

## MHC PHOTOGRAPHIC DOCUMENTATION

### **WEIR STOVE COMPANY, GLENWOOD RANGE COMPANY, F. B. ROGERS SILVER COMPANY COMPLEX West Water Street along Taunton River Taunton, Bristol County, Massachusetts**

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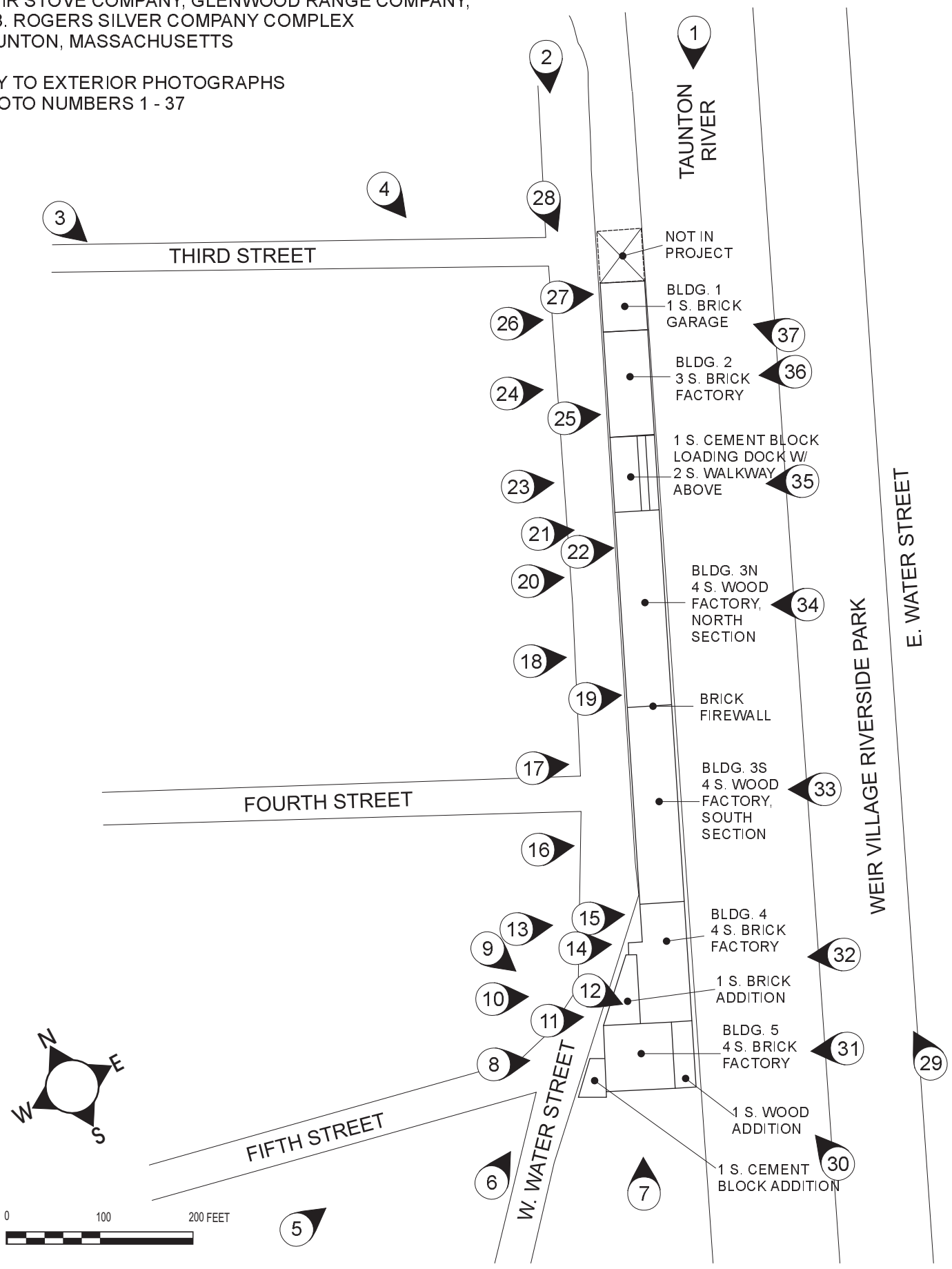
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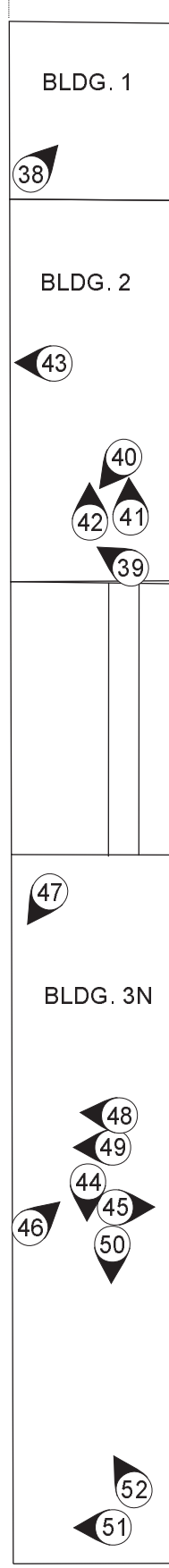
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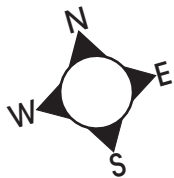
