

# SHOE FACTORY FOR RED WING

## Chas. Beckman to Be at the Head of the New En- terprise.

The manufacturing interests of Red Wing are going forward with rapid strides. No sooner had one company been organized and successfully launched, than another is started and carried to a successful issue. The last project which has been definitely decided upon is a shoe factory.

The originator of the project is Charles Beckman who has for a number of years cherished the idea which will now be carried out. A stock company with \$100,000 capital will be organized, the paid up capital at the beginning to be \$30,000. The full amount has already been subscribed for and there are still more looking for stock in the institution.

The factory will probably employ 100 people to begin with, and the possibility that it will some day employ several times that number are generally conceded. Among the locations which the company has in view is the old baseball grounds in East Red Wing and adjacent property. It is the intention to begin work on the building, which will be a large one story structure to begin with, as soon as weather will permit, and to carry it to completion at the earliest possible moment. It will thus be seen that Red Wing promises to become an important centre in the manufacture of shoes as in other lines which have made Red Wing famous.

The project, however, depends upon one condition which Mr. Beckman has made, namely that his retail shoe business shall be off his hands before he takes hold of the new company. There are a variety of ways in which this can be accomplished and no difficulty in this direction is anticipated. A comprehensive statement of the plan by which it is proposed to dispose of his present business will be made very soon.

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