

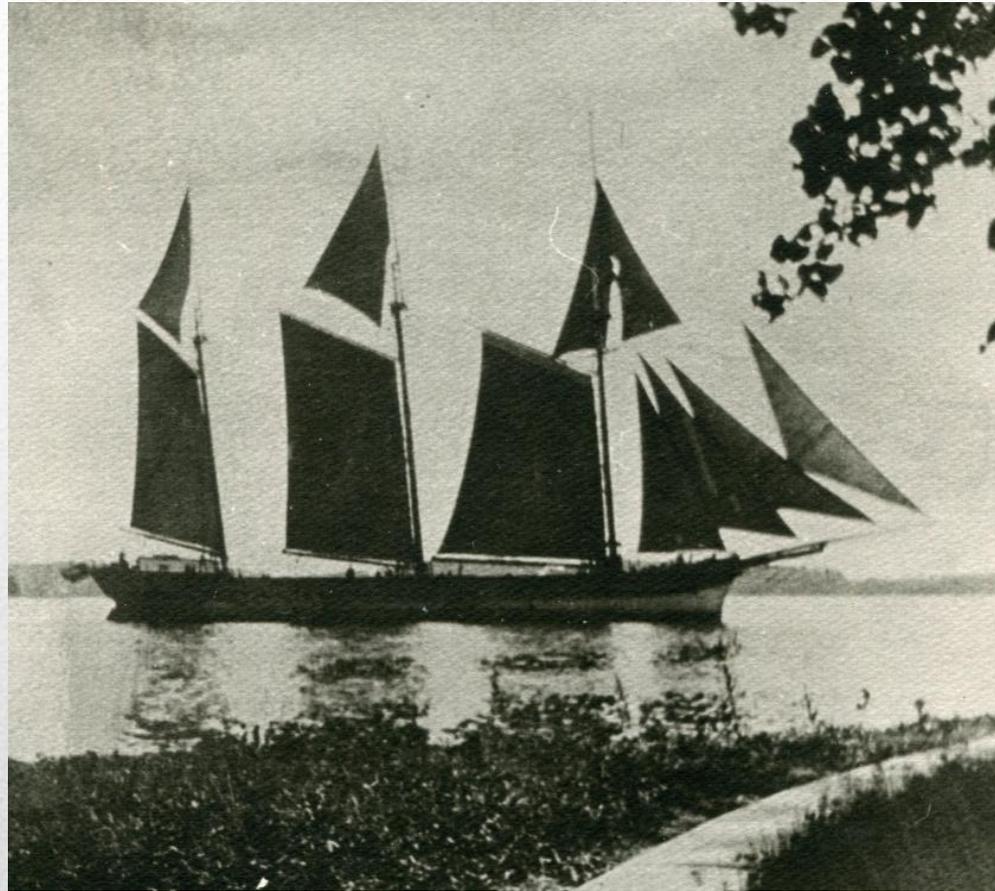


Williamson History Machine

**Planes, Trains, and Automobiles
and the occasional horse and buggy!**



**Horse and buggies on
Main Street Williamson.**



Prior to liquid fuels like oil and diesel, coal and wind were king in the 19th century.