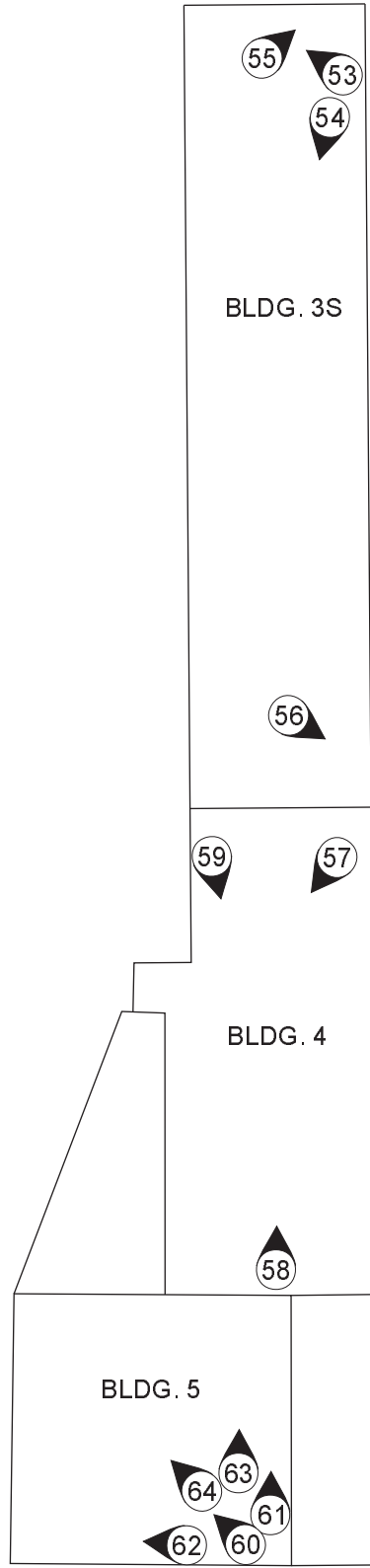


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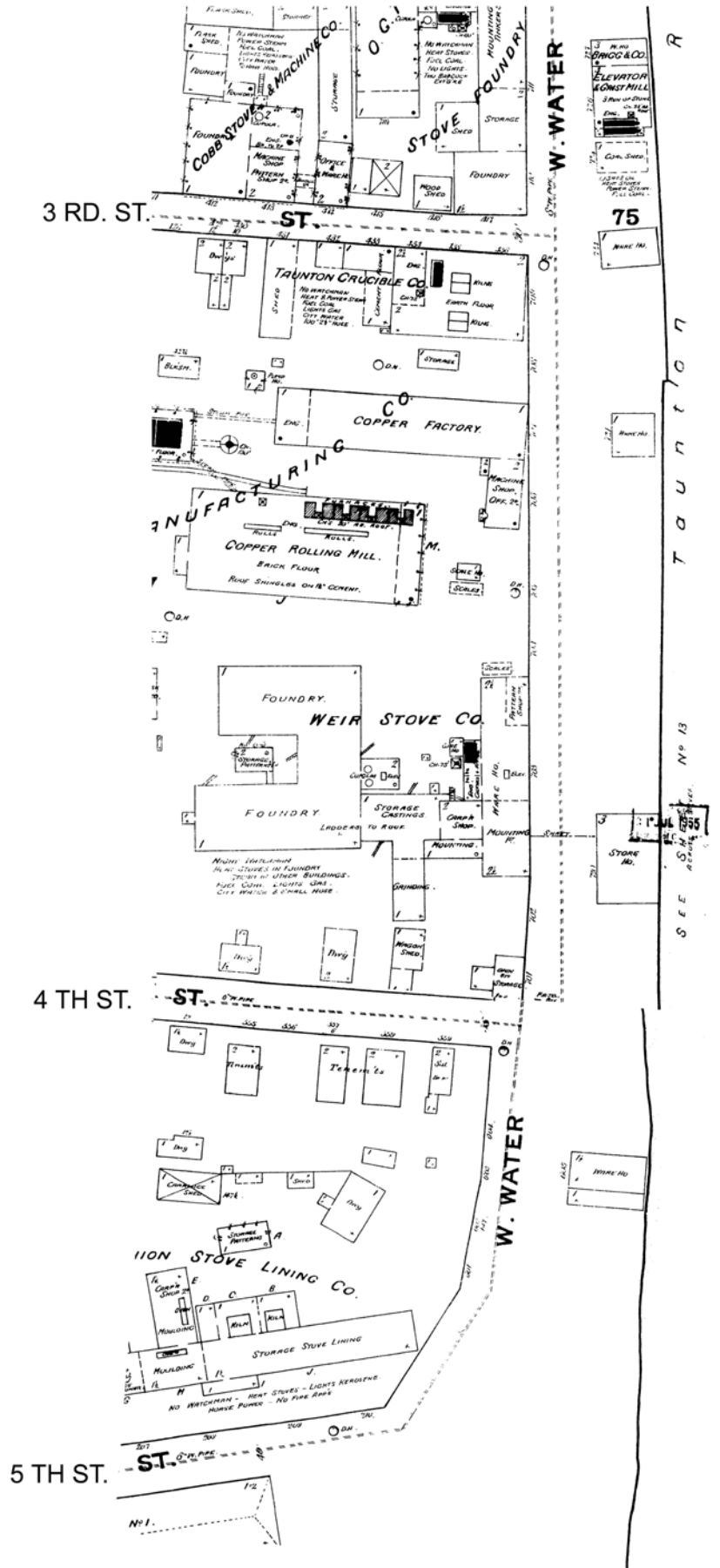
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PROJECT AREA IN 1888  
