



HO Structure Kit WATER STREET BUILDING 933-4203

Thanks for purchasing this Cornerstone kit. All parts are styrene plastic so use compatible glue and paint to assemble and finish your model. PLEASE NOTE: Many of the elaborate details found on the prototype are provided as separate pieces; you may find it easier to paint these on the sprue, then touch-up after installation. Please take a few minutes to read these instructions and study the drawings before starting construction, noting correct part numbers and locations for each wall.

Like its neighbors, the building at 1245 North Water Street in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, has led a long and colorful life in one of the city's most vibrant locations! Commissioned by brothers Joseph and George Siefer to house their wholesale liquor business, and completed at a cost of \$11,000 (about \$276,000 in 2019 dollars) in 1890, the new structure was a showplace in one of the city's most important shopping and business districts. Designed in the Richardson Romanesque Revival style, popular at the time for public and commercial buildings, the balance of construction was done with Milwaukee's own Cream City Brick (prized for its unique light-yellow color). Signature features including solid rough-hewn stonework, wide arched windows used alone and in groups, recessed raised entrances, inset smooth stone decoration, along with brick dentils and a frieze running just below the roof, adorned each of the street-side walls. The elaborate decoration also separated each floor, creating a layered look somewhat like a wedding cake. From the mid-1920s on, the structure was home to a succession of small businesses, but the best known from 1958 to 1969 (at least among model railroaders!) was Wm. K. Walther's, Inc. This was actually the company's third location, but the first building owned outright. Terminal Hobby (named for our second rented home in the Erie Terminal Building) occupied a small showroom outlet on the ground floor, while the rest of the building housed the wood and metal shops, die casting equipment, kit packing and print shop, as well as inventory for the new wholesale operations started in 1958 under Bruce Walther's leadership. After a succession of owners and occupants, the structure was again sold and refurbished in 1978, when two modern upper stories were added to attract additional tenants. Water Street remains one of the city's most exciting areas day or night, and the building is currently home to a popular eatery and numerous offices. On your layout, your new model is typical of ornate buildings of the Victorian Era, many of which have since been restored to their original glory. A perfect location for virtually any business, it's right at home on layouts from 1890 to the present day. For additional figures, vehicles and Cornerstone structures to complete your scene, see your dealer, visit us online at walthers.com or check out the current Model Railroad Reference Manual.

PLEASE NOTE: Carefully remove each wall from sprues to avoid damaging the small alignment pins molded along the lower edges. Insert pins on backs of details into openings in walls as shown.

Right Side Wall (6)

Ground Floor

1) Glue Stonework Sill (53) to mounting points at lower right. Glue Stone Banding with Window Base (56) to mounting points, above entry door. Glue Display Window Frame to large opening at lower left, glue Display Window (22) inside of Frame; align openings in Display Window Glass (91) with pins on back of Window, and glue together. Glue Small Lintel (61) to lower edge of small window opening. Glue Small Window (14) and Small Glass (97), Entry Door with Transom (19) and Door Glass (96) in place.

Second Floor

2) Glue Left (51; note the cornice fits the opening in the pilaster) and Right (68) Lintels to lower edge, and Right (75) and Left (78) Stone Banding above each window.