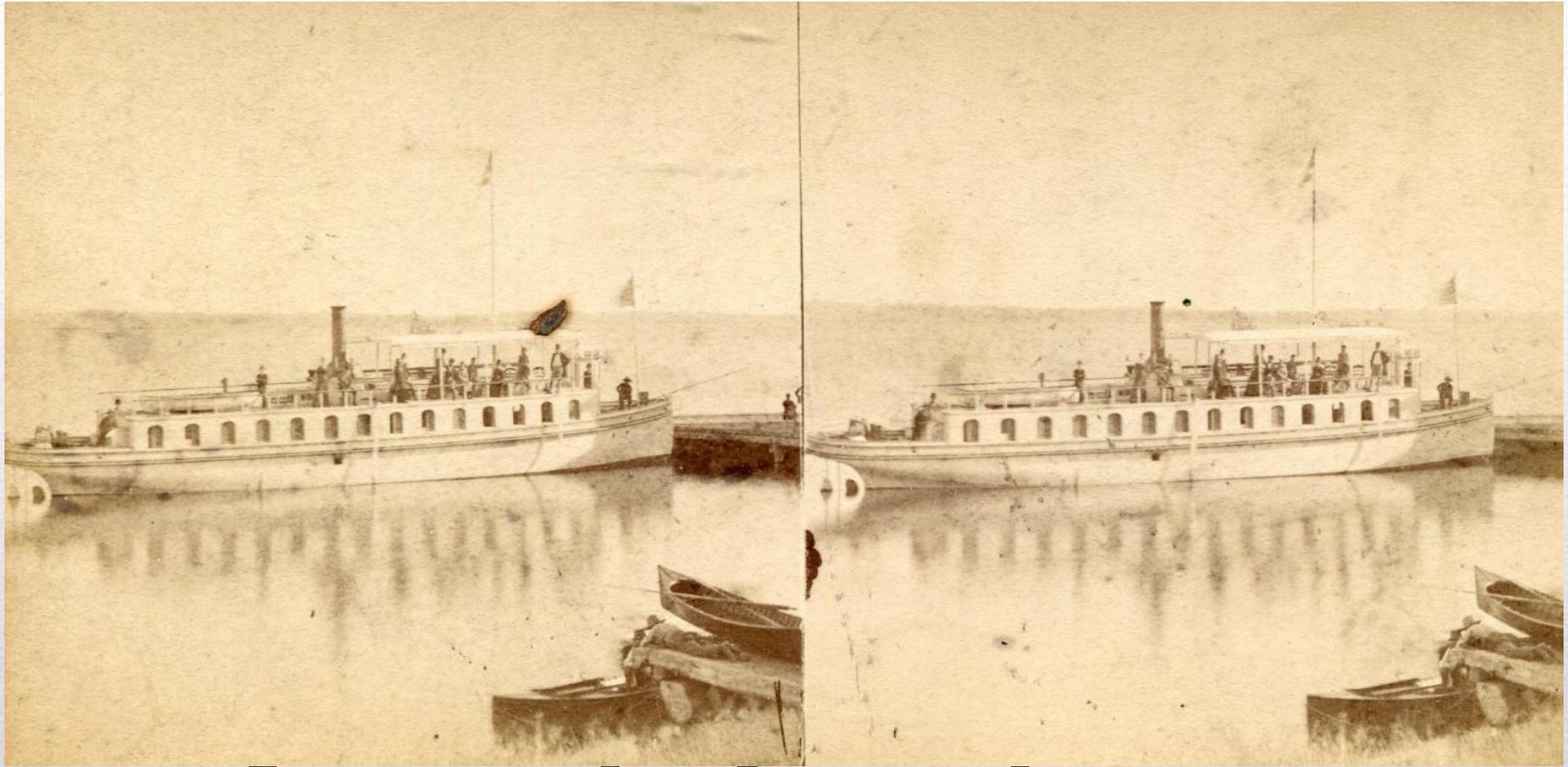
**More horses and buggies on Main St.
Can you imagine the mess?**



Main St. Williamson. Note multiple means of transport, both cable cars and horses are available. Cable cars ran on electricity. Note the overhead wires.

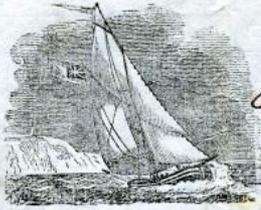


This photo shows both sail on the left and a coal powered tug boat on the right.



An example of an early steam vessel in Pultneyville

The picture shows the ship side by side. This was viewed through a stereoscopic viewer to give the illusion of three dimensions.



BELLEVILLE, *15 May* 1857

SHIPPED this day, by *J. Haven*, for account, risk of
 when it may concern, on board the *Stable*
Anchor Halling Master, the undermentioned Property,
 in good order and condition, to be delivered in like order and condi-
 tion as consigned at the Port of *Pullneyville*
 dangers of navigation excepted. Freight and charges payable by
Toward Todd

MARKS.	NO. PCS.	DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY.	WEIGHT. cwt. qrs. lbs.	RATE	SHIPPERS' CHARGES.	AMOUNT FREIGHT.	TOTAL AMOUNT.	
		<i>60865 ft Lumber</i>			<i>84.50</i>		<i>198 18</i>	
		<i>5,000 Shingles</i>		<i>1 H</i>			<i>5 - -</i>	
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		<i>2 1/2 bushels Peas</i>					<i>6 H. 15 -</i>	
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		<i>Freight payable to captain</i>						
		<i>@ 18500 per 100 \$ 90.54</i>						
		<i>Charges on fork shingles</i>						
		<i>Grass seed &c</i>					<i>2.00</i>	
						<i>92.54</i>		
		<i>J. Haven</i>						
		<i>W'd the above bill</i>						
		<i>of freight & goods</i>						

This is a bill of laden. It shows the purchase of lumber for a project. Even then, commerce generated paper work and records.