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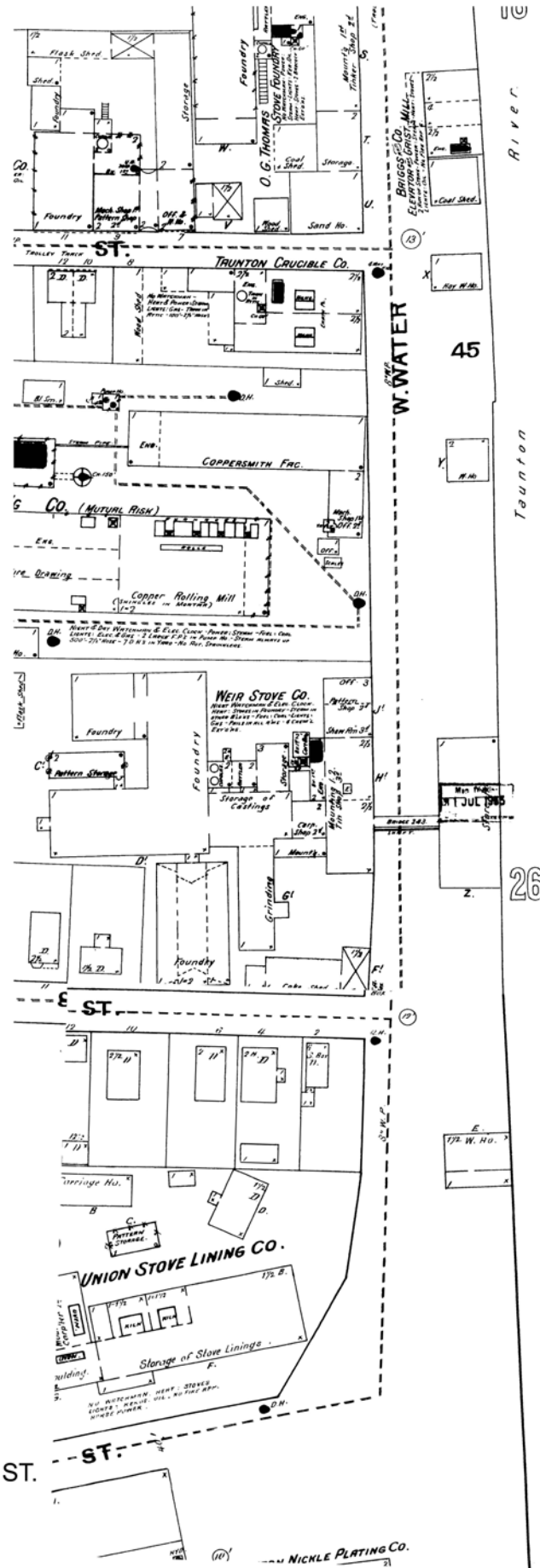
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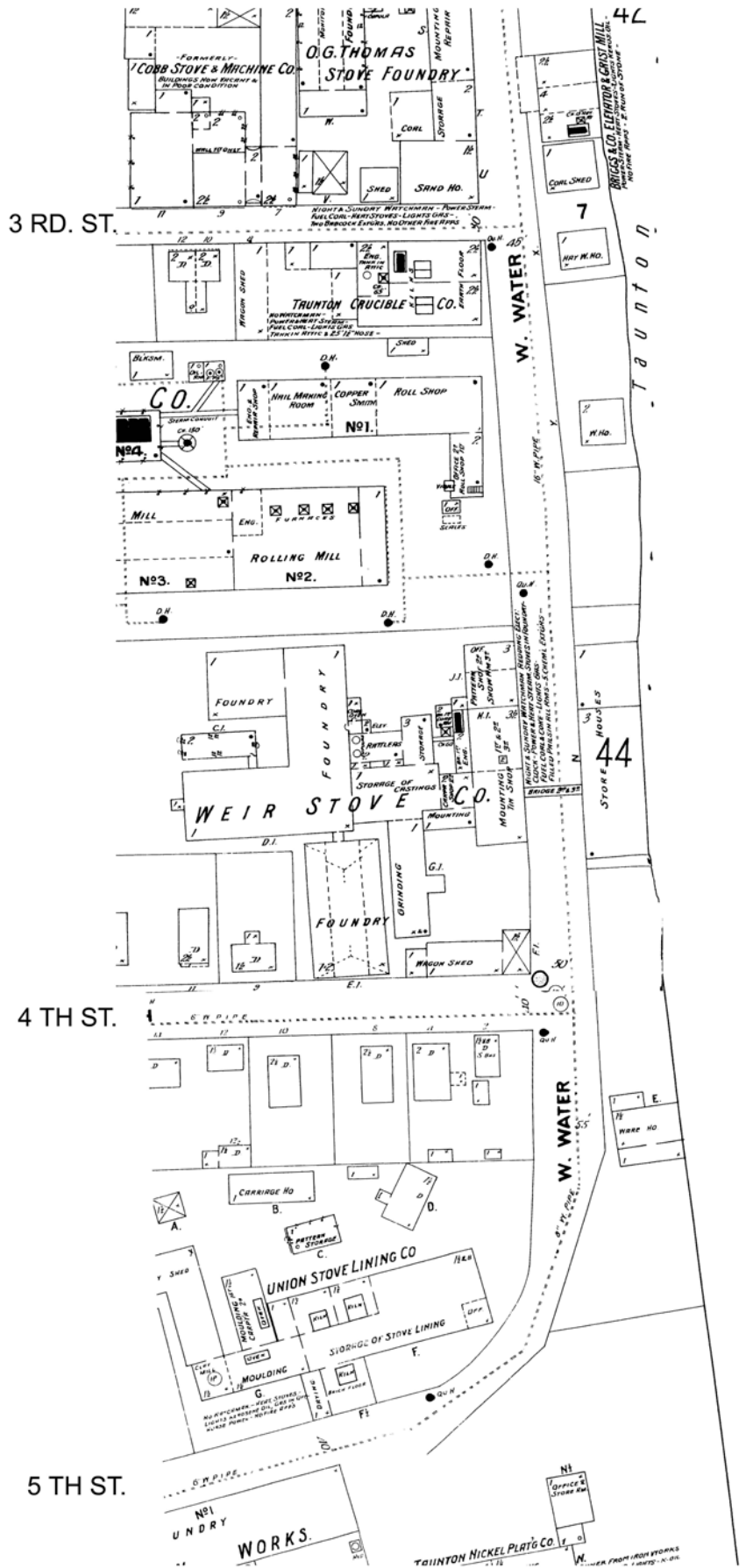
