

JAMES BEGG

MR. JAMES BEGG occupies the whole of the first floor of the fine large three story brick building at No. 354 Talbot street, where he deals very extensively in teas and coffees. He carries a very large stock, his trade covering a great extent of territory. Dealing exclusively in teas and coffees, Mr. Begg has



BEGG'S TEA HOUSE DELIVERY

always the best brands on hand, and is famed for the excellence of his goods. Everything in which he deals is of the very best quality at the price. Mr. Begg has been engaged in this line of business for the past nine years, and fully understands it in all its details. Mr. Begg imports all his tea direct. He is a thorough-going, straightforward business man. Mr. Begg is a Canadian, a native of Kingston, of Scottish descent.

W. E. ROSS

W. E. ROSS, the grocer, is a very extensive dealer in staple and fancy groceries, provisions, etc., and has been established in business for the past sixteen years. He occupies the whole of the first floor of the handsome large three-story brick building located at No. 273 Talbot street, where he gives employment to two hands. Mr. Ross does a very large trade with the people of the surrounding country as well as with those of the city itself. He makes a specialty of his teas and fancy groceries, and has acquired a very high reputation in these special lines, handling none but the best quality of goods. Mr. Ross has been a resident of St. Thomas all his life, and has had thirty years experience in the grocer's trade, so that he may be truthfully said to thoroughly understand it in all its branches.

T. S. EDWARDS

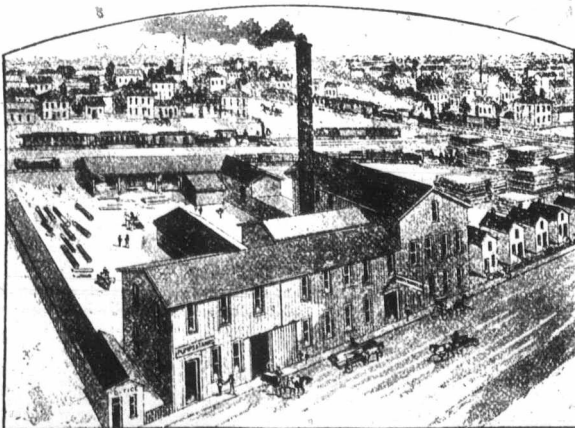
MR. T. S. EDWARDS is the proprietor of the mammoth grocery and china bazaar, he being an extensive wholesale and retail dealer in staple and fancy groceries, provisions, crockery, etc. He has been established in St. Thomas for eleven years, and occupies all of the large two-story brick building, 120 x 20 feet, at No. 217 Talbot street, where he gives employment to four hands. He makes a specialty of fine china, silverware, crockery, etc., of which he carries a very large stock. He does not only an extensive trade locally, but he also ships extensively to outside towns, and some indeed to foreign countries. Mr. Edwards is a Canadian and has resided here for the past eleven years, prior to which time he was for a long period in the same line of business west of London. He is enterprising, and is in all respects a first-class man of business, as progressive as any in his line. He has made many friends during his residence in St. Thomas, who regard him highly not only for his exceptional business ability but for his many good qualities as a man.

JOHN HANNON

SOME two years ago Mr. John Hannon established himself in business as a harness maker and dealer in horse supplies, occupying the ground floor of the brick building at No. 226 Talbot street. He carries a large stock of single and double harness, robes, blankets, bridles, whips, etc. He makes a specialty of repairing, and every job entrusted to him is finished in the most workmanlike manner, and at reasonable rates. Mr. Hannon is a native of St. Thomas.

H. LINDOP

MR. H. LINDOP is the proprietor of the large two-story, sheet iron building, 90 x 60 feet, with an engine house and drying kiln 60 x 20, on Moore street, where he carries on a lumber yard and planing mill, his yards covering a space of four rods by eight hundred feet. At the mill Mr. Lindop does all sorts of planing, matching, and manufactures doors, sash, blinds, mouldings and every variety of builders' supplies. He carries a large stock of lumber, and his sales are among the largest in the city. His trade is for the greater part local, though it extends over the whole of Elgin and surrounding counties. He has been established in the business for the past nineteen years, and now gives employment to fifteen hands. Mr. Lindop is a native of St. Thomas, and has lived here all his life, the name being connected with those of the pioneers of the city. Some years since he took a very active part in public affairs, and served with acceptance in the council for



LINDOP'S PLANING MILL

two terms, 1875-6. Since then, however, he has lived a retired life so far as municipal and political affairs are concerned. He is an energetic, progressive business man, and enjoys the respect and esteem of the commercial community and citizens generally.