3) Bay Window

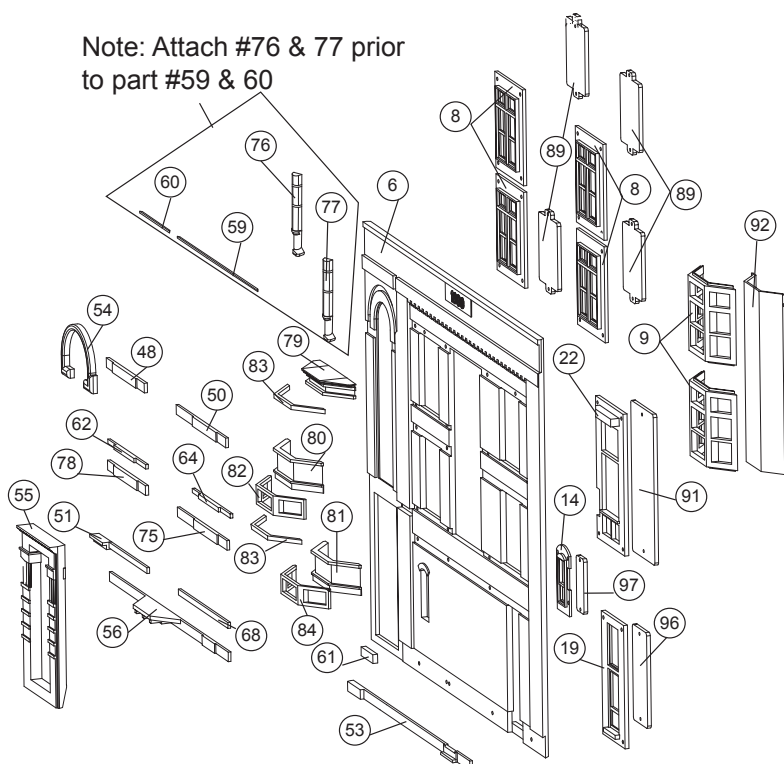
Glue Lower Brick Work (81) to top of Window Base on part #56, and Lower Trim (84) to inset portion on front of #81. Glue first Window (89) to top of Brick Work and inside opening in wall. Glue Middle Brick Work (80) to top of Window. Glue Middle Trim (82) to inset portion at center front and Trim Panel (83) to lower edge of #80. Glue second Window (89) to top of #80 and inside opening in wall. Glue Bay Window Roof (79) to top of Window, and Trim Panel (83) to lower edge of #79. Align openings on edges of Bay Window Glass (92) with pins on backs of Bay Windows and carefully glue where parts meet.

4) Second and Third Floors: Glue Large Double Windows (4x 8) to rear of wall as shown; align openings on Large Window Glass (4x 89) with pins on Windows and carefully glue where parts meet.

5) Third Floor:

Glue Left (62) and Right (64) Lintels to lower edge, and Left (48) and Right (50) Stone Banding above each window. Glue Arch (54) above inset area at left. Glue Right (76) and Left (77) Turret Motifs to top inset areas at upper left. Glue Small (6) Parapet Base above dentils, flush with top of wall above arch. Glue Large Parapet Base (59) to right of #77 flush with top of wall. Glue Stone Banding (48) below brickwork detail at center of arch.

Note: Attach #76 & 77 prior to part #59 & 60



Rear Wall (5)

PLEASE NOTE: All parts are attached from rear; sketch shows front of Wall.

6) Third Floor left to right

Glue Double (66) and Triple Arch Insert (65) to top of openings, glue Double Lintel (67) and Triple Lintel (63) to lower portion.

7) Second Story left to right:

Single window at left: glue Single Arch Insert (73) to top of opening, glue Single Lintel (70) to lower portion. Single Window in center: glue Single Arch Insert (73) to top of opening and Single Lintel (71) to lower portion. Glue Triple Arch Insert (65) at top and Triple Lintel (63) at lower portion of three side-by-side windows.

