

manufacturer of Furniture in that has been given in this country has developed the fact that the genius are quite as they have proved in improvement in the state of the public no be found than by a as that of Mr. John a comparison of the with the best of some r. Currie, who is now opened up this business well-deserved success and energy, while all degree adds to the town. The premises Intercolonial Railway building, 25 x used as a show-room. The products of furniture and mattress pillows, bolsters, excelsior parlor and bedroom. All kinds of cabinet either from furnished specialty is made of



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manufacturer of Carriages whether there is a more marked been made than carriages—a result to man and horse. represented in es, who for over and practical

experience in this business. The inception of this enterprise dates back to the year 1867, when it was founded by Messrs. Holmes & Hicks, the former of whom bought out the interests of the latter in May, 1887. The premises utilized are situated on Church Street and were erected some ten years ago, those formerly in use having been destroyed by fire; they comprise a three-storey building, 30 x 90 feet in



dimensions, with a wing attached, the whole systematically arranged in departments; the ground flat is used for wood-working and blacksmith's shop; the second is utilized as a store room, while the third serves for painting and trimming. Another three-storey building, 30 x 85 feet in size is used for storage purposes. Mr. Holmes employs fourteen hands and manufactures all kinds of carriages and sleighs, and in his show rooms will always be found a choice assortment of first-class vehicles, including top buggies, side-bar buggies, phaetons, Dexter spring Concord, express and truck wagons, carts, etc. Mr. Holmes uses none but the very best materials, which have been selected with the greatest care, and he employs only the most skilled and experienced workmen. Repairing is promptly and neatly executed and all work is guaranteed. The products of this house have an acknowledged reputation and the trade extends all over the Maritime Provinces. Mr. Holmes was born at New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, and is a gentleman held in high estimation in commercial circles, and those wanting a really first-class carriage of superior make and finish will best consult their own interests by communicating with this establishment.

Mrs. C. W. Main & Co., Millinery, etc., Victoria Street.—As this work is destined to be read by numerous ladies in all sections of the Province, it is only right that due notice should be made of those establishments which specially deal with the requirements of the fair sex. The trade in millinery and ladies' goods generally forms an important feature in the industrial pursuits of a thriving town, and in Amherst this branch of enterprise is by no means neglected, a leading and well-known house being that of Mrs. C. W. Main & Co. These ladies, in 1887, succeeded to the business, which, for so many years, was conducted by Mrs. Stuart, and occupies a most spacious and handsomely-furnished store, 20 x 40 feet in dimensions, with a work-room in the rear, employment being given to an efficient staff of thoroughly competent and experienced assistants. The newest and most stylish fashions are always to be found at this establishment. A fine variety is carried of hats and bonnets ready trimmed, while all ordered work in this connection receives prompt attention. Both ladies are natives of Nova Scotia, and are ladies of marked good taste and judgment, always willing to give advice regarding the styles and fashions of the day to those consulting them.

Amherst Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Co., President, J. R. Laing, Esq.; Secretary, T. N. Campbell, Esq.; Manager, M. D. Pride Esq.—There is no manufacturing industry in Amherst that has so widely contributed to the reputation of the town as a commercial and distributing centre as has the Amherst Boot and Shoe Manufacturing Co. This enterprise was established in 1867 and since the date of its inception each year has witnessed a material growth in the volume of its business. The trade is both wholesale and retail and extends to all parts of the Maritime Provinces; no power is used, all goods being hand-made, a fact the trade should readily appreciate, as the comfort and durability of the hand-made article over that of machine manufacture is everywhere acknowledged. The factory is located opposite the Railway Depot and consists of a handsome four-storey building, 40x114 feet in dimensions; while they have also a retail store on Victoria Street, this latter was burnt down in the late fire of September 2nd, but is now rebuilt of brick, a four-storey structure, 21x50 feet in size. The products of this establishment consist of all kinds and grades of boots and shoes, suitable for ladies, gentlemen, youths, misses and children. They are all made of the best materials and are unsurpassed in finish, style, durability and workmanship. Employment



is furnished to one hundred and fifty hands, and thus this establishment in a marked degree adds to the industrial thrift of the town. The President of the Company is Mr. J. R. Laing, the responsible duties of Secretary are discharged by Mr. T. N. Campbell, while to Mr. M. D. Pride, the Company's Manager, is accorded the largest measure of praise for its present popularity and success.

A. Robb & Sons, Iron and Brass Foundry, Machine and Boiler Works.—The enormous increase in the demand for steam engines and machinery of all kinds, has rendered their manufacture a prominent industry in this country, and those establishments devoted to their production have contributed greatly to the development of the places in which they are located. Prominent among the manufacturing industries of the thriving town of Amherst must be mentioned the establishment of Messrs. A. Robb & Sons, whose operations are by no means confined to this immediate locality, but whose products find a ready market in all sections of the Maritime Provinces, while their trade also extends through Quebec to Upper Canada. In 1848, Mr. A. Robb started an iron and brass foundry here, and during the forty years of its exist-