DR. H. H. WAY

DR. H. H. WAY, L. D. S., D. D. S., has his dental parlors located on the second floor of the handsome three-story brick building, 40 x 20 feet, at No. 351 1/2 Talbot street. Mr. Way is an American by birth but has graduated in the proper colleges and has been established in practice in St. Thomas since 1886. He is consequently well known, and has a large practice with the people of the city and surrounding country. He is very skillful in all branches of his profession; and makes a specialty of crown work. Dr. Way is held in the highest regard by our citizens.

J. A. SQUANCE

MR. J. A. SQUANCE is a wholesale and retail dealer in all kinds of furniture, upholstery work, picture framing, etc., and has been established in business for five years. He occupies the whole of the first floor and basement of the fine large three-story brick building, 100 x 22 feet, at No. 415 Talbot street, where he gives employment to three hands. Mr. Squance carries an exceptionally large stock of furniture—plain, medium and stylish, and can fittingly furnish any room from a kitchen to a boudoir. He does a very large trade, not only locally, but also with the people of the surrounding country. He has had a long period of experience, and thoroughly understands the business in all its details. Mr. Squance was born near St. Thomas and has lived here nearly all his life. He consequently enjoys a very wide acquaintance, and by all he is held in esteem for his business ability and enterprise.

ST. THOMAS HANDLE AND TURNING WORKS.

MR. J. H. STILL, proprietor of the St. Thomas handle and turning works, is without a doubt at the head of one of the leading industries of the city. He manufactures all kinds of handles, turned goods, hay rakes, etc., and does a trade which extends in Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific, while his exports reach Newfoundland, Great Britain and other markets outside of the Dominion. His premises are very extensive, comprising four buildings in all. The main building, used as a factory, is a three-story structure, 175 x 50 feet, while the warehouse is 70 x 40 feet, and in the barn there is stabling room for sixteen horses. The offices, yards, etc., cover four acres and a half. The business has been in existence for twelve years, but has been located here for only half that length of time, the removal here being necessitated by the superior shipping facilities here afforded. Mr. Still gives employment to a large number of hands, which varies from sixty five to one hundred, and keeps several representatives constantly on the road. He buys his timber in exceptionally large quantities. Mr. Still first came to St. Thomas in 1862, and has proven himself one of the most active and enterprising business men of the west. He has



R. S. WILLIAMS & SON

THE firm of R. S. Williams & Son, manufacturers and dealers in pianos, church pipe organs, and musical instruments and music generally, need no introduction. The name is a household word. Where there is music of any sort, there the name of R. S. Williams & Son is known, the fame of their pianos and church pipe organs being as wide-spread as the English language. The awards, medals, diplomas, etc., that this firm have carried off for the excellence of their exhibits at various points, where they were in competition with the best known makers of the world, are many in number, and testify to the excellence of the instruments manufactured by the firm of R. S. Williams & Son.



MR. COHEN MGR FOR R. S. WILLIAMS & SON

The St. Thomas branch of the firm, which is located at No. 569 Talbot street east, has been in existence for the past five years, and is the headquarters of the leading local musicians. Mr. Roselle Pococke, conductor of the London Symphony Orchestra, meets violin students at the St. Thomas music store of R. S. Williams & Son, Mondays and Thursdays. The manager in this city, Mr. Cohen, is an English gentleman who thoroughly understands every branch of the musical profession and is exceedingly popular with all classes of the community, more especially the ladies, being courteous and obliging at all times, and ever ready to do what he can to oblige a customer. He takes a keen interest in all manly and honorable pastimes, and contributes liberally towards the promotion of all such.

