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Business College.

THIS Institution was established in 1861, by Professor Isaac Bates, in the Whittemore Building, corner King and Toronto Sts., and after several changes in proprietorship, was finally amalgamated with the Bryant and Stratton Business College, in the year 1868, under the management of Messrs. Odell and Trout. In September, 1875, it was removed to more spacious and commodious premises in the new block, 112 and 114 King Street West, opposite the Rossin House.

During the past few years there has been an average yearly attendance of over 200 students, ranging from fourteen to forty years of age, and representing many localities and nationalities. The course of study has been undergoing gradual improvement, and now consists of a curriculum greatly in advance of former years in all the essentials of training for business. The student will find in this school opportunity for mental drill, quite equal to that of the more strictly classical studies; and at the same time he is brought in contact with those things which are of every day use in after life, whether he is to follow business or a profession. The mind gains strength by exercise; judgment and confidence come by practice. Some of the world's best mercantile men are business men whose education has come through commercial pursuits. The design of the teachers is to fit young men for the active duties of life, and although the instruction is special, and has reference to certain attainments as preparatives for certain positions and labor, the entire course of training aims at symmetrical development, and is calculated to strengthen the mental powers and give a broad and substantial culture.

It is believed that this institution, under its present organization, offers to the *business student* facilities, advantages and attractions unsurpassed by any other educational establishment in Canada. Bankers and merchants in nearly every town in this Province can testify to this from their long acquaintance with the work it has done.

The evening school opens the first week of October and continues until the first of March. Clerks, mechanics and others engaged during the day can utilize, by means of evening sessions, those hours that are usually thrown away or spent to very little purpose. The evening sessions have been the means of placing many a young man on the road to wealth and influence. Hours from 7.30 to 9.30. Day pupils do not attend the evening classes unless special arrangements are made for them.