

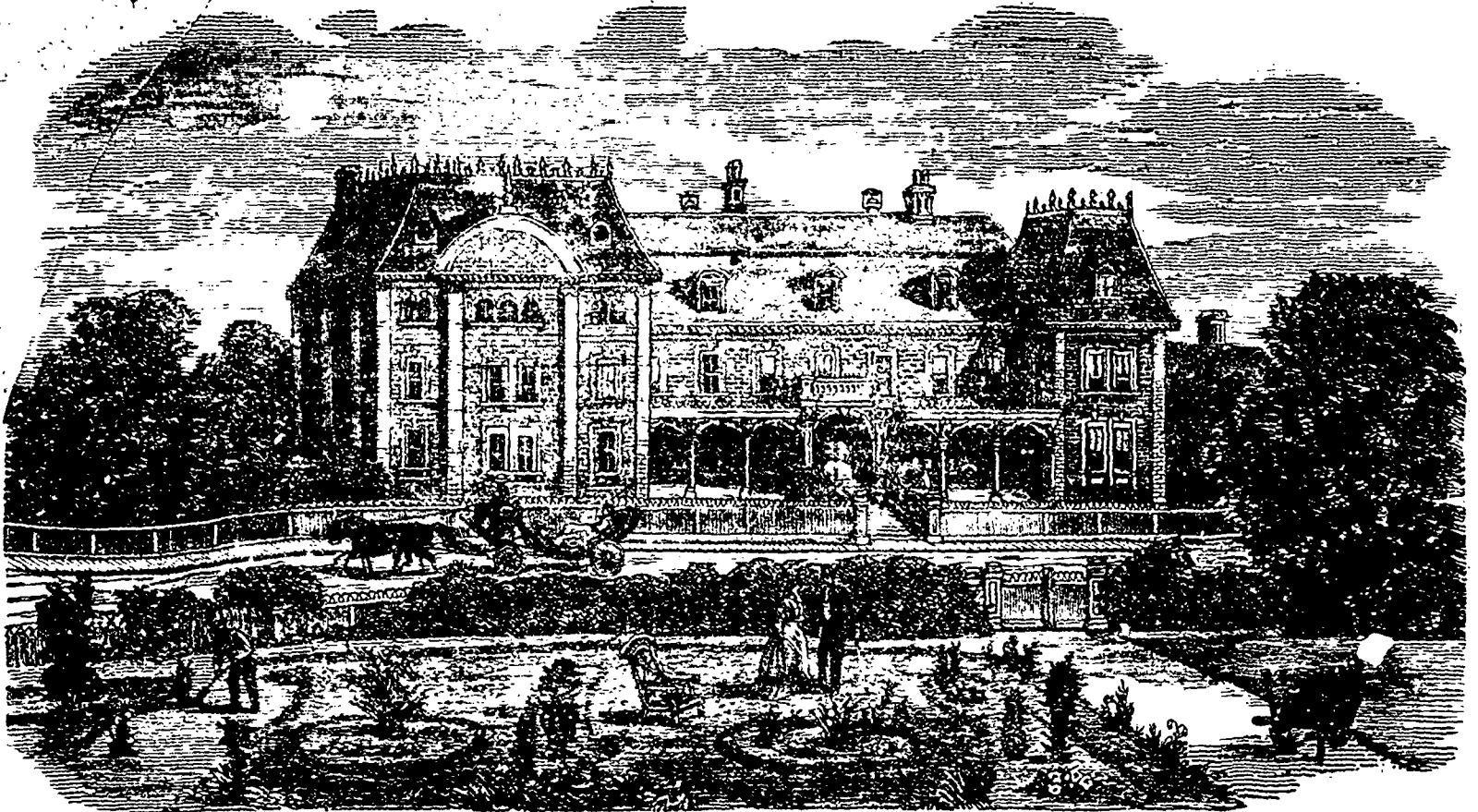
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SPRING BANK, ST. CATHARINES.

