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C. W. BATT, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Lumber, Lath, Shingles, Etc.; Office and Yard, Union Street, opposite C.P.R. Depot.—The business of the builder, contractor and lumber dealer is one of vital importance in all rapidly growing communities. This industry is well represented at the Junction, and among those engaged in it, few do more extended trade than Mr. C. W. Batt. This gentleman is of English birth and learned his trade in the Old Country. About a year ago he located at the Junction, since which he has done a flourishing business in handling lumber and in the erection of buildings. His lumber yard has all facilities for loading and unloading all kinds of timber. The stock is full and complete, and includes lumber, lath, shingles, cedar posts and bill stuff generally, also doors, sashes, blinds, newels, balusters and mouldings. These are sold at both wholesale and retail, all orders receiving prompt attention while satisfaction is in all cases guaranteed. In the building and contracting line Mr. Batt does a large business, erecting and completing the buildings from the foundation to the full finish, and since locating here has erected quite a number of prominent structures in West Toronto Junction, among which may be mentioned the Austin manufactory. During the busy season he employs from 25 to 30 competent mechanics, personally superintends every detail, and does all work in a most substantial manner.

T. HOS. J. L. PEAKE & CO., Hardware and House Furnishings, Dundas Street, corner Keele.—The trade in hardware and gent's furnishings is a prominent industry everywhere, but, in newly settled communities and rapidly growing centres, it is especially a leading enterprise. The oldest established house at the Junction, devoted to this business, is that of Messrs. Thomas J. L. Peake & Co., located on Dundas Street, at the corner of Keele. The premises occupied are commodious, consisting of a substantial two-storey brick block, 25x25 feet in dimensions, the entire building being used. This is suitably and conveniently arranged, and is fully stocked with a large assortment of hardware and house furnishings, stoves, tinware, paints, oils and glass, and builders' and farmers' hardware generally. Eave-troughing and galvanized iron-work are promptly attended to, while furnaces and house-heating generally are specialties, the house handling Clare Bros.' furnaces of Preston, Ont. The stock is complete in every particular, the assortment well selected and the prices charged moderate. When the house started in business here it was on quite a small scale and with limited capital, but as the town grew and extended the business increased in the same proportion, and the concern is, not only the oldest, but the leading one of its kind at the Junction. All orders receive prompt attention; only competent workmen are employed, and satisfaction is in all cases guaranteed. The members of the firm are active and enterprising, look closely after the details of their business and take a lively interest in the prosperity and growth of the town.

W. HEPINSTALL, Watches and Jewellery, 43 Dundas Street West.—The jewellery trade of the Junction has developed in a truly marvellous degree, and is controlled by gentlemen of experience who are thoroughly versed in the prosecution of the trade in all its details. One of the most prominent houses devoted to this industry is that of Mr. W. Hepinstall, at No. 43 Dundas Street West. It is little more than two years since this gentleman started in business, but with a practi-

cal experience of some 30 years, and by keeping a well selected stock, aided by square and liberal dealing, he has built up a flourishing trade which is steadily increasing. The premises occupied are 65x70 feet in dimensions. Here is kept a full line of jewellery of all kinds, comprising rings, bracelets, earrings, bangles, chains, charms, necklaces, etc., also a fine line of silverware and the B. Lawrence, Larnel and Brazilian pebble spectacles. In fact everything in this line can be had at lowest prices from Mr. Hepinstall, and customers may rely on all goods purchased to be as represented. A fine assortment of Swiss and American watches and clocks is always in stock. Special attention is given to repairing, which is promptly executed and warranted in every case. Mr. Hepinstall is a Canadian by birth and is a man of enterprising business habits, who is thoroughly reliable in every branch and detail of his trade.

J. AS. A. ELLIS, Reg. Architect, Peake's Block, West Toronto Junction.—The profession of the architect is an important one, for upon him, to a great extent, depends the beauty and solidity of the business blocks and residences of a city, but in a rapidly growing town like West Toronto Junction it is especially so. Years of study and practice are necessary to make a successful architect, while thorough mechanical training is a most important element. Mr. Jas. A. Ellis, whose office is in the Peake Block, possesses all these qualifications. It is some twenty years since this gentleman commenced business, but it was only in the early summer of the present year that he located at West Toronto Junction. Since opening here he has had a steadily increasing trade, having designed and superintended the erection during the season of a large number of both public and private buildings, among them being two public schools and a New Disciple's Church, while his prospects for next summer are most



flattering, the designs for several large blocks being already in preparation. Mr. Ellis does a general architectural business, and furnishes designs for all kinds of buildings, business blocks, banks, factories, warehouses, school buildings, churches or residences, with plans and specifications, and, when requested, superintends their construction. He is thoroughly practical and during the years devoted to his profession has erected buildings in all parts of the country, going as far west as Brandon, Manitoba. He has a natural talent for this work which he brings into active play in his rapidly extending business. Among the prominent structures of West Toronto Junction, the plans for which were made by Mr. Ellis, may be mentioned the following: Mr. T. J. L. Peake's private residence, J. T. Jackson's residence, the additions to Annette Street School, the public school building at Swansea, and the public school building on Dufferin Street.