

way, and sleeps his last sleep under the shadow of the Rocky Mountains.

**Archibald Salmon** was one of the early cabinet makers here, and an excellent workman, an accommodating neighbor and good citizen. He removed to a farm in Wyoming Township in 1851, where he spent the remainder of his life, and passed away in 1887, aged 78 years.

**Aaron Dikeman**, a native of Norwalk, Conn., was the first jeweler who established a regular trade here. He came in 1837, and worked diligently at his business thirty years, when he retired from active life. He was distinguished for his perfect honor, truth and probity, winning and holding the fullest love and confidence of his fellow men. He was a Freemason, and one of the organizers of Grand River Lodge, No. 34; and was also one of the original members of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. In the early days he was interested in river navigation. With him money might have been left uncounted, or jewels unreceipted. He was fair and just to all, the highest and humblest alike, and between any dishonorable act and beggary would have chosen beggary on the instant. No better words need be spoken of any man. He died in 1882, upward of eighty-six years of age.

**James McCray** came to Grandville in 1838, and settled in Grand Rapids about five years later. He was one of the early iron founders and machinists, a skilled workman, and for uprightness and integrity had the golden opinions of all who knew him. He died suddenly while sitting in his chair, in 1851.

**George Young** was a thoroughly just and companionable citizen, influential in the organization and support of the First Reformed Church, giving liberally of his means to the erection in 1842 of their first house of worship at the corner of Bridge and Ottawa streets. Mr. Young settled in Grand Rapids in 1837. He lived a little outside of town, but his interests and feelings were so closely interwoven with those of its citizens as to make him practically one of them. His ancestors were from the Netherlands, and settled at an early day on the Hudson River near Albany. He was largely instrumental in procuring the settlement of the Holland colony in Ottawa county in 1847. He was 71 years of age at the time of his death in 1870.

**Henry Stone** in 1837, built a house on the west side of Kent