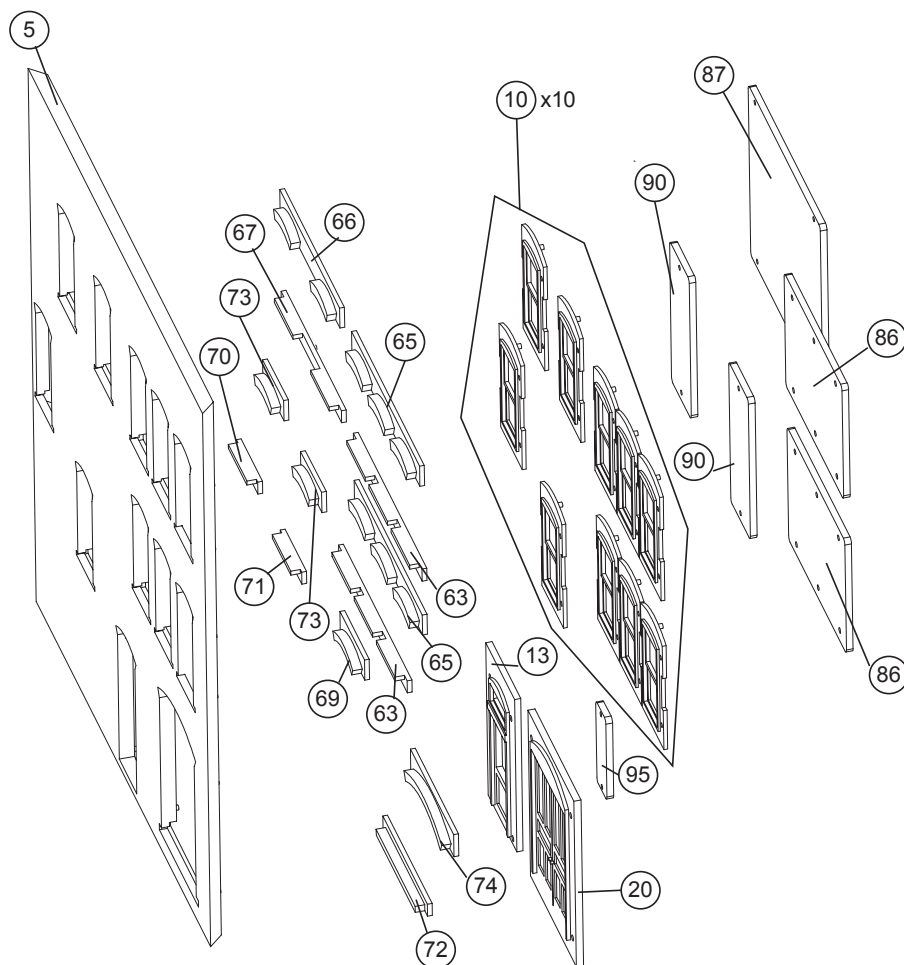
8) Ground Floor: Glue Entry Arch (69) above small doorway, glue Freight Door Arch (74) above larger door opening. Glue Freight Door Lintel (72) to lower portion of large opening. Glue Entry (13) and Freight Door (20) in place.

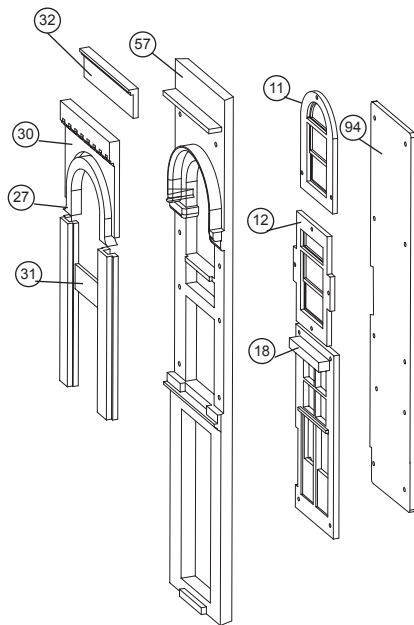
9) All Floors: insert and glue Window Frames (10x 10) in place. Align pins on backs of Windows with openings in Windows and glue as follows:

Third Story, left to right: Large Glass (87), Triple Glass (86);

Second Story: Single Window Glass (2x 86), Triple Glass (86);

Ground Floor: glue Door Glass (95) to back of Entry Door.





Angled Entry Wall (57)

10) Glue inset area of Pilasters (31) above doorway as shown. Glue Arched Brickwork along side and above second floor window. Glue Parapet Wall (32 to upper portion as shown. Glue Arched Third Floor Window (11) Second Floor Window (12) and Double-Entry Door (18) to inside of wall as shown. Align pins on backs of Windows and Door with openings in Windows and carefully glue Angled Entry Glass (94) in place.

Front Wall (58)

11) Second & Third Floors: Glue inset area of Pilasters (24) above doorway as shown. Glue Left (29), Center (25) and Right (28) Arched Brickwork above second floor windows. Glue Left (44) Center (26) and Right (45) Parapet Walls to upper portion as shown.

12) First Floor: Glue Entry Door (21), Center (23) and Right (21) Display Window Frames in place from inside.

