

cast for Miss Gage, 1045 Wellington street east: General contractor, Mitchell & Riddell, 45 Head street; carpenter, L. J. Beatty, 175 Emerald street north. Cost \$12,000. G. J. Hutton, Bank of Hamilton Bldg., is the architect.

London, Ont.—G. A. Wardell, 5 Rector street, is erecting a two-story frame residence on Delaware avenue. To cost \$3,000.

Niagara Falls, Ont.—Work has started on a \$10,000 residence to be erected at the corner of McRae and Victoria avenues for Arthur Buckley, Welland avenue: General contractor, G. A. Dingwall, 133 Wilmot street; painting and glazing, Wm. Mullen, 322 Victoria avenue; heating, Payne & Nesbit, 122 Main street. C. M. Borter, Main street, is the architect.

Niagara Falls, Ont.—Work has started on the erection of a brick and frame residence for Geo. Jackson, Third avenue: General contractor, G. A. Dingwall, 133 Wilmot street; painting and glazing, Wm. Mullen, Victoria avenue; electric wiring, Carter Electric Company, Geary avenue; heating and plumbing, W. J. Crawford, Buckley avenue. Cost \$10,000.

Niagara Falls, Ont.—The following contracts have been awarded in connection with the erection of a brick residence to cost \$12,000, at the corner of Victoria avenue and Stanford street, for Daniel O'Donnell, McRae street: General contractor, Wm. Harry, Second avenue; carpenter, G. A. Dingwall, 133 Wilmot street; painting and glazing, Wm. Mullen, Victoria avenue; electric wiring, Carter Electric Company, Geary avenue.

Ottawa, Ont.—M. C. Neate, Rockcliffe, Ottawa, will erect a row of six houses of brick veneer and stucco construction on Joy avenue. Total cost \$4,800.

Renfrew, Ont.—Wilfred Bolam will erect two brick veneer houses on Jennette street. Cost \$5,000.

Renfrew, Ont.—Felex Littky will erect a two-story bungalow, 24 x 26, of brick construction, on Parry Sound street. Cost \$3,000.

Renfrew, Ont.—Work is in progress on a three-story brick residence for Wm. Howard, in the Plaunt Park subdivision. Brick veneer, frame construction, hot air heating. Cost \$2,000.

Toronto, Ont.—Plans have been completed for a two-story brick residence to be erected by S. B. Green, 40 Woodside avenue. Owner is the general contractor. Cost \$3,500.

Toronto, Ont.—Tenders have been received by Architects Gordon & Helliwell, Confederation Life Building, for a two-story brick residence on Mount Clair avenue. Cost \$4,000.

Toronto, Ont.—Plans have been completed for two brick houses to be built on Gothic avenue, near Quebec avenue, for Lowery & McLroy, 105 Clendennan avenue. Hot water heating will be installed. Cost \$6,000.

Toronto, Ont.—H. A. Johnston, 54 Normandy Boulevard, has the general contract for the erection of a two-story brick residence on Kingswood road, for Wm. Barber, 106 Roncesvalles avenue. Cost \$3,500.

Toronto, Ont.—Plans have been completed for a two-story brick residence to be built on Gillard avenue, near Danforth avenue, for C. S. Lucas, 2 Lipton avenue. Owner is general contractor. Cost \$3,000.

Toronto, Ont.—Excavating tenders have been received in connection with three houses to be built by Wm. Gordon, 36 North Shaw street. The structures will be brick, and modernly equipped. Cost \$3,000 each.

#### "TILE CRAFT."

Some very interesting suggestions as to the use of tile construction are contained in the December bulletin issued by the

Associated Tile Manufacturers, Beaver Falls, Pa. The bulletin contains a series of short contributions by men who represent firms specializing in the production of tile, and are presented so as to make each subject of interest to the reader. There is also a cash prize offer by the company for photographs of tile work; as well as a list of the various firms producing faience, porcelain and tile who are members of the Associated Tile Manufacturers' organization.

#### "DIFFUSELITE" BLINDS.

The J. G. Wilson Corporation, 8 West Fortieth street, New York City, claim that their "Diffuselite" blinds mark an advance in mechanism and construction over the formerly used Venetian blind. In a series of bulletins issued by this company the statement is made that "Diffuselite" blinds are readily installed, do not easily get out of order, do not block air and light, and are comparatively inexpensive.

The attempt to find a method of painting blinds which would partially absorb and diffuse the rays of light resulted in the manufacture also by this corporation of their own special makes of white and green colors. Their claims would seem to deserve investigation.

