

ST. HYACINTHE.

A beautiful city of nearly 10,000 inhabitants, in the County of St. Hyacinthe, of which it is the *chef-lieu*; situated on the Yamaska River, 35 miles from Montreal, on the G. T. R. to Portland and Quebec, also on the Sorel and Farnham branch of the C. P. R. St. Hyacinthe was founded in 1776, and in its centenary year (1876) was almost wholly leveled in ashes by a terrible conflagration; but it has been rebuilt more substantially and picturesque than ever, and is to-day second to no city in the Dominion in the way of "go-ahead-ism" and prosperity. The Bank of St. Hyacinthe, a local institution of \$1,000,000 capital, established 1874, and branches of the Molsons Bank and La Banque Jacques-Cartier, of Montreal, are all doing a thriving business. Among the many manufacturing industries may be mentioned the Granite Mills, knitting nearly every description of woollen hosiery and underwear. The St. Hyacinthe Manufacturing Co., who own the most of the splendid water power, have just completed a fine new mill of 30 looms for their specialty of fine flannels. This corporation also own and operate custom grist and carding mills. There are at present two large boot and shoe factories, with a third one building for a Montreal firm; several machine shops and foundries, two upper and split-leather tanneries, with two large new morocco (genuine) and sheep-skin factories just completed and put into operation by another Montreal firm. There are also several agricultural implement, sash and door, furniture and other factories, all in full operation. Another industry of no small importance is the refrigerator and warehouse of the American firm of Swan & James, for the pickling, packing and shipping of eggs to the New York and Boston markets, to the extent of about 500,000 dozens annually. The city being a considerable distance from other large places, and in the heart of one of the largest and best farming districts in the province, has a most excellent market and is considerable of a trade centre. The city is well supplied with water by the Holly system, has two splendid steam fire engines, a complete system of electric fire alarms, and is exceeding well lighted throughout by gas and the electric light. The St. Hyacinthe college, founded in 1809, is built of fine cut limestone, and with the wings has a length of 700 feet; it is charmingly situated in a large park overlooking the city, commanding a fine view of the river and level country for miles around. There are many convents, academies and monasteries, also a large Hotel Dieu by the Grey Nuns. It is the see of the Roman Catholic Diocese of St. Hyacinthe, and contains the cathedral, parish, and other churches and chapels. There are also two small Protestant churches—the Church of England and Presbyterian, which have a separate school. There are three newspaper and printing offices, viz.: Le Courrier (conservative), L'Union (liberal), and Ta Tribune (independent.) Telephone connection with Montreal and the Eastern Townships generally.

PUBLIC OFFICIALS:—Hon. Louis Tellier, Judge of the Superior Court; Jos. Roy and T. S. Richer, Joint Prothonotaries; Narcisse Chaput, Acting Sheriff; H. St. Germain and J. Nault, Joint Registrars; R. E. Fontaine, Q. C., Warden of the County; H. R. Blanchard, Coroner of the District; B. B. Campbell (St. Hilaire), Lieut.-Col. 84th Batt.; G. C. Desaulles, Mayor of the City; J. O. Guertin, City Clerk; Ludger Pagé, Chief of Police; J. A. Hamel, Collector of Customs; C. A. Boivin, Collector of Inland Revenue; Hon. William T. Mitchell, United States Consul; F. Bartels, United States Vice-Consul.

Archambault & Co, photographers
Arpin I, tinsmith
Banque Jacques-Cartier
Banque de St. Hyacinthe
Barbeau Jos, contractor
Beaudry Leonard, watches
Benoit H, drugs
Bergeron & Frere, dry goods
Bernier Nap & Co, flour
Bertrand F X, machinist
Bertrand Henry, hotel
Bissonnette E, boots and shoes
Blanchette F X, hatter
Blondin A, plumber
Boucher de LaBruere Pierre, printer & pub.
Bourassa Samuel, photographer
Bourgeois S, general store
Bousquet M, grain and agri implements
Brodeur Eus, organ builder
Brodeur Jos, general store
Brodeur Olivier, grocer
Brodeur P, contractor
Bolsseau & Frere, dry goods
Cadotte J U, cabinet maker
Cassavant Bros, church organ manufacturers
Challouff O & Fils, manufacturers agri. imp.

Champagne & Decelles, general store
Charland & Patisseau, tobacco
Charpentier Adelard, fruits
Choquet L A & Freres, books, etc.
Choquette A, carriage maker
Choquette C, cabinet maker
Choquette Emene, harness maker
Choquette & Bro, carriage makers
Compagnie d'Aqueduc de St Hyacinthe
Cormier Chas, carriage maker
Cote Louis & Frere, shoe manufacturers
Cote V & Co, boots and shoes
Daignault Godfroid, dry goods
Dalpe Treffe (dit Parisseau), hotel
David M O Jr, tailor
David M O Sr, merchant tailor
Denis A, publisher
Dion Alexis, boots and shoes
Dion J O, broker
Dutbee Jos, saddler
Duclos & Payan, tanners
Dumaine Desire, dry goods and groceries
Dupre & Pion, grocers
Dusseau H, founder
Elibate Mrs Jos, hotel
Frenette I, founder