
WALKING HISTORY TOUR

Canton Gas & Electric Co Plant

Canton Gas & Electric Co was originally called The Canton Gas Light Company started in 1876 on West Locust St east of Big Creek. In 1906, when it changed its name to Canton Gas and Electric Co, the president was William Parlin and the Vice President was W. P. Ingersoll. In 1916, they started to manufacture ice when they purchased Van Winkle Lake. In 1923, the company was sold to Central Illinois Public Service who was later purchased by Ameren.

