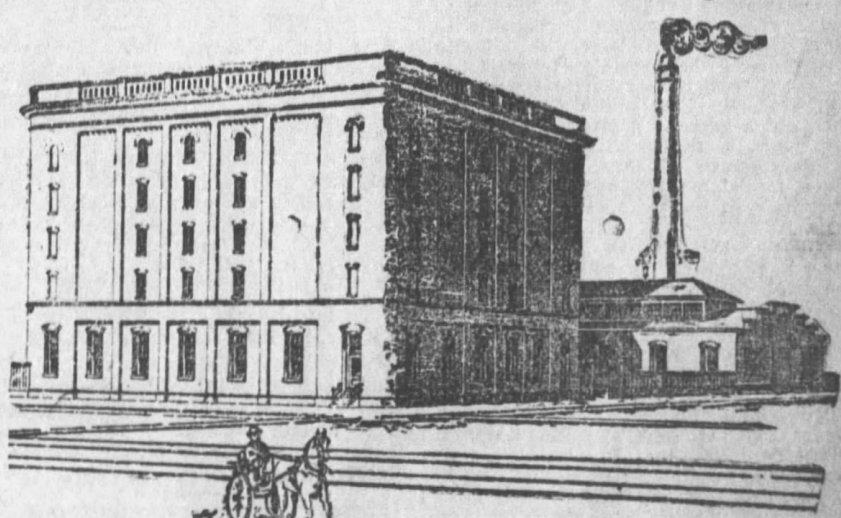


Los Angeles house will be the home ship.

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The cut shows the new buildings to be erected by the Los Angeles Ice and Cold Storage Company. The foundations have been in progress for several weeks, while work on the buildings will begin before the end of the month, and be finished by the 1st of March. The plans were prepared by Architects Eisen & Wyman, and the work of construction is under their supervision. The buildings will stand on a lot, 244x 215 feet, on the northeast corner of Fourth street and Central avenue, and they will consist of a five-story and basement brick, 100x100 feet, used as a cold-storage house, and a single-story brick power-house, 50x100 feet.

A special feature of the cold storage building, which has not heretofore been found further west than Chicago, is an arrangement by which cold storage rooms are provided for furs, woolen fabrics, carpets, rugs and all goods liable to injury by moths. Fine upholstered furniture can also be stored in this way, and kept safe from the attacks of such insects indefinitely.

In the process of cooling brine from the power-house is forced through pipes to the cooling rooms of the storage building. There it passes through a coil of pipes so arranged that the surrounding air can be cooled to almost any point desired. This cold air is then forced into other rooms by electric fans and similar devices. The brine, having done the work required, passes to the power-house, where it is again cooled and is ready for more work of the kind described. By this process a uniformly low temperature can be maintained.

The power-house will also furnish refrigeration for the business section of the city. This will be accomplished by means of refrigerating pipes running to any building in which it is desired to have them installed. The process in this case is different from that described, but it is equally effective, and can be supplied at a comparatively smaller expense. A franchise for this purpose was granted to the company by the City Council about a year ago.

The new plant when installed will represent an expenditure of over \$200,000.