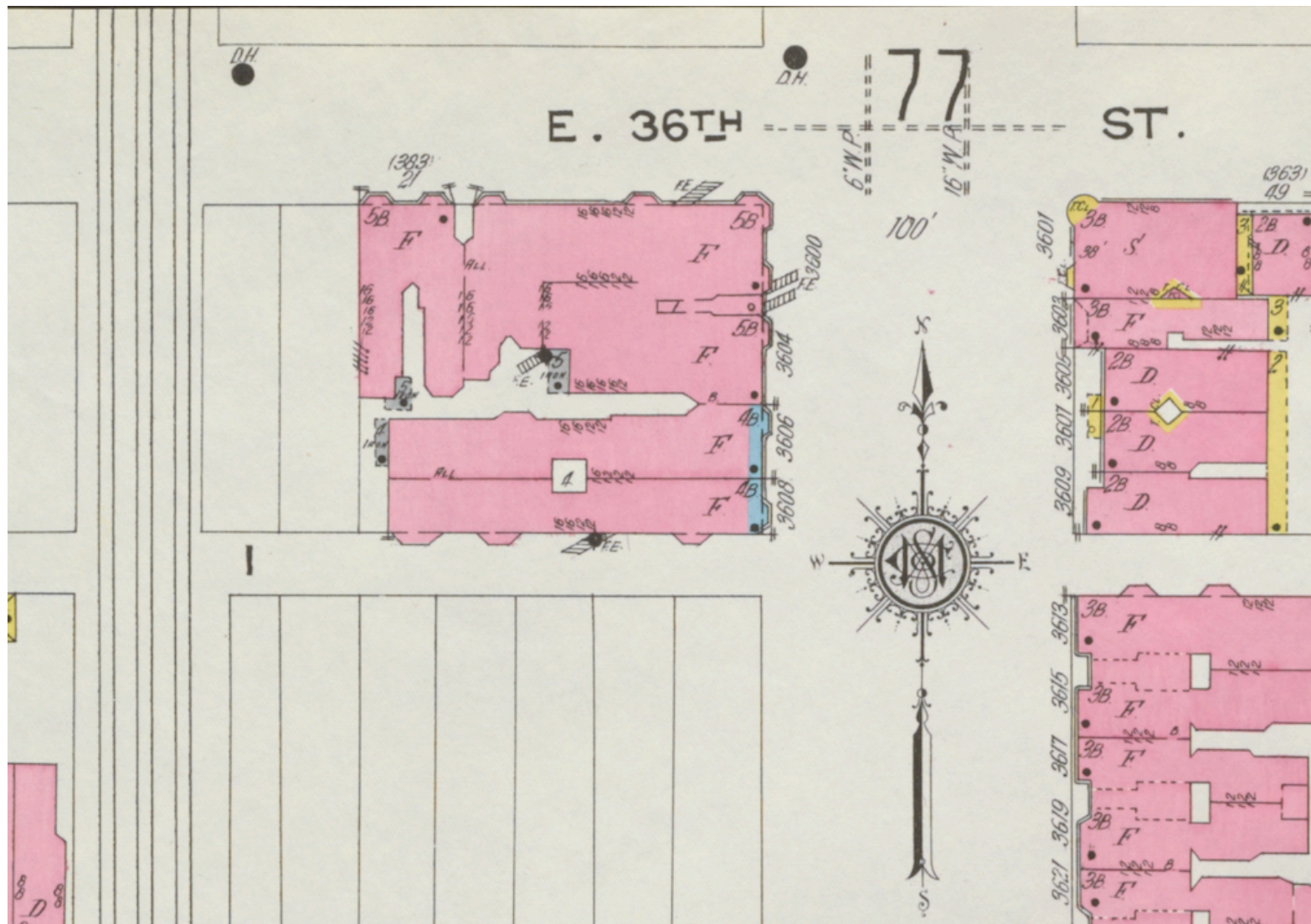
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5810 S. Sangamon  
Chicago, IL - Englewood Neighborhood  
Cook County Assessor Online Photo

## Edward H. Talbot Residential and Business Chronology

<i>Year</i>	<i>Occupation</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Office Location</i>	<i>Residential</i>	<i>Current System</i>
1900	Promoter		237 5th Ave #906 (old system - Medinah)	4132 Wabash	
1901 [1]				3600 Wabash	
1902-3	Promoter			950 W. Garfield	848 W. Garfield
1904				2275 N. Hermintage	4010 N. Hermitage
1904 [2]		Talbot Map	218 LaSalle (old system - Continental Bank)		
1905 [3]		Chicago Car Ferry Lighterage	45 W. Adams (old system) Ontario and Kingsbury	2123 N. Hoyne	3822 N. Hoyne
1906-7	Real Estate	Chicago Heights Improvement Co.	91 Seventeenth St - Chicago Heights	Chicago Heights	
1907 [4]		Paradise Park Amusement Co. Chicago Heights			
1908 [5]		Talbot Amusement Co. Hammond and/or Chicago			
1908	Real Estate			6555 S. Green	

Notes: [1] Unknown whether the correct Edward. Refer to Chicago Directory  
[2], [3] It is presumed that Edward was behind the “Talbot Map” and Chicago Car Ferry Lighterage Company. Refer to business documentary.  
[4], [5] It is presumed that Edward was behind two Amusement companies. Refer to business documentary.



1912 Sanborn Map  
 3600 Wabash appears to have been a 5-story brick building. Perhaps a large corner apartment building.

Bronzeville Neighborhood - Chicago, IL





4010 N. Hermitage (Chicago, IL)  
Lakeview neighborhood  
Cook County Assessor Online Photo





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3822 N. Hoyne (Chicago, IL)  
North Center neighborhood  
Cook County Assessor Online Photo

### **Additional Information**

Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney are Michael E. Byczek's 2x-great-grandparents. Their daughter Marie T. Talbot (great-grandmother) married Martin J. Flanagan at Holy Name Cathedral in 1922, the same church where her parents were married in 1880. Their daughter Marie C. Flanagan (grandmother) married Michael S. Byczek at St. Bridget's in the Bridgeport neighborhood in 1950. Their son Michael M. Byczek (father) married Betty A. Bykowski in 1974 at St. Helen's on Augusta and Oakley in Chicago. They have two children, Michael E. Byczek (the eldest) and Katherine S. Byczek, both born in the Bridgeport neighborhood.

Michael E. Byczek has been compiling actual records for the Talbot and Rooney families for over 30 years. He has gathered an extensive collection of documents. This compiled documentary is an accurate source of genealogy for Edward H. Talbot and Kittie A. Rooney.

Feel free to send a message for more information or genealogy collaboration.

Michael E. Byczek  
Illinois Attorney and Real Estate Broker  
Chicago, IL (United States)

6/23/2025

Expanded upon and revision of an earlier documentary about Edward H. Talbot's business ventures dated 2/2/2025.

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