

JOHN DONGES & CO.

Hubs and Spokes.

IN 1851 Mr. Donges came to Hamilton from Germany, where he had learned his trade as a carpenter. He worked at his trade and finally became a workman in the spoke factories and ultimately became interested in the business. He was for twenty-five years connected with the various concerns engaged in the hub, spoke and bent-wood business in the water power factories along the river. In 1872 he built the factory on the C. H. & D. road between Hanover and Walnut Streets. There is associated with him Mr. John Schumacher who has a special interest in the hub department of the business. The articles manufactured are hubs, spokes, felloes, bows, shafts, poles, and turned and sawed timber. The shop is equipped with its own saw mill and with all the necessary machinery for the class of goods manufactured, and these goods are sold throughout the country and are also exported very largely.