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PROJECT AREA IN 1898  
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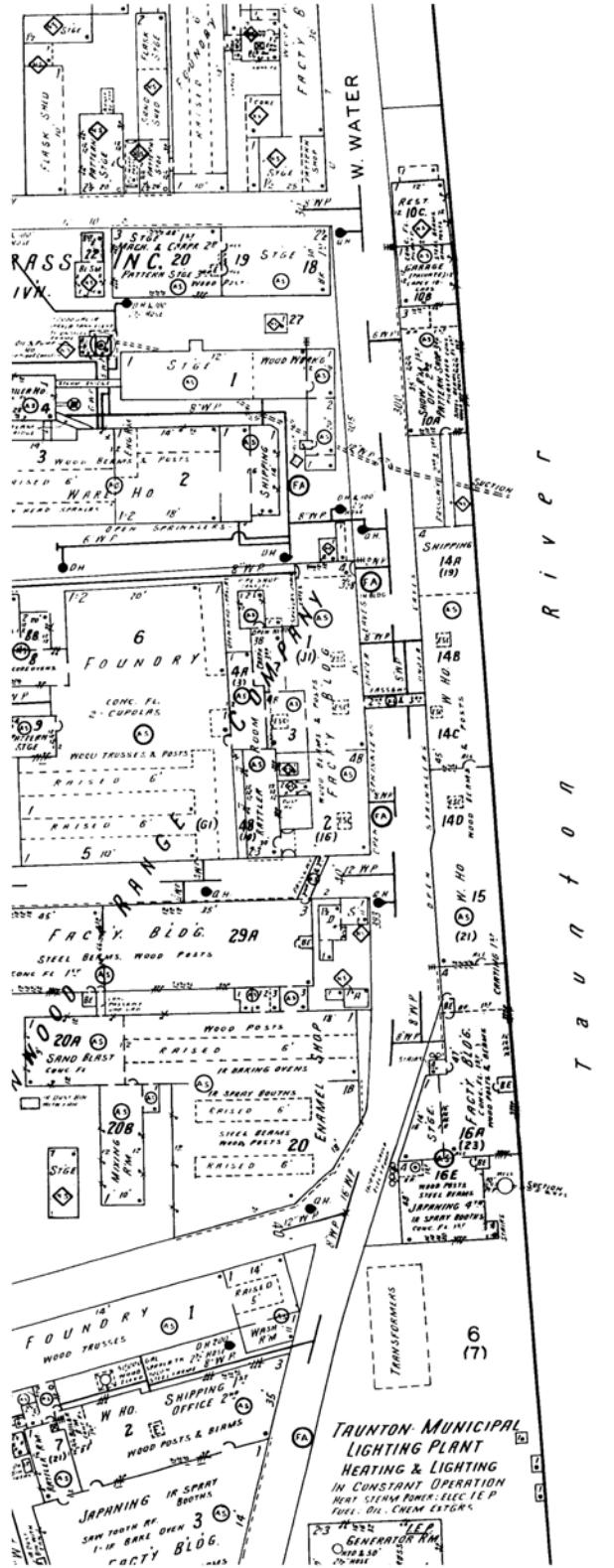
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**GLENWOOD RANGE CO.  
