## Mark Demerest, Prosperous Business Man

There are few men better known in Gaylord or Otsego County than Mark Demerest, and few, if any, more popular, as is demonstrated by the unusually large patronage he enjoys in the sale of beverages of all kinds as well as cigars and such other goods as are usually found in up to date sample rooms. His new building and fixtures are among the most pretentious and best appointed in Michigan, and his house is one that keeps within the bounds of the law, nothing against the statutes of either village or country being tolerated. In connection with his sample room he conducts a first class restaurant and meal are served at all hours in a neat and prompt manner. In the fall of 1901 he erected a fine brick block on the corner of Main and E streets which is occupied by himself on the east side and the Palace Barber shop on the west side. His residence is west of the railroad tracks and among the nicest in town. Mark is an all around good citizen. He takes a deep interest in everything that tends to the advancement and beautifying of the town. He is by nature a born horseman. In his stables can always found one or more of the fast class and several good drivers. Horses of his have captured several first and second places at Bay City and Saginaw race meets.



