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### **The Passing of a Landmark**

Not long ago rev. H.M. Lawson purchased the old building which formed a part of the Wells foundry and standing just south of their main building south of the river. It has been torn down and the lumber is being utilized in the building of a barn on the Baptist parsonage lot.

With the disappearance of the building there is removed one of the old landmarks around which clustered some of the happiest memories of the older Milford residents.

Just when it was built we have not learned, but the builder was the late A.S. Arms and one of its first uses was as a meeting place for the United Presbyterian and Congregational church before the erection of their first church building in 1844. William Johnson tells us that it then stood on the site of Fred Potts' present residence.

In 1945 Henderson Crawford came to Milford and started the excellent private school wherein many of Milford's young people of that day received their education. Mr. Crawford leased this building for a time and in 1850 purchased it and moved it down back of where the Wakely wagon shop now stands, continuing to use it for school purposes until his school was given up after the union school became a strong competitor.

Later the Wells brothers purchased the building and moved it down near their cultivator works and used it as a foundry.