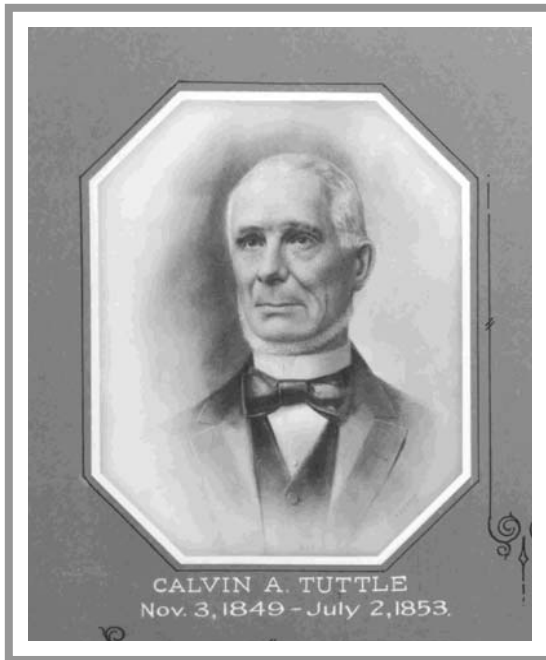


Calvin Tuttle



Calvin A. Tuttle was a Minnesota pioneer, a millwright hired by Franklin Steele to build a mill on the St. Croix River. Tuttle arrived at the Dalles of the St. Croix (Wisconsin Territory then) in July 1838. In the 1840s he laid claim to huge tracts of land east of St. Anthony Falls on the Mississippi river, purchasing them as soon as Minnesota became a Territory in 1848. He had a home on the river bank where Tuttle's Brook entered the river, but moved to the west side of the river in 1840 to restore the government's old grist mill. There he and his family were neighbors of John Stevens—the only non-military white people permitted to reside on the west bank at the time.

Calvin Tuttle was a farmer, miller, bridge company partner and land speculator. He sold to the University of Minnesota its original tract of land on the east bank of the Minneapolis campus: the Knoll, where Old Main was constructed in the 1850s. Tuttle School (in all three of its buildings since 1883) was named after Calvin Tuttle, who had bought nearly all the land that is today's Como neighborhood by 1851. Brook Ave. SE is named after the area where Tuttle's Brook began its formation, and today's 16th Ave. SE north of Como Ave. was originally named Tuttle St.



Upper left depiction of Calvin A. Tuttle included in the 1860 grouping of Minnesota's "Territorial Treasurers": Henry W. Carling, Minnesota Historical Society

Upper right photo of a Tuttle School classroom: 1921, Minneapolis Public Schools

Lower middle photo of the new Tuttle School at 18th & Talmadge Aves SE; this was the 3rd Tuttle School and the first one at this location: 1910, Minneapolis Public Schools

