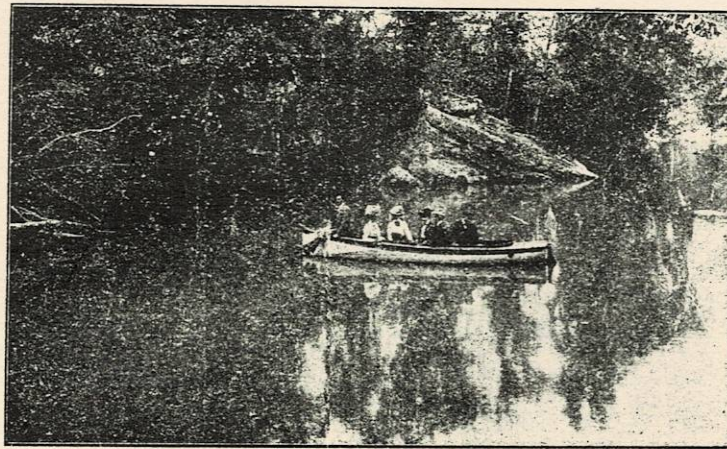


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Boating On The Tradewater. —Photo By Lindsay.

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### The Discoverer of Dawson Springs Water.

CAPT. W. I. HAMBY, the subject of this sketch, was born in Hopkins county, Ky., July 18, 1843, and was one of the first residents of Dawson Springs, and has been the chief promoter of Dawson Springs since its discovery.

His family is a true specimen of the virtue of Dawson Springs Water. On his arrival at Dawson



*Yours for health,  
W. I. Hamby*

Springs he tipped the beam at 137 pounds, his wife at 98 pounds; he now weighs 230 pounds and his wife and four children average over 200 pounds each, the total weight of the six being 1260 pounds.

Mr. Hamby is proprietor of the Hamby Hotel, the best \$1.00 per

President of the New Century Hotel Co., also President of the Dawson Salts & Water Co., who are the sole Bottlers and Shippers of Dawson Springs Water.

#### HISTORY OF THE WATER.

When the Elizabethtown and Paducah railway (now the I. C.) penetrated this country in the early 70's Capt. Hamby owned the only house then here, an unpretentious affair that served alone to keep the sun and rain off and make life bearable for himself, wife and children. There being no water in the immediate domicile of Mr. Hamby's modest little home, he determined on removing the difficulty by digging a cistern. The work was soon under way and on the second day of July, 1881, the very day Guitau's pistol fired the fatal ball into President Garfield, a strong vein of the finest chalybeate water was struck and further progress in digging was suspended. At that time there was a large gang of Irishmen employed by the railroad company in the vicinity of Dawson and all of them had become large users of Mr. Hamby's cistern water. A number of the men claimed that they had been vastly benefited by it and when they were told that Mr. Hamby contemplated filling the cistern and digging another to be filled and supplied by the rains, a vigorous protest was entered by the Emerald Islanders. They agreed with Mr. Hamby to dig him a fresh water cistern if he would allow the original to remain so long as they were employed in the neighborhood. Mr. Hamby agreed and in

From that day the Dawson water dates its reputation. But this is not the water that has given Dawson a national reputation. The now famous Hamby Well was discovered while boring for water for an unpretentious hotel he had built at Dawson. It was located within a few feet of the front of his hotel and in June 1893 having passed through a stratum of underlying rock he struck an inexhaustible vein of mineral water, a water totally different in every regard from any yet discovered. This well was cased up and a sample sent to Louisville to Dr. J. P. Barnum to be analyzed. The following is Dr. Barnum's report:

OFFICE OF J. P. BARNUM CO.,  
Dispensing, Manufacturing and Analytic Chemists.  
Louisville, Ky., Aug., 3, 1895.

This will certify that I have examined a sample of Mineral Water, received from W. I. Hamby, Dawson Springs, Ky., and found it to contain in each 1,000 grammes (1 liter) 2.1 pints, the following amounts of Mineral substances:

	GRAMMES.
Carbonic Acid . . . . .	445
Combin'd under pressure with Iron Oxide . . . . .	126
“ “ with Calcium Oxide . . . . .	123
Calcium Sulphate . . . . .	015
Alumina Sulphate . . . . .	155
Soda Sulphate . . . . .	335
Magnesia Sulphate . . . . .	016
Silica Comb'd with Bromine and Lithia . . . . .	1,734

Total solid matter in 1 quart of WATER, 2,949

This water will prove a most admirable chalybeate water, and from the large amount of sulphate of soda presents an efficient but painless cathartic; acting freely on the liver as well as the stomach and bowels, while its tonic properties render it valuable whenever a strengthener is required. Dropsical effusion will likely be removed and rheumatism cured if used in moderate quantities after the liver has been thoroughly cleaned out. **It is the first complete analysis of any mineral spring about Dawson Springs, as I never before had the water with the gas in it.** I think you have made a good find; something likely to strike at the roots and pour the engorged bile which is usually at the root of the whole series of stomach, kidney and bladder troubles, and after you have gotten them thoroughly cleaned out by full doses, build up the system by tonic—not cathartic doses.