Parliament House
Quebec 29th April 1811
Capt A. N. Throop
Dear Sir,
As the navigation
is now open and I have not yet
heard from you, I take the liberty
of writing you to enquire when I
shall see about engaging a crew
and whether I shall go to Charlotte
or Ogdensburgh for the boat - also
whether I shall secure the services of the
Pilot and mate -
I had not the pleasure of
meeting Mr Phelps when he was here,
although I went up to Montreal to see
him: but he left on the same morning
of my arrival there - Hoping to hear from
you shortly
I remain yours Respectfully,
A. N. D'Ellet

This letter states that lake navigation is now open on the St. Lawrence River and asks when the gentlemen would like his shipment made.

No. 1394

Buffalo, August 18th



Shipped, In good order and condition, by **CURTIS, MANN &**
Agents and Forwarders, for account and at the risk of whom it may concern, on
John Isabell whereof

the following Articles, as herein marked and described, to be delivered in like good
condition as addressed, or to his or their Assigns, upon paying the Freight and Charges as noted below, (the
Navigation, Fire and Collisions excepted.) In Witness Whereof, The said Master hath affirmed to two Bills
of this tenor and date, one of which being accomplished, the other stand void.

Robert Watson
Alleghany City, Pa

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~~John Raybalt ptow~~

John Neave
Erie Pa

~~J. Neave. Will please remit all
Charges~~

Am of 34.71
Lft of 3.70
\$38.41

Curtis Mann
Arbas
~~Rem of Capt A. H. H. H.~~
O. M. M. M.
Arbas

See next slide for explanation.

- Each piece or scrap reveals more information. If you look carefully at the previous slide you will find that the shipment starts in Buffalo. You might also note that there is no sales tax on the order. Furthermore, you might have noticed that the agent is Curtis Mann and the ship that the goods were traveling on was the Isabel. Not bad for a scrap of paper in the achieves of the Williamson/Pultneyville Historical Society.
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W. A. Shrop
 In use with B. Todd & Sons
 1858

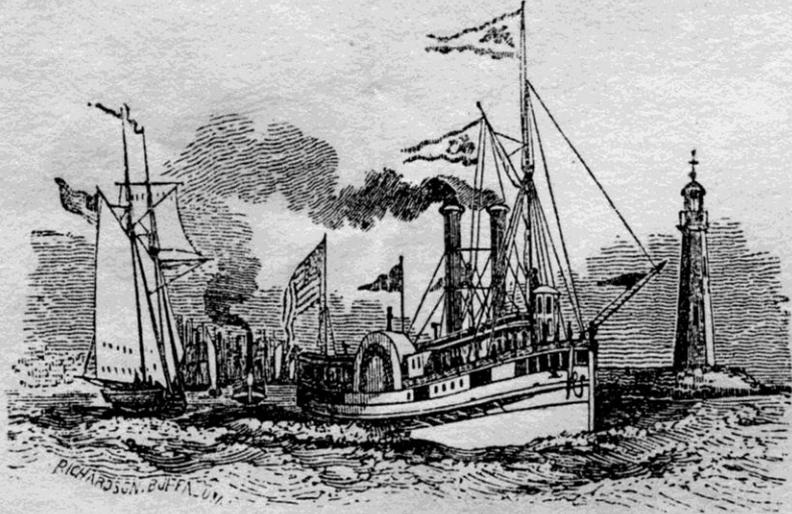
April 13	To 2 ^d Trails 3 (Apr 14)	2 ^d Cracker 9	\$	28
" 14	" 4 th Sugar 9	1 Ball Wick 6	\$	44
" 16	" 2 ^d Eggs 10 (Apr 25)	2 ^d Coffee 14		53
" 28	" 1 Broom 16	1 Bark 11		64
May 3	" 1 st Birds 5 (May 8)	1 st Mason Shovel 57		68
" 13	" 1 st White Fish 6 (May 18)	4 th Butter 16		72
" 20	" 5 th Codfish 6 (May 21)	1 gal Molasses 14		84
" 21	" 2 ^d Coffee 13	2 ^d Raisins 16		69
June 5	" 4 th Butter 15 (June 8)	2 ^d Soda 11		85
" 8	" 1 Comb 6	2 ^d Cheese 8		25
" 12	" 1 Coat to Atlantic 11	1 Ball 11		117

