

Perkins Block, 202 Main Street

John C. Perkins, Manufacturing Confectioner, Perkins Block, 202 Main street, Norwich, CT. Without question the representative establishment of its kind in this section is that conducted by Mr. John C. Perkins in Perkins Block, Main street, and it is no discredit to other houses in a similar line of business that such should be the case, for the "enterprise to which we have reference was inaugurated many years ago and has been conducted with marked ability almost from its inception. Operations were begun in 1859 by Mr. David L. Gale, he being followed by Messrs. S. B. and H. G. Ransom, who gave place to Mr. H. G. Ransom, who was succeeded by Messrs. Perkins & Root; the present proprietor assuming sole control in 1864. He built the elegant edifice now occupied, in 1871, the premises comprising five floors of the dimensions of 75 X 33 feet. Mr. Perkins is a manufacturing confectioner, and utilizes one of the most completely (quipped factories in New England. He does a very heavy wholesale and retail business and has a most enviable reputation for offering strictly reliable goods at the very lowest market rates. Among the more prominent specialties handled may be mentioned the celebrated "English Wafer Lozenges", which have gained such great and abiding popularity. Mr. Perkins was the first and the originator who introduced these elegant goods into this market and his products have never been successfully imitated although many attempts have been made to do so. Employment is afforded to ten competent assistants, and every caller is assured immediate and courteous attention.