Try it for Gall Stones.

J. P. BARNUM,  
Analytical Chemist.

This is no doubt the most remarkable well in the United States and as its curative qualities become better and more extensively known its popularity increases.

be observed every day in the week. There is no time during the day and up to 11 o'clock at night that the pump handle is not in motion and a solid stream of water pouring into a continuous line of glasses, tin cups, jugs, bottles and often times barrels. It is a sight to see the people that circle around this well and abide their time with patience until "Indian file" their time comes to be waited on. Time and again crowds aggregating from twenty-five to one hundred people have been around this well from early morning to a late bedtime. The water does all that it is claimed for it and in many cases more too. Notwithstanding the many ingredients shown in the analysis made by Dr. Barnum, it is without question the most palatable water the human appetite can crave. It is a most delightful beverage and people take to it at the first and grow fonder of it every day. It is a strong Lithia, equal, if not superior to the world renowned Buffalo Lithia, we purchase in bottles at the drug stores. We could tell our readers of a number of wonderful cures it has made but space nor time will not allow us to undertake the task.

**ITS REPUTATION EXTENDING.**

This well is known as Hamby's Salts, Iron and Lithia well. It is a fact susceptible of easiest proof that the shipment of pure carbonated and concentrated waters from Dawson Springs will equal that of the most famous waters in the country. It goes to New York, Philadelphia, New Orleans, Memphis, St. Louis, Kansas City, Hot Springs, Little Rock, Chicago, Louisville, Cincinnati, Dallas and Galveston, and thousands of other places in the various States. From one hundred gallons of pure water there is realized one gallon and a quart of the concentrated liquid which is shipped all over the U. S. You can see any hour in the day men and boys engaged filling, corking and packing quantities of bottles and jugs to be sent North, East, West and South on special orders. It is furthermore an incontrovertible fact that Dawson Springs is the largest express package shipping station between Louisville and Memphis, consisting of Hamby's Salts, Iron and Lithia Water. There is no doubt but Dawson Springs water within the next decade will be as well known and as largely sold as the Saratoga, Buffalo Lithia or many other renowned brands.

Any information regarding

**THE NEW SOUTHERN HOTEL,**

REFITTED and refurnished throughout, with its superior Attractions and Service, Location and Surroundings, offers to visitors, whether seeking rest and recreation, or health, unusual Attractions and Inducements.

The New Southern is situated on the corner of Main & Hall streets, and upon the highest eminence of any Hotel in Daw-

diseases of the Kidneys and Bladder, Rheumatism, Dropsy and Gout, it is Nature's greatest Remedy, and is the only water in Dawson Springs that can be effectively used for these diseases; while its large per cent. of Iron and other minerals relieves and cures all forms of Indigestion, and its consequent Stomach and Bowel troubles. This water, and all other Mineral Waters, are served free to guests



**The New Southern Hotel.**

—Photo By McGregor.

son Springs, is within two minutes walk of the Depot, along smooth, shaded pavements, and convenient to all mineral wells of the town.

From every point of the compass—in yard and from veranda—beautiful and unobstructed views can be had of the town and surrounding country for miles. The town with its straggling outlines lies below you; then hill and vale, with now and then a woodland stretch; then cliff and field and waving meadowland stretch away until the view is lost in dreamy, undefined, azure haze; while the beautiful Tradewater, winding, in semi-circle, like a sinuous line of silver, now in shadow of projecting cliff, now in sunlight of open field, present a most pleasing, ever-varying, and picturesque Panorama.

The only Lithia Well in Dawson Springs is located in the New Southern Hotel yard, and in strength and curative properties

in their rooms, if desired.

Every Room of the New Southern has an outside ventilation, with broad and shaded verandas on every side of the entire building, above and below, while the lawn and yards are beautifully shaded with fruit and deciduous shade trees, and in nooks and corners are numerous rustic seats, swings and hammocks, for the comfort and pleasure of its guests. On the hottest days and nights a gentle breeze is always blowing—the air is ever pure, healthy and invigorating—absolutely free from malaria taint and offensive odors.

The tables are daily supplied with every delicacy of the season; and attentive porters and waiters are at the command of its guests at all times.

The New Southern is, indeed, an "Ideal Home" for both Health and Pleasure Seekers.

Rates \$7.00 per Week. Special Rates by the Month.