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- The document on the previous slide shows Captian Troop's records from 1858 from the months of April to September. Items on the records are for everyday things like purchasing four pounds of butter on June 5th for 85 cents or 21.25 cents per pound to buttons and fasteners on August 21st for 37 cents. This is a record of his household account and shows things like butter, coffee, and cheese being purchased every month. This also indicates his relative wealth as he purchased butter and cheese rather than produced them himself.
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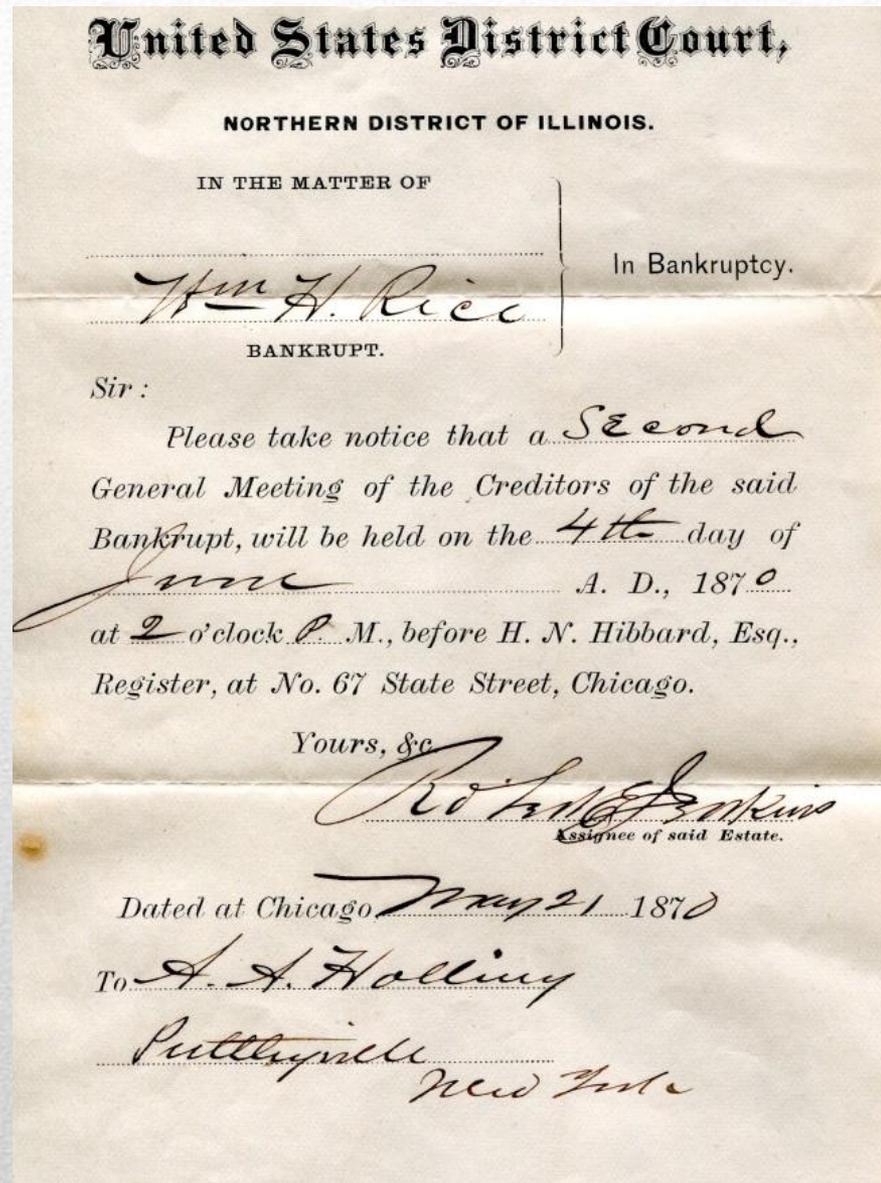
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The document on the previous slide is also from a shipping manifest but the graphic is enlarged as it shows a beautiful example of a paddle wheeler and a sail boat. The Oswego lighthouse still exists.

