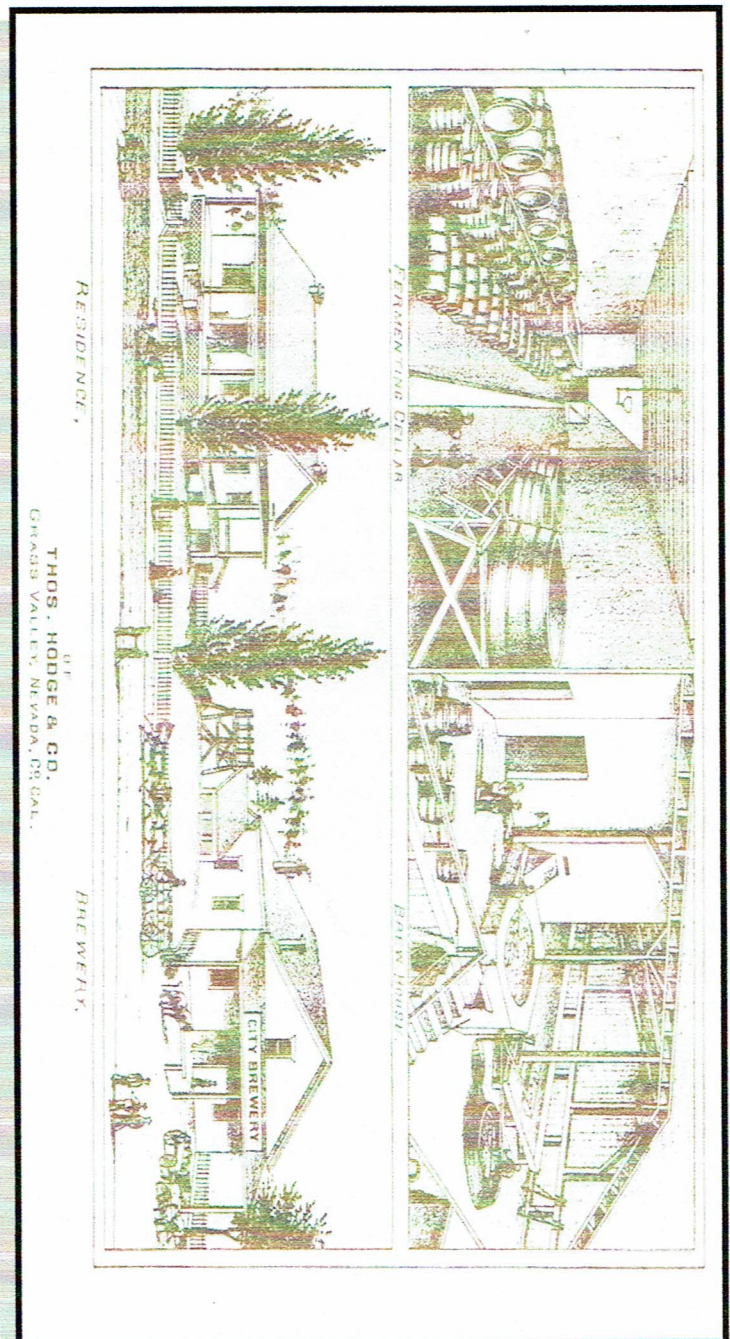


# WALSH SAWMILL/CITY BREWERY



At this site on the edge of old Grass Valley where Wolf Creek flows toward Boston Ravine, Judge James Walsh established a sawmill which provided lumber for a mining camp as it evolved into a small city. Built in July of 1850, it was Grass Valley's first business enterprise. Mill Street intersected by Walsh Street as so named for this enterprise and early pioneer. Judge Walsh was elected Justice of the Peace for the town of Grass Valley. He served as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and as a State Senator.

In later years, Thomas Hodge built the City Brewery which continued operations under the direction of various owners from 1873 to 1909. Thomas Hodge was a resident of Grass Valley for 55 years. He passed away at his stone Cornish-style cottage located next door which exists to this day. The City Brewery made regular trips with four to six large wagons to every mining camp within a 30 mile radius.

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