E. B. BENSON

MR. E. B. BENSON carries on business as a dealer in choice staple and fancy groceries, provisions, pork, poultry, fruit, butter, eggs, and farm produce generally. He has been established in business for two years, and gives employment to two hands. He occupies the whole of the first floor of the fine large three-story brick building at No. 373 Talbot street, and has always on hand a heavy stock, his trade throughout the city and surrounding country being very large. Customers have learned to rely upon him for always having the freshest in his line. Mr. Benson has resided in St. Thomas for twenty years, and in that course of time has made many friends.

SMITH HARDWARE COMPANY

THE Smith Hardware Company deal very extensively in shelf and builders' hardware, tinware, paints, oils, glass, etc. The business was originally established by Mr. J. E. Smith in 1873, the present company of which Mr. Smith is the manager being formed seven years ago. The company occupy all of the fine large three-story brick building, 100 x 20 feet in area, located at No. 577 Talbot street. They carry a very large stock of all the staple and standard articles in their line, and have an extensive trade connection with the builders and others of St. Thomas and the surrounding country. Mr. J. E. Smith has been a resident of this city for the past twenty-seven years, and is by everybody recognized as an active, energetic and progressive business man, always up to the times, and perfectly straightforward in all his dealings, while personally popular.

W. F. PADDON

MR. W. F. PADDON, 705 Talbot street, where he occupies the whole of the ground floor and basement, has been established in business for the past six months as a dealer in all kinds of fresh and salted meats, poultry, etc., and has already built up a very large family trade and established a reputation for handling only the best class of goods. Mr. Paddon is determined to merit the best class of trade, and is evidently in a fair way of holding it.

ST. THOMAS STEEL COMPANY

THE St. Thomas Steel Company are the manufacturers of the "Famous" wagon spring, their premises being contiguous to those of the White Bronze Monument Co. The "Famous" spring is specially adapted for farmers' use, as by it a light or heavy load may alike be carried, and it is the only spring now on the market by which this can be achieved with free action. The manufacture of the "Famous" springs has been carried on for the past two years, and three thousand sets are now in use, the output being twenty pairs per day. The trade extends all over the Dominion. The business is under the management of Mr. R. H. Blackmore, who is also in control of the White Bronze Monument Company's affairs, and of whose business and executive ability there can be no doubt.

WHITE BRONZE MONUMENT COMPANY

THE St. Thomas White Bronze Monument Company are importers and manufacturers of Scotch and American granite and marble monuments and statuary, wrought iron fences and all kinds of cemetery work. Their premises are located at the west end of Talbot street, where they occupy a large three-story brick building, 200 x 180 feet, with a moulding shop 100 x 80 feet, and large yards in connection. All the bronze metal is imported from the United States, but all the rest is manufactured on the premises. What is "White Bronze?" the reader may ask. It is simply a name given by the trade to refined and purified zinc, the surface being finished with a sand-blast. The name "White" is not literally descriptive, its actual color being a light gray. The leading scientists of the world endorse it as being superior to all other material to withstand exposure to the weather. The business has been established in St. Thomas nine years, and gives employment to from ten to twenty-five hands. Mr. R. H. Blackmore, the general manager, has resided in St. Thomas for fifteen years. He is a thoroughly experienced man, and in his business is one of the most progressive, while personally he enjoys the respect and confidence of all with whom he is brought in contact.



R. S. SMITH

MR. R. S. SMITH carries on business as a manufacturer of and dealer in all kinds of stoves, plumbing goods, tin and iron roofing, etc., at No. 617 Talbot street, where he occupies the whole of the ground floor and basement of a fine large brick building, 50 x 20 feet in area. He has been established in business for the past five years, and has built up a very large trade. As he is a practical workman himself and personally looks after every job, the public know that he can be relied upon for first-class work every time.

R. T. PINCOMBE

R. T. PINCOMBE carries on business as a family butcher and dealer in all kinds of fresh and salted meats at No. 350 Talbot street, where he has been established for thirteen years. He occupies the whole of the ground floor of the large two-story brick building at the number named, and has built up such a large trade with the people of St. Thomas and the surrounding country that he requires the services of three assistants. Mr. Pincombe is a Canadian of English descent, and has the reputation of being a good business man.