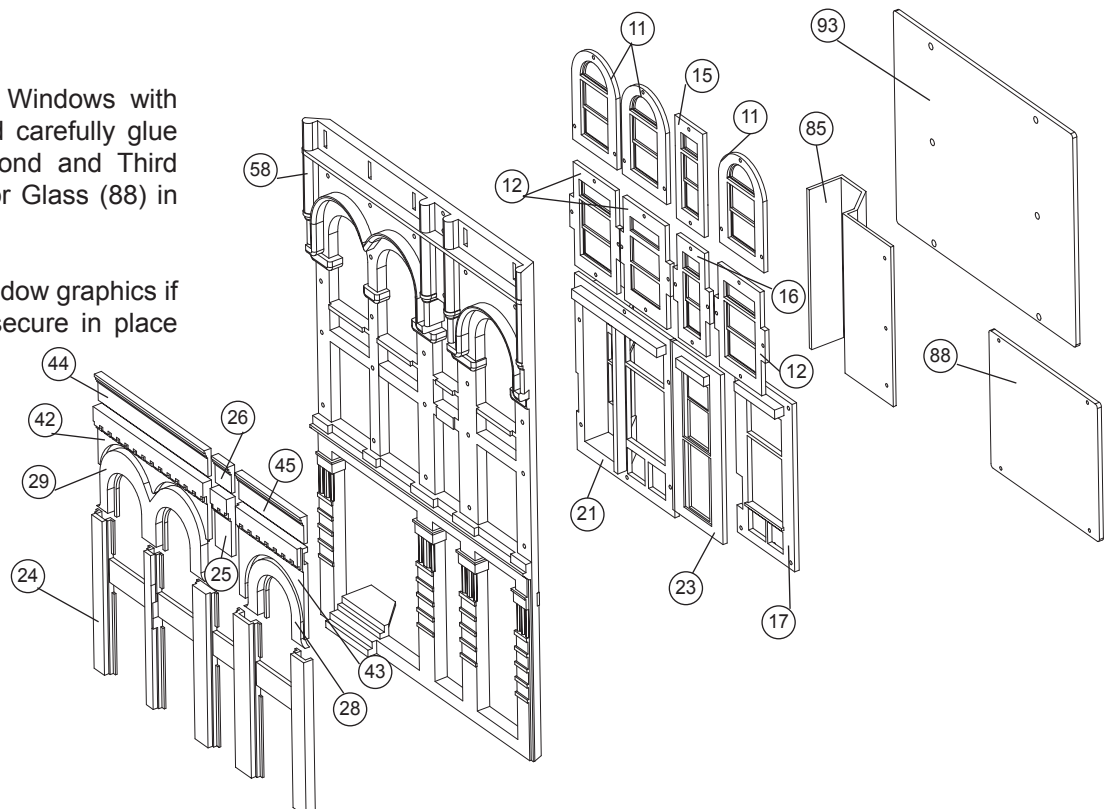
13) Second Floor:

Glue Large Single (3x 12) and Small (16) Windows in place from the inside.

14) Window Glazing:

Align pins on backs of Windows with openings in Frames and carefully glue Angled Entry (94), Second and Third Floor (93) and First Floor Glass (88) in place.

15) Install the printed window graphics if desired. Cut to fit and secure in place with tape or white glue.



FINAL ASSEMBLY

15) Align pins on underside of Walls (58, 57, 6, 5, 4) with openings in top of Base Trim (2); align tabs and slots along beveled edges of walls, and glue where parts meet.

16) Glue Parapet Interior (3) inside of wall assembly. Glue Roof (7) inside of Parapet Interior.

17) Make four Chimneys as shown:

Wall 6 Right Front: Glue Outside (36) and Inside (33) Walls to Short Insert (98)

Wall 6 Right Rear: Glue Outside (34) and Inside (38) Walls to Short Insert (98)

Wall XX Left Front: Glue Inside (39) and Outside Walls to Tall Insert (49)

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Complete assembly by gluing Chimney Cap (4x 14) to top.

18) Align openings on bottoms of Inserts with pins on Parapet Interior and glue where parts meet

19) Glue Back Stairs (52) in place by rear entry on Back Wall (5)

