

## History of the Wilkins Brush Factory

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### OAKLAND HAIR WORKS.

A. D. Bogert was manufacturing fillings for mattresses, chairs, etc., under the name of the Wood Type Manufacturing Company, in and before 1876. He made his product from wood fibre, weeds, etc., and carried on the business for many years. This industry was largely increased by the Wilkens Brothers, who came to the village in 1894, and purchased from S. P. Demarest forty acres of land, upon which they erected a number of buildings. They ship fibres, hogs' hair, and various products from every known country on the globe, by train load, and do a business in curled hair and in materials for brushes, mattresses, etc., world wide. They employ about 100 men.

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