One mode of transportation doesn't replace another immediately, it took decades for the auto to replace the horse and buggy just as it did for steam to replace wind.

**Not everything
always went
hunky dory in
the world of
business as
sometimes
businesses
went bankrupt,
just as they do
today.**





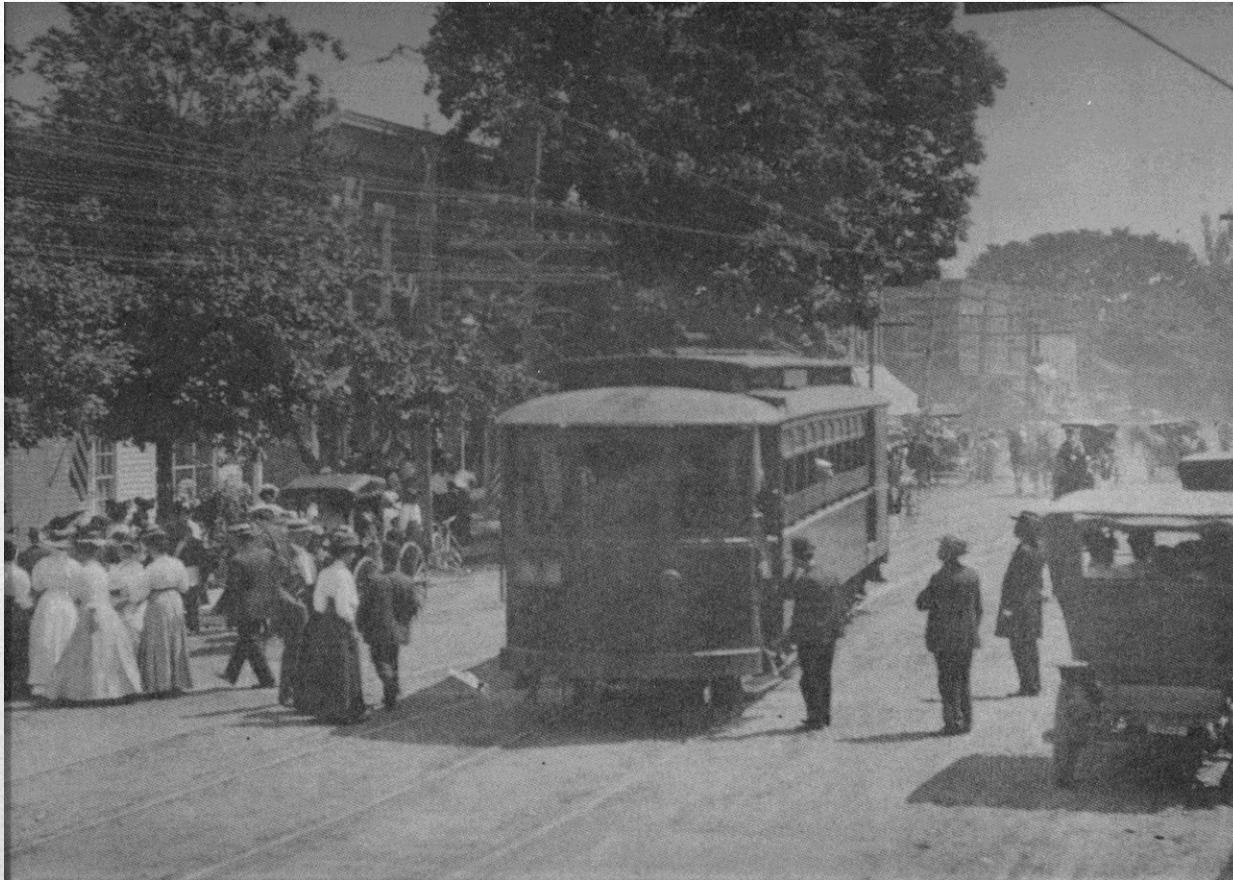
With electricity came cable cars...