 STOVE MFG.**  
 WATCHMAN WITH CLOCK.  
 POWER-ELEC. HEAT-STEAM  
 FROM MUNICIPAL HEATING PLANT  
 CHEM. EXT'RS. HYD. & 100' P.  
 HOSE. 1000 GAL. DRUMS. ELEC.  
 FIRE PUMP WHICH DRAWS FROM RIVER

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 HEATING & LIGHTING  
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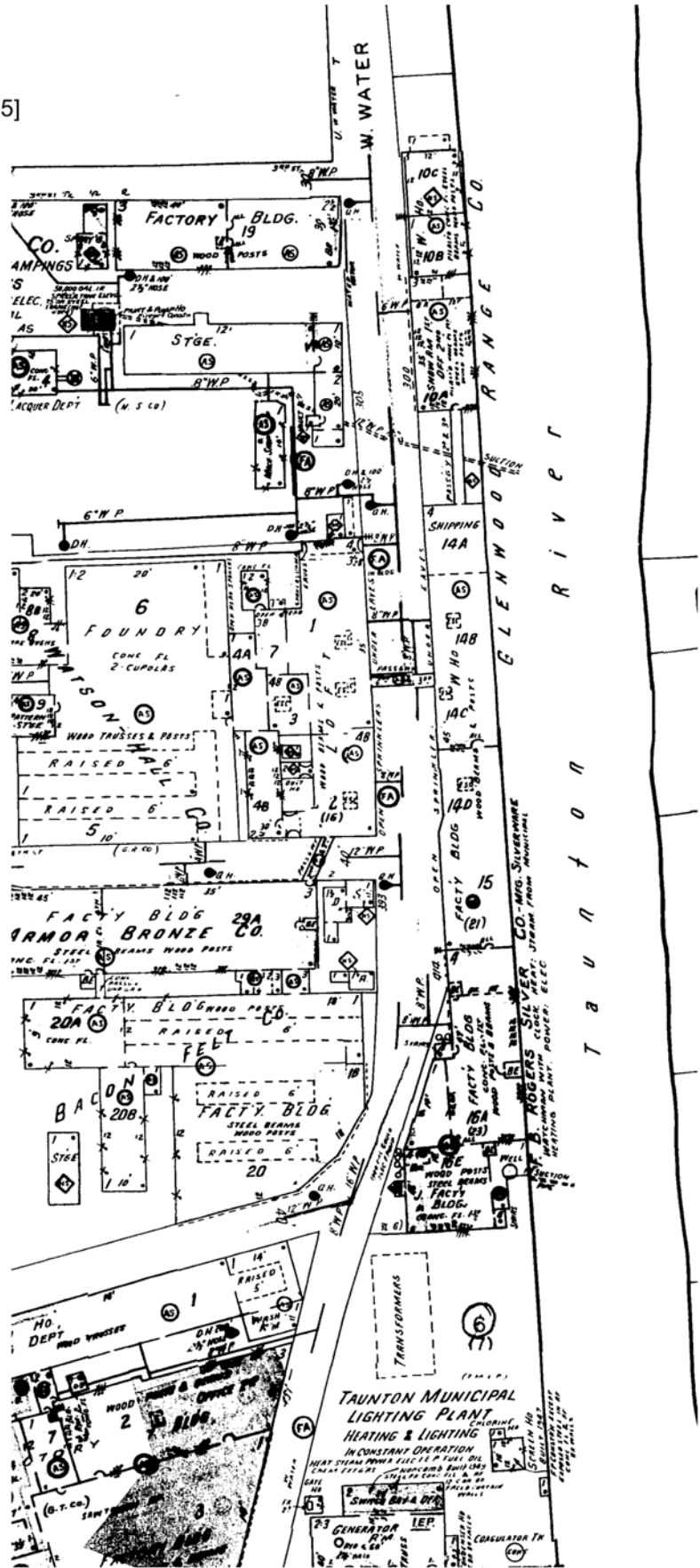
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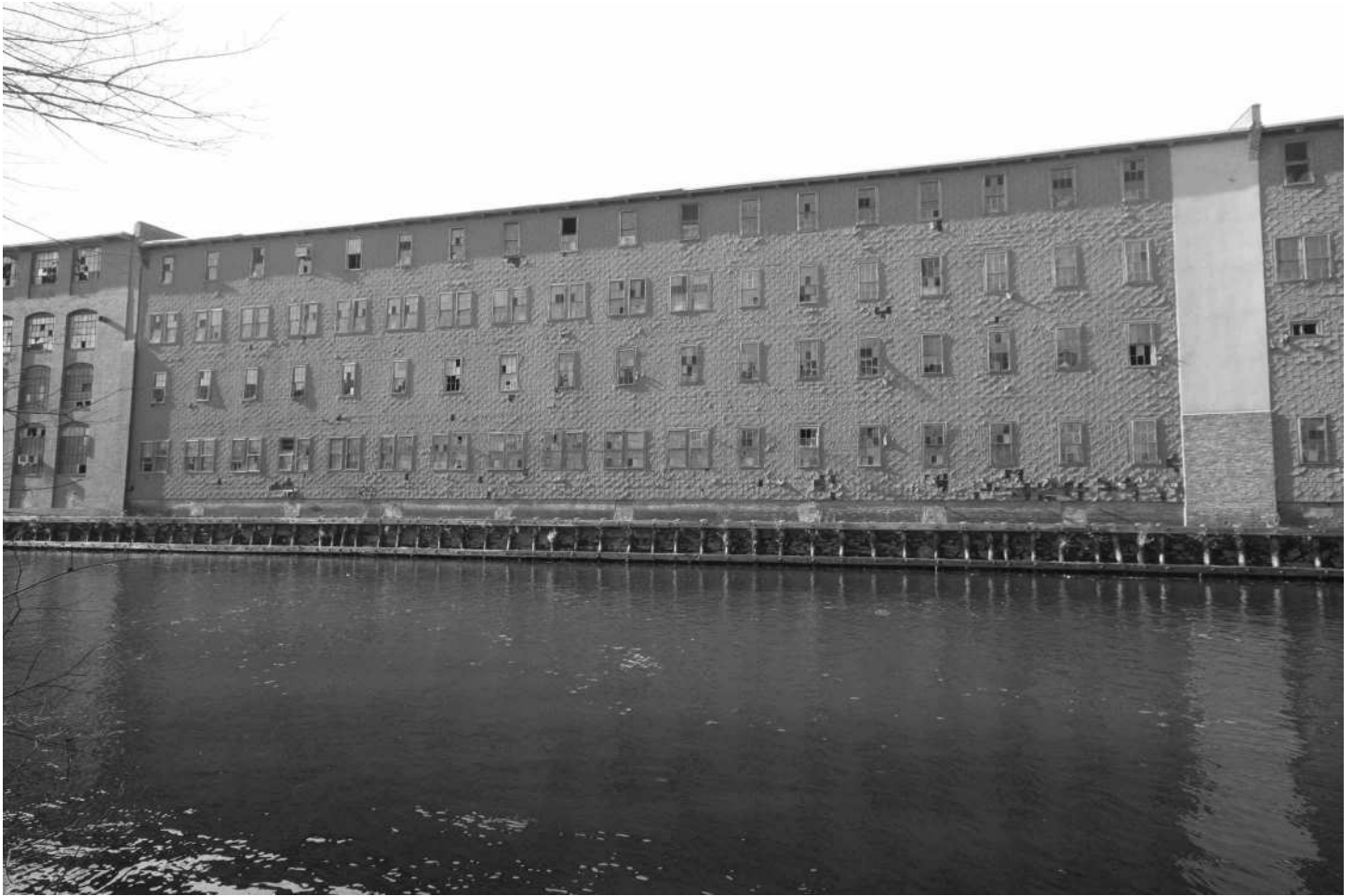




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