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Industry and Invention (1875-1915)

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Marker Location

Address:

City: Albion

State: MI ZipCode: 49224

County: Calhoun

Township: Albion

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The Observatory

The Albion College Astronomical Observatory was built in 1883-84 at the urging of Dr. Samuel Dickie, who later became president of the college. Dickie helped raise ten thousand dollars to build and equip the facility. The observatory still harbors its original telescope, transit circle, sidereal clock and chronograph. The building has housed classrooms, a bookstore, faculty offices and the West Michigan Methodist Conference archives. In 1984 it was refurbished as the college Ethics Center.

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