

ISCHUA VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

WHO'S WHO IN ISCHUA VALLEY GEORGE R. WARREN

Although the name George R. Warren may not be familiar to people in Franklinville today, he left behind an important architectural history for this area.

He was born in Machias in 1855 and was taken to live in Darien, New York as a toddler, following the accidental death of his mother. He later moved to Michigan. As a young man he traveled between New York and Michigan and learned the trade of a carpenter while in Machias.

In 1881 he moved to Franklinville and began work for the Dean & Spring Company. He worked there for 16 years before deciding to go into business for himself. In 1891 he married Agnes Murphy of Belfast.



He built and sold 10 residences in Franklinville. He was the director of the Franklinville Improvement Company and was in charge of erecting 30 houses during 1912. In 1908 he built a saw mill, which was operated by electric power. He was president of the George R. Warren Co., doing a lumber and saw mill business.

Among the many local buildings he erected were the Fire Hall, the Chronicle Building and the largest frame building of the Ontario Knife Company. He also served as a village trustee. George Warren died on November 10th, 1924, and was buried in Machias.

Information was obtained from the book: FRANKLINVILLE, NEW YORK IN PICTURES AND STORY, by Roy Van Hoesen.