



Above: The McCracken family home at 409 West Madison Street, ca. 1900.



Right: William H. McCracken in the 1880s. Will owned the first bicycle in Waterloo. Here he is correctly attired for cycling. The large front wheel measured 57" and notice the wooden spokes. Will was active in the family grain dealing business, telegrapher, assistant station master and ticket agent at the railroad depot. The bequest Will McCracken left to the community, built Waterloo's first library.