For further information,

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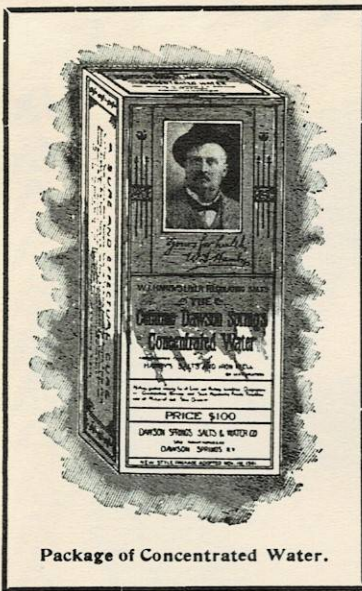
# DAWSON SALTS & WATER CO.,

Evaporators, Carbonators and Shippers of Dawson Springs Water, From the Famous Hamby Salts, Iron and Lithia Well.

**ONLY WATER IN THE WORLD THAT CURES BRIGHT'S DISEASE.**

(For Analysis and History of the Water see Page 9.)

HAMBY'S Liver Regulating Salts, The Genuine Dawson Springs Concentrated Water, is



Package of Concentrated Water.

nature's greatest Laxative, Kidney and Liver Specific and Blood Builder. For the benefit of those who cannot visit these famous Springs, and for convenience in transportation and use, they are concentrating this water, concentrating the strength of hundreds of gallons into a small quantity.

This concentrated water or Liver Regulating Salts, as it is termed, has been in continuous use for years in all parts of the south and west, and the demand from this and other portions of the country, indicate that the merits of the remedy have been the best and surest means of advertising. This remedy has met with universal favor and in almost every case has taken the place of other mineral waters, not only because it is unquestionably the best, but also because it is more economical than any other of its class, the contents of one quart bottle being equal to about 20 Gallons of nat-

the people that it is not a patent medicine, but simply a concentrated water, obtained by evaporating the natural water from Hamby's Salts, Iron and Lithia Well, and contains the same remarkable curative properties that have made these springs famous since their discovery. It contains no chemicals except those furnished by the Hands of Nature.

The water is pumped directly from the well into tanks holding 300 gallons each, where it is boiled down from 300 to 3¾ gallons filtered and bottled.

Their factory is open every day in the year and you are cordially invited to come and see for yourselves where and how they concentrate this the greatest of nature's remedies from the Hamby Salts, Iron and Lithia Well, the only Water in the World that Cures Bright's Disease.

Guarantee of Purity:—They own and control all the products of this famous Hamby Salts, Iron and Lithia Well and they positively guarantee to the public that this remedy is the pure natural water just as it comes from the Springs boiled down to a consistency, convenient for

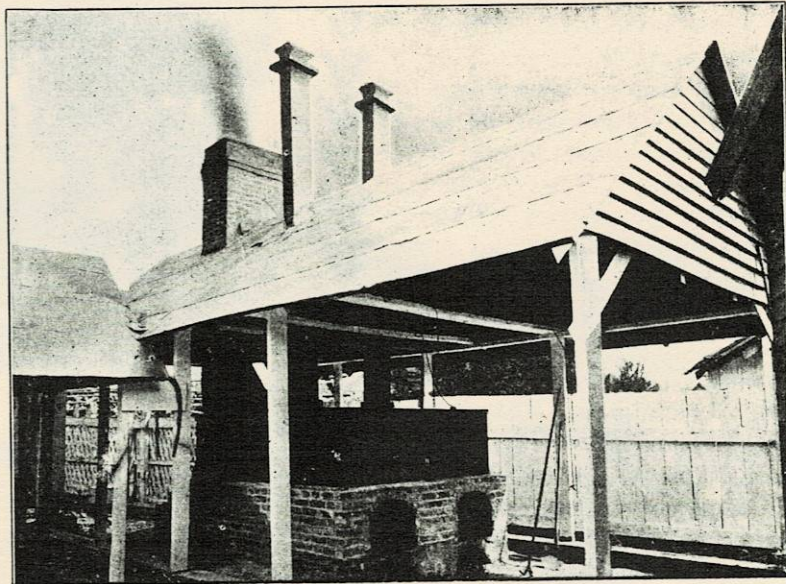
Epsom, Rochelle or any drug added to give it its Laxative effect. It is Hamby's Salts, Iron and Lithia Water, in a Carbonated, Concentrated form. It is a pleasant acting and safe laxative, acting freely on the Liver, Kidneys and Bowels, aids Digestion and Enriches the Blood.

It is recommended for any and all cases in which Hamby's Salts, Iron and Lithia Water is indicated, also in all forms of Headache and excessive indulgence in intoxicants, over eating, etc.

It comes in 7 Ounce Split Bottles and one bottle is an ordinary dose; it is pleasant to the taste and has no bad after effects. Price 15c per bottle. Sold by Druggists, Mineral Water Dealers and at Bars.

