

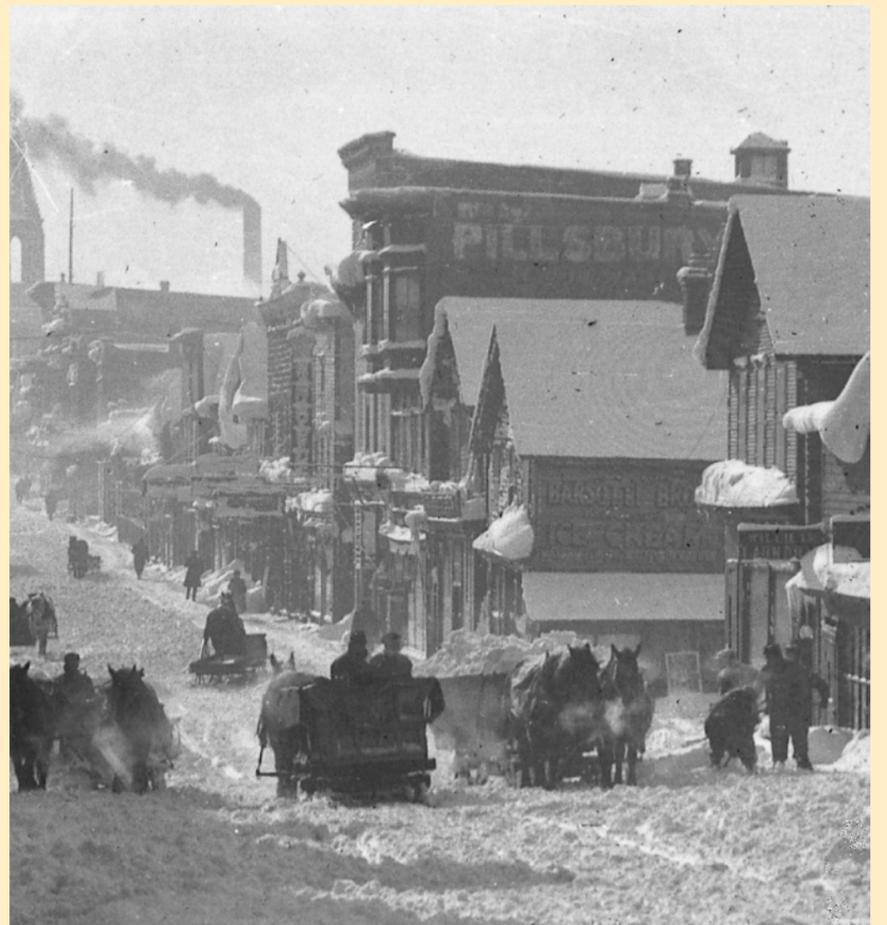
339 5th Street ca. 1875



NPS, Keweenaw NHP, Curto Mounted, Barsotti Brothers Interior, 1914

The business now known as Bucko's Party Store has occupied this building continuously since ca. 1904. Prior to that time, other businesses were located here, including a clothing store. The Gately-Wiggins Department Store, a familiar name to many local residents, got their start in Calumet here too, prior to erecting their own building on Sixth Street.

Around 1904 Dusala Barsotti opened a confectionery here with Angelo Dell'Osso. By 1907, the Barsotti family had bought out Dell'Osso, and ran the business until about 1960. There have been many different owners since then, and product lines and the name of the store have changed to keep pace with the times. In the photo, right, Barsottis is the second building in from the corner. Also note their painted ice cream ad on the corner building.



NPS, Keweenaw NHP, Marzene slide 45, 5th Street ca. 1915

In 1913 this building was occupied by Barsotti Brothers Confectionery and Fruits. The Barsottis also made ice cream, and had an ice cream parlor and soda fountain in the store. The Barsotti brothers, Peter and Arthur, resided in the apartment on the second floor of the building with their widowed mother Dusala and their sister Gemma, who also worked in the store.