

## **MILL STREET ARCHITECTURAL CONTEXT**

The Mill Street Neighborhood includes the following streets:

- Mill Street (Union Street to Maine Street)
- Bow and Cabot Streets
- Riverbank area east of Maine Street

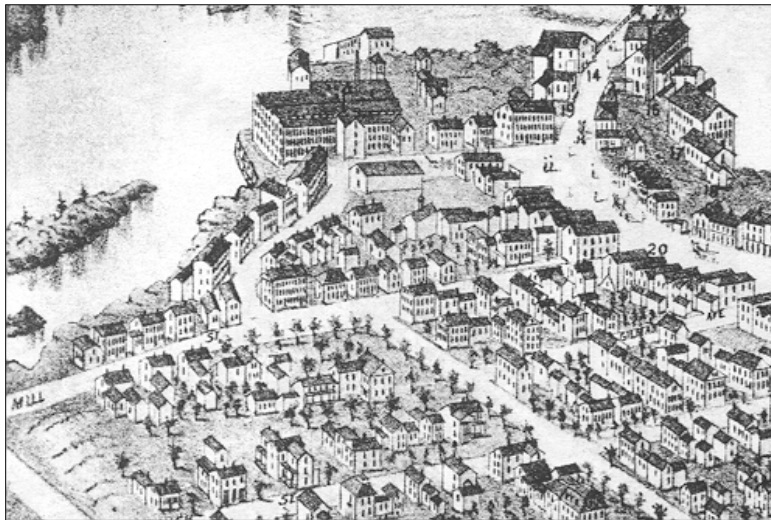
This neighborhood is one of six neighborhoods that comprise the Village Review District in Brunswick. Route One divides this neighborhood, which was once at the heart of Brunswick's textile mill industry.

The Route One bypass destroyed many of the tenements and commercial buildings associated with the industrial age. However, the south side of Mill Street retains numerous buildings from the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century. These three-story, wood frame buildings with commercial storefronts on the first floor and housing on the upper floors typify industrial era vernacular architecture.

The Cabot Mill (now called Fort Andross) anchors the north end of Brunswick and signifies the importance of the town's industrial heritage. While this neighborhood's architectural history has been greatly altered, the remaining buildings, both the mill and modest tenement buildings, reflect a significant aspect of Brunswick's 19<sup>th</sup> century heritage.



*Above:* These wood frame structures on Mill Street are representative of the character of the neighborhood during the mid-nineteenth century.



*Left:* A portion of the 1877 map of Brunswick illustrates the density of buildings in the Mill Street Neighborhood.