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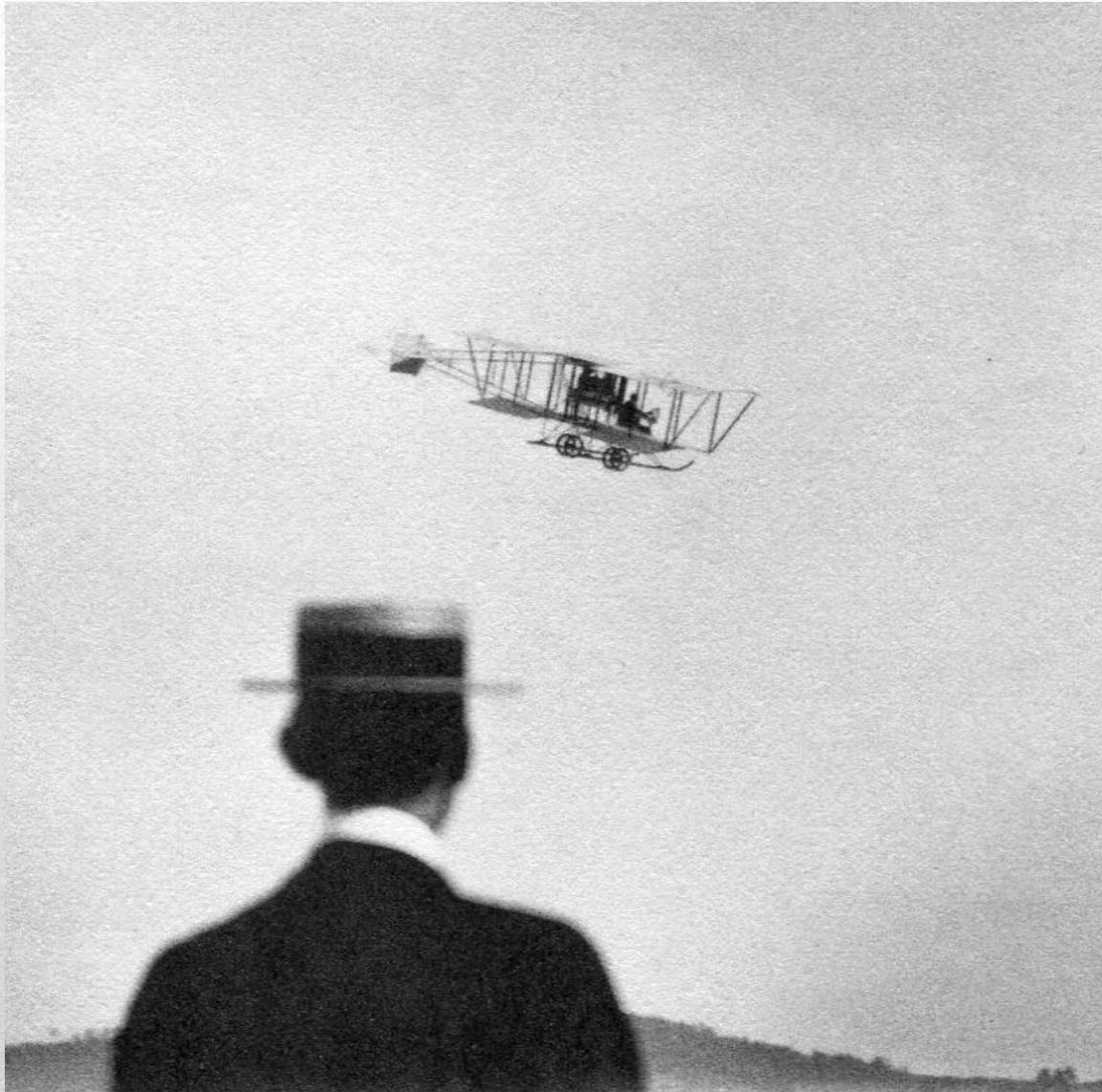
and with it ...

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**greater access
to other towns and cities.**

Photo courtesy Image Junction Salon



**But other new
methods of
transportation
were on the
horizon. A very
early airplane
makes an
appearance in
Williamson.
Year and model
unknown.**

Plane is similar in style to the Wright Brother's Flyer. More likely it's a model from Hammond's Glenn Curtis Co.



Ford Tri-Motor 1930

The Ford Tri-Motor (furthest from camera) became the nation's first reliable passenger carrier because the three engines provided reliability that previous planes did not have.