#### "STEAM CONDENSATION."

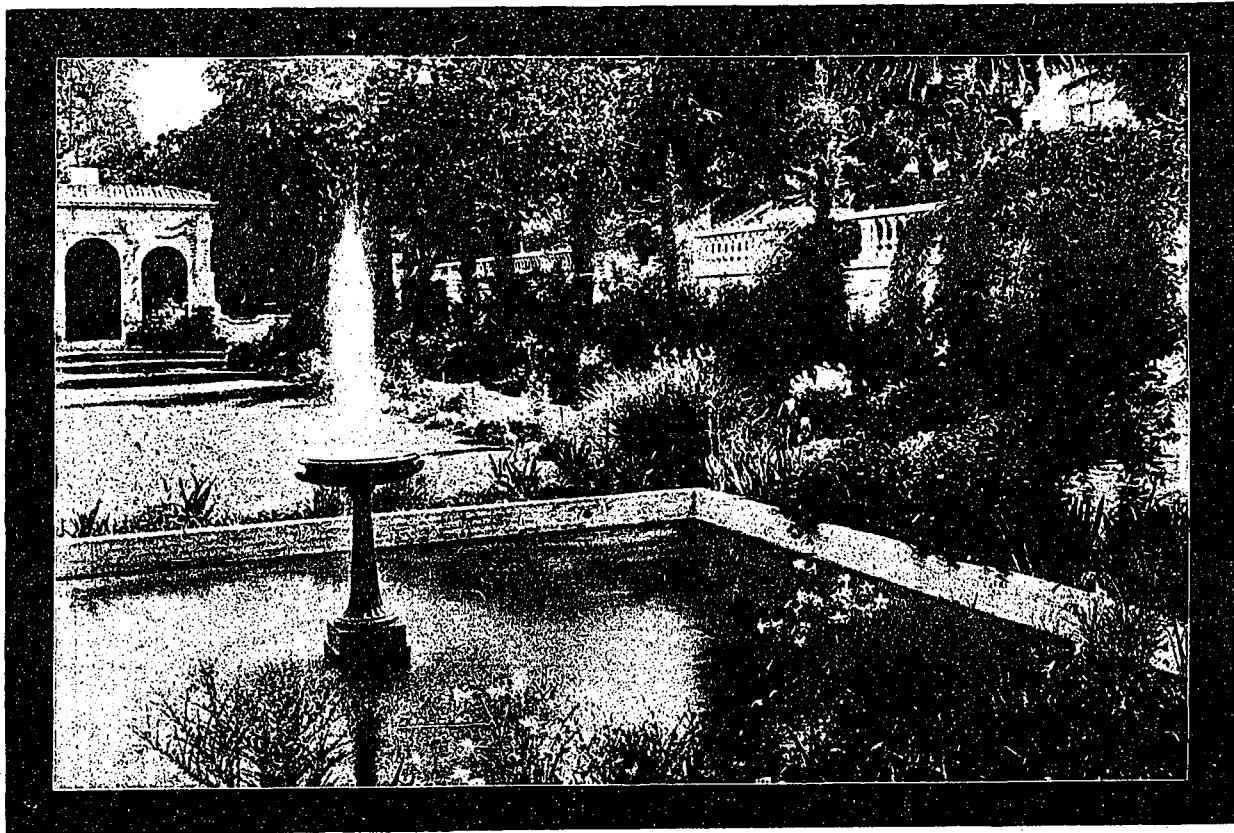
The above is the title of a fifty-page booklet written by Wm. H. Rose, Consulting Engineer, and issued by Geo. W. Cole, Ltd, 338 Dundas st., Toronto, and is replete with valuable information in reference to this subject. The text explains what steam condensation is, and the correct methods of handling and utilizing same—showing that to allow the natural law to have full sway, the difficulties met with may be easily remedied. The booklet is in the nature of a treatise reaching too high a plane to be confounded with anything in the way of a trade catalogue. It is issued by the above concern in an endeavor to answer the question: "Does the Steam Cost Too Much," and is written in a manner which avoids unnecessary use of technical terms, so that anyone can understand from reading the book whether fuel losses are due to ignorance or carelessness, and how these losses may be located and recovered. The booklet is of interest to architects, engineers, and steam plant owners, and a copy will be sent to anyone desiring same on application to the above firm.

#### CEMENT COATINGS.

In an attempt to overcome certain difficulties attending cement construction, the firm of Wadsworth, Howland & Company, Inc., Boston, Mass., have brought forward a new product.

The use of concrete they claim has been subject to two serious drawbacks—a tendency to absorb moisture, and an unattractive, monotonous color. Experiments have convinced this firm that the only solution of the problem is through the use of a waterproof coating which not only does away with the difficulties, but also serves to prevent the cement from disintegrating. Sixteen years' use of the "Bay State Brick and Cement Coating" has attested its merits, its manufacturers claim. In a booklet issued by this company detailed information is given in regard to their product, and also a list of buildings where it has been used with apparent satisfaction.

Wadsworth, Howland & Company manufacture also a cement floor coating and two grades of enamel finishes.



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