#### BOTTLING DEPARTMENT.

They have one of the best equipped bottling plants in this section, where they carbonate this Water, put up in pint and quart bottles, 50 to the case. They also manufacture all kinds of Soda Waters, such as Ginger Ale, Soda Pop, (all flavors) Wild Cherry Phosphate, etc., from this famous water. This water and its products are shipped to every State in the Union and is becoming widely known over the United States from its remarkable cures. Their Factory is open at all times to visitors and you are cordially invited to call and see them bottle the greatest water discovered



Salts Factory No. 2.

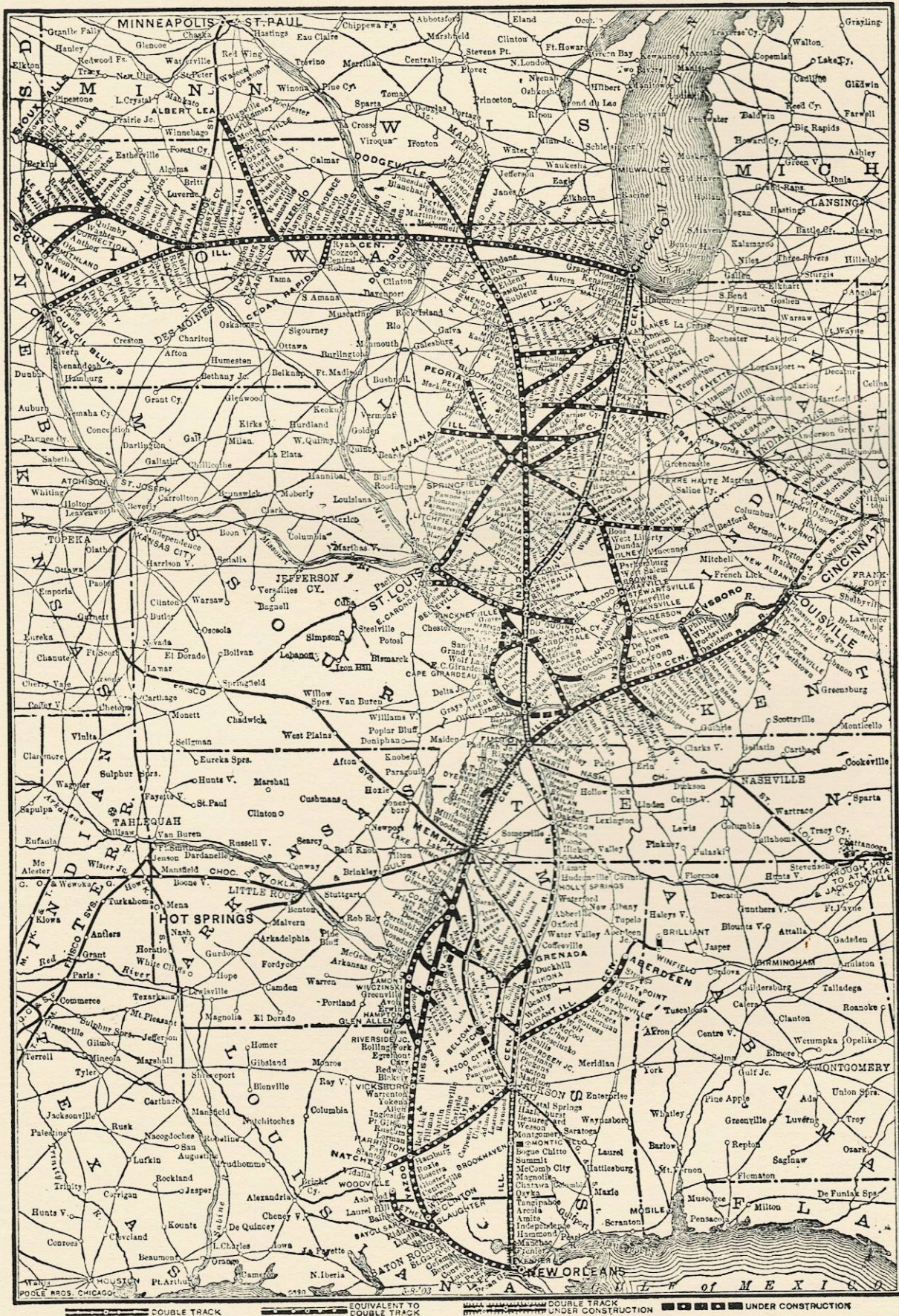
—Photo By McGregor & Willingham.

use and transportation, nothing artificial is done to color it or disguise its taste or added to it in any form. Its rich color is derived from the Iron which it contains.

HAMBY'S DAWSON SPRINGS SPLITS.

during the 19th century.

NOTICE:—The genuine Dawson Springs Water bears photograph and signature of the discoverer on each package. Write for prices and full information. If your dealer does not handle it have him order it for you or call



**Dawson Springs is Reached Over the Illinois Central R. R. and Its Connections:**

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