Accompanying this we give our readers a view of this remarkable establishment, the most perfect of the kind on this Continent, and a monument of Dr. Mack's indomitable energy, as well as of his scientific and professional talents. Large sums have been expended very recently in still further adding to its attractions, not merely as a resort for invalids, but also as a delightful and luxurious abode for those in good health. We find in a late St. Catharines Times an article on the recent improvements, from which we take a few extracts:—

"This celebrated sanitary establishment has, during the past year, received many additional improvements, and is now as near perfection as science and mechanical skill, combined with a liberal expenditure of money, can make it. The grounds and various buildings occupy a space of four acres, with a frontage of 340 feet, and running from Ontario street across Yates street, down to the Artesian Well in the valley of the Welland Canal. The grounds are well laid out, are planted with trees, and adorned with ornamental shrubs, which in the mild climate of the Niagara District attain remarkable perfection; while, in the summer season, the spacious lawn is not only studded with tents, hammocks, summer-houses, fountains, &c., but also affords ample space for croquet playing and other entertaining amusements. The main building, fronting on Yates street, stands at an elevation of 89 feet above the water level of the Welland Canal. It is three and four storeys high, 130 x 40, with ornamental front. There is also in course of erection a large tower, 80 feet high, which will contain tanks for the supply of all the baths, as well as the laundry and kitchen. The laundry is a separate building of two storeys,

100 x 30, and is fitted with a steam drying room, laundress office and wash room on the first floor, the second being used as a complete suite of servants' apartments, thus keeping them together and separate from the main body of the establishment.

"When we pass to the brick ice house and meat and fish rooms, 100 x 20. This necessary adjunct to summer comfort is filled with over 2,000 tons of pure ice. The plumbers' and carpenters' shops are also in the rear, both these classes of tradesmen being employed on the premises throughout the whole year. The plumbing alone done last year cost over \$5,000. There are also several detached cottages for families, connected with the institution. One of them, known as the Terrace—Mr Adams' old residence on Ontario street, overlooking the Montebello Gardens—is fitted up in the most luxurious style, and is much coveted by tourists and invalids. It is approached by a covered road from the main building.

"The heating apparatus, like everything else in the establishment, is the best of its kind that could be procured, and is quite sufficient to maintain every part of the house in a pleasant temperature, effected by three Gommenginger & Allen furnaces, and one of Messrs. Baker, Smith & Co., with tube and hot air radiators. So perfectly is the whole heating arranged that any required temperature can be obtained in any given room.

In the front portion of the main building are drawing and reception rooms, the apartments of the lady manager, the lady secretary's rooms, consulting room, and other offices. The drawing room is furnished in elegant style, the walls being varnished with walnut and chestnut, while a border of rich parquetry runs round the room, the floor being

covered with beautiful Brussels carpet. In fact, the whole of the carpets were designed and made to order in England, and imported by Mr. H. Carlisle, of the West End Store. The drawing room is also used as a chapel, where Divine worship, in accordance with the forms of the English Church, is held every Sunday by a clergyman. This is a very pleasing feature in the establishment, and one that is much appreciated by the visitors generally. A well-selected Library is also another attraction, and is much approved of.

"The dining room is 40 x 100 feet. It is also furnished with parquetry flooring, and otherwise finished in the most modern style. A large and airy billiard room affords exercise and amusement to any who may desire it; while the spacious reading room, with its table well filled with the leading newspapers and periodicals of the day, is always a source of pleasure to those of more sedentary habits.

"The suites of bedrooms are airy and spacious, the iron bedsteads being manufactured expressly for the purpose, many of them being so constructed that any required position can be obtained. Many of the best were made by Mr. George Ross, of this town, and do him great credit as a mechanic; the wooden portion of the furniture is unique in style, and presents an elegant appearance. It was designed by Dr. Mack, and made by Messrs. Higman, and Allan & Brothers. It is not too much to say that for both design and manufacture it is not surpassed in the Dominion. These rooms, as well as all others, are ventilated by shafts in the chimney stacks, and carpeted with Brussels carpets. The bathing departments, which are now much enlarged and improved, at an enormous expense, may be justly termed the most perfect on the Continent. They