Joseph Tremmel Tavern

"Joseph Tremmel, of Marshfield, Wood County, was born in July, 1856; in Bavaria, Germany, and is a son of Joseph and Magdelina (Seigel) Tremmel who were also natives of the same locality.

"The father of our subject was a miller by trade, and followed that pursuit until his emigration to the New World. In 1858, accompanied by his family, he sailed for America, and made his first location in Menasha Wisconsin, where he remained for two years. He then settled upon a farm in Calumet County, this State, which he cultivated and improved for the long period of 22 years, when his life's labors were ended and he passed away, in November 1880. He received a fair education in his native land, and served for three years in the German army. His wife and the following named children survive him: Agnes, Joseph, George, Rosa, Magdalena, Michael, Theresa, Mary and Jacob. The grandfather of our subject, Jacob Tremmel, was a land owner in Bavaria, and had a family of eight children. Joseph Tremmel came to this country in limited circumstances but at length became the possessor of a comfortable property, and while his industry won him means, his worth won him many friends.

"During the boyhood of our subject, however, the family was in somewhat limited circumstances and he was reared upon a new farm on the frontier, where he early became familiar with the arduous task of aiding in the cultivation of the land, and in otherwise improving the old homestead. He remained with his father until 24 years of age, when he went to Milwaukee, there working at any honest employment that he could secure. After



Joseph Tremmel Tavern, built 1890

a year he returned home and learned the trade of cheese making, which he followed for two years in Calumet County, Wisconsin. His arrival in Marshfield dates from 1884, when he came to that city and bought a piece of land on which he erected a home. He worked for others until 1887, when he established a cheese factory, successfully conducting it until 1891. In 1890 he built a fine brick residence and store, and opened a first-class saloon, which he still carries on. His attention has also been given to various other business interests, and he is now proprietor of a hotel, a stockholder in both the chair and bedding factories of Marshfield, and also deals quite extensively in city real estate.

"Mr. Tremmel has been twice married. In 1883, in Calumet County, he married Gertrude Groeshel, who was born in Wisconsin, and died in Marshfield, February 6, 1888, leaving three children--Joseph, Frank and William. In Bakerville, Wisconsin, on September 16, 1889, Mr. Tremmel was again married, his second union being with Margaret Ott Kick, a native of Germany. They have three children--Ella, Lillie and Michael. The parents hold membership with the Catholic church. In politics Mr. Tremmel was formerly a Democrat; he has served as school treasurer, but has never sought or desired political preferment. In his business career he has met with reverses, but a resolute purpose and worthy ambition have been to him the rounds of the ladder on which he has climbed to something higher, and he is now numbered among the prosperous business men of Marshfield." from the Commemorative Biographical Record of the Upper Wisconsin Counties of Waupaca, Portage, Wood, Marathon, Lincoln, Oneida, Vilas, Langlade & Shawano, J. H. Beers & Company, Chicago, 1895

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