

again engaged in the building business, later giving up the heavier work, and forming with Mr. Samuel Peters an architectural and land surveying firm. He was the first architect in London, and many buildings still testify to his good work. Among these are the

### OUR ILLUSTRATIONS.

RESIDENCE OF MR. W. P. NILES, WELLINGTON, ONT.

From an old foundry Mr. Niles has built for himself a comfortable and imposing home. The alterations were conceived largely by the owner from a perusal of various publications and the utilization of



NEW OFFICE OF THE CANADIAN GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, KING STREET WEST, TORONTO.

Tecumseh House, the Trebilcock block, and Hon. Adam Beck's residence.

From his first arrival in London Mr. Watson took a great interest in municipal affairs, and was secretary of the first fire company organized in London. He was a Liberal in politics, and a staunch member of the Methodist Church. Three sons and one daughter survive: James and Richard, of this city; John, of Chatham, and Mrs. Gammage, of Port Huron.

### ENLARGEMENT OF BRITISH MUSEUM.

King Edward laid the foundation stone of the important additions to be made to the British Museum, with elaborate ceremonies, the other day. Part of the new work has been done already, and when the whole has been finished the proportions of the structure will be much more commodious than at present. But the present extension is only a step toward the completion of the perfected plan, which, according to the existing designs, will finally cover a square area of thirteen acres. The cost of the present improvements will be about \$1,000,000. The new buildings, which are in the rear of the old structure, consist of a basement and sub-basement which will afford large storage space for printed and other material. Above these will be an extensive range of galleries for library purposes. Higher still will be a floor devoted to various studies and to students' rooms, and over all 380 feet of galleries in which the Egyptian and other collections will be displayed. Mr. J. J. Burnet, of Glasgow, is the architect. King Edward has been a trustee of the Museum for many years, and has proved his active interest in the institution in many ways.—New York "Evening Post."

suggestions gathered from observation.

EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR VIEW OF JOHN C. GREEN & COMPANY'S WHOLESALE MILLINERY, 70-72 WELLINGTON STREET WEST, TORONTO; WICKSON & GREGG, ARCHITECTS.

The ceaseless conflict that continually rages between architectural form and utilitarian purposes has perhaps been nowhere more apparent than in the designing of the store front. However, art and utility



OLD WELLINGTON FOUNDRY.

seem at last fairly well agreed. The recent tendency to make shop windows as large as possible is a demand brought about by the improvements required by our advanced civilization. The designer must furnish the largest possible plate glass area compatible with design and structural strength.

CANADIAN ARCHITECT AND BUILDER STUDENTS' COMPETITION FOR A SMALL SUBURBAN HOUSE, TO COST \$3,000.

1. Design by "Stucco" (sixth in competition).
2. Design by "Tri-angle" (seventh in competition).