Countinghouse Lofts – Hamilton Manufacturing Company Storehouse and Countinghouse *Ca. 1865 and ca. 1870*

Building History

The Hamilton Manufacturing Company was incorporated in 1825 for the purpose of manufacturing cotton and woolen goods, becoming the second of Lowell's original ten large textile corporations. The Hamilton site was situated between the Pawtucket and Hamilton canals. By 1842 the Hamilton Manufacturing Company had 21,248 spindles and 590 looms in three mills producing flannels, prints, and drillings. By 1866, a fifth mill was in production for a total of 50,268 spindles and 1,350 looms.

Several building campaigns expanded the size of the millyard. By 1882, all of the original buildings on the northern bank of the Hamilton Canal had been replaced by building efforts. When the Hamilton Manufacturing Company started cutting back its operations in 1923, the company began demolishing its boardinghouses along its southernmost boundary. The remaining structures were owned by various entities by the mid-1950s.

Counting House Lofts along Jackson Street is located in the former Hamilton Company Countinghouse (ca. 1870) and Storehouse (ca. 1865). Designed in the Italianate style, both buildings replaced earlier Hamilton buildings. Work was completed in 2015 by the Winn Companies on this \$20 million project that transformed these two former mill buildings into 52 mixed-income apartments.



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