

E. J. O'SULLIVAN, C. E.

To write legibly is an art which up to late years has not been easily acquired, and now perfection itself seems to have been almost attained. Perhaps the greatest exponent of the art of penmanship on the coast is now to be

way," Mr. O'Sullivan came west, and for two years taught in business colleges in the states of Michigan and Wisconsin. But the study of civil engineering retained some charm for him, and for two years he burnt the midnight oil in



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found in this city in the person of Mr. E. J. O'Sullivan, the gentleman who conducts the Victoria Business College. Mr. O'Sullivan, although a young man, seems to have reached the highest rung on the ladder of penmanship fame.

The subject of this sketch is of Irish and French extraction, and was born at the ancient Canadian capital—Quebec—on Dec. 2, 1868, and is now in his twenty-fourth year. His father is Eugene O'Sullivan, who has for several years been Crown Lands Superintendent of the Province of Quebec. At an early age, young O'Sullivan was placed in St. Mary's College, near Quebec, and afterwards graduated from Levis University which he had attended for six years. Mr. O'Sullivan then turned his attention to the study of civil engineering, and after spending four years with his uncle, Henry O'Sullivan, Inspector of Surveys for the Province of Quebec, he went through a full course at the New York Business University, and graduated for the business course. As "westward the star of empire takes its

perfecting himself in this profession and finally graduated at Montreal last September.

It might be mentioned incidentally that Mr. O'Sullivan, in a competition against all Canada at the Montreal exhibition in 1891, won first prize, awarded by the Cercle de la Salle. Last September Mr. O'Sullivan made up his mind to visit Victoria, and so pleased was he with the city and surroundings that he determined without much hesitation upon opening a business college here. That he was admirably qualified to undertake the work, his experience and the hundreds of testimonials from the leading men of the United States and Canada he has in his possession, afford conclusive proof. That he has been successful in what might seem to others a great undertaking, the number of pupils who are now under his tuition and who are very enthusiastic as to the methods adopted by him and the proficiency they are attaining, is the best evidence. Although the Victoria Business College is only three months in operation, over forty pupils have taken advantage of the opportunity presented of securing a thorough business training.

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