**All About Austin Steward**

**By Lydia Asberry**

**Austin Steward was an successful African American business man .He owned a very busy meat market when the town as just a village ,in 1818.The store was located near the Main Street Bridge across from where the Convention Center is today. Austin Steward started with a small meat market and had some troubles with people who tried to stop his business. But he reported to the police and kept working to make his business the best it could be. It was a big success.**