

## BRICK STREETS FOR Crawfordsville

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The News-Review ventures the assertion that before the present year has expired the business streets of Crawfordsville will be paved with Crawfordsville brick. On the face of it the proposition seems absurd, owing to the fact that Crawfordsville is turning out no paving brick, but we have reasonable assurance that this defect will shortly be remedied. Since he severed his connection with the Veedersburg Brick plant, Mr. Irwin G. Poston has been casting about for a location and unless present plans miscarry, his home town will be the one selected. Mr. Poston has associated with himself several Crawfordsvillians and a company for the manufacture of paving and vitrified brick will shortly be incorporated. They have nothing to ask of Crawfordsville but good will and of that they can rest assured. An option has been secured on the Martin pressed brick plant, north of the Monon bridge but the shale it affords but the plant will be located somewhere near the junction on account of the shipping facilities. They have several suitable sites in that vicinity under consideration. The plant as proposed will cost about \$60,000 and will employ from 50-75 men. Mr. Poston has made an investigation of the shale at the Martin plant and finds that it is equal in all respects to the Veedersburg material. And better still the supply is almost inexhaustible. The cost of transferring the raw material therefrom can be made up in the saving of switching charges on the output. Mr. Poston is the founder of the Veedersburg plant which is one of the greatest industries in western Indiana and what he did for that he can do for this one. The proposed plant means much to the business interests of this city and the promoters should be given every encouragement. - kbz