



The Fountain
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"In 1905, the National Humane Alliance of NYC presents a large drinking fountain to the city of Rochester in memory of Hermon Lee Ensign, briefly a Rochester resident. The fountain is polished granite. Water pours into the main basin from the mouths of carved lions. Teams of horses stand about it to drink. A common cup is placed there for people to use, while dogs and other small animals drink from a number of small basins beneath. This humane and practical gift becomes the ornamental centerpiece of the new market."