

Ant. Beaudoin, PAINTS, WALL PAPERS, ETC., No. 49 St. LAWRENCE MAIN STREET, MONTREAL.—It has very truly been said that nothing can be more favorable to the progress of house painting in its best style, than improved artistic culture on the part of the public, as well as the growth of the feeling to enjoy art. People appeared to be too much absorbed in business years ago to pay much attention to, or give any great encouragement to the painter artist, and, in fact, very indifferent or rather plain house painting formerly satisfied the owners of large mansions. Now all this is changed and the best is demanded. Wall papers are manufactured with high artistic taste, for nothing else will satisfy the demand. Holding a prominent place among the old-established houses engaged in the paints, oil and wall paper trade is that of Mr Ant. Beaudoin, whose store is located at No. 49 St. Lawrence Main Street. The premises occupied are 28 x 50 feet in dimensions and contain a very large and excellent stock of paints, dry and ground in oil and Japan for house painters and coach builders, etc. Also oils, varnishes and brushes of every description for all purposes. There is also a fine line of artists' materials, containing the product of some of the most celebrated makers in Europe. In wall papers the stock is full and complete and embraces beautiful specimens of the work of English, French and American makers, and being particularly adapted to the artistic taste of the present day. The trade of the house is conducted both at wholesale and retail and embraces in its scope not only the city but a large section of the surrounding country. Since this business was founded 18 years ago it has received a liberal share of the public patronage and proved lucrative to a satisfactory degree. Mr. Beaudoin, the proprietor, was born near Terrebonne and is an enterprising man of business and a much respected citizen.

John Lee & Co., SHIP LINERS, CARPENTERS, CAULKERS AND SPAR MAKERS, MONTREAL.—It appears to be an indisputed fact that the future of Montreal, as a great commercial and manufacturing centre—a Canadian New York, in fact—is well assured. The Board of Trade, Chamber of Commerce and Citizens Committee have been indefatigable in their efforts to have the necessary improvements made in the transportation facilities of the city, and one result of their endeavors appears to be that the Government assumes the harbor debt and that the tonnage dues on shipping will be removed from this part. This will encourage trade in a marked degree and greatly increase the number of vessels visiting this port during the season of navigation. One important branch of trade connected with the shipping interests is that of the ship liner and carpenter in which line the firm of John Lee & Co. of No. 207 Commissioners street stands pre-eminent. This business was established 20 years ago and steadily through those years it has progressed and developed. The firm attend to all kinds of ship's carpentry fitting up vessels for horses, cattle, sheep and hogs, lining ships, caulking and making spars. Having a large force of workmen constantly on hand, during the season, numbering from 150 to 300, they are enabled to attend to all orders with the utmost promptitude and in the most satisfactory manner, so that vessels need not be delayed. The work done by this house is first-class in every particular as has been well attested. The members of the firm are Messrs. John Lee and John C. Murray. John Lee, who came to this country from Ireland when a child has been fully identified with all that has been for the city's welfare and is one of the most popular members of the Board of Aldermen. Both gentlemen are highly esteemed in business and social circles and are active members of the Board of Trade.

W. A. Dyer & Co., PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMISTS, 14 AND 16 PHILLIPS SQUARE, MONTREAL.—One of the most prominent, as it is also the most popular drug stores in Montreal is that of Messrs. W. A. Dyer & Co., which is eligibly located for business at Nos. 14 and 16 Phillips Square, corner of St. Catherine street. The premises occupied are large and commodious, being 50 x 65 in dimensions and 3 stories in height. These are fitted up with much taste, with plate glass show cases, cabinets, etc., for the advantageous display of the excellent stock carried, consisting of fresh, pure drugs, chemicals, fancy and toilet