The Capital of the Far-Famed District of Niagara.

THE GREAT WELLAND

The Manufacturing Industries of the City and Thorold Adjoining.-A Successful Electric Railway.-Municipal Improvements-Churches and Schools-The Business Men of the City and of the Town of Thorold-Railway Facilities...St. Catharines' Assessment Nearly Five

Millions. The city of St. Catharines, so named after Catharine, the wife of Robert Hamilton, is charmingly situated on a level plateau adjoining the Welland canal and is the most populous centre in the Niagara Peninsula. It is surrounded by a country unsurpassed for productiveness, and for fruit growing there is are splendid buildings of advanced architec tural design. The Church of Eugland is re presented by 4 churches, viz., St. George church—Rev. E. Bland—a stone building with spire, and bell tower in which is a chime of 9 bells. St Thomas church—Rev. W. J. Armitage, Rector—is a fine church built of Armitage, Rector—is a fine church built of stone, with a massive tower at the northeast corner. Christ church is in counection with this parish, and is a small wooden building on the other side of the canal. St. Barnabas church—Rev. A. W. McNab, Incumbent—has an attractive stone front, and a very handsome altar. This is what is known as the "high" church.

The Baptists have a good church with a beautiful interior, and the pastor, Rev. A Murdoch, LLD., is widely known for ability and progressive views. 4 miles and by rail 71 miles, the Hon, R. Hamilton of Queenstown. the year 1784, the time Butler's Rangers beautiful interior, and the pastor, Rev. A Murdoch, LL.D., is widely known for ability and progressive views.

The Methodists have 3 churches, and among irst the continent it was placed at the discentification of the continent it was placed at the discentification of the continent of the marine highway made easy of access from both and gave it united water power for the development of unfacturing industries. This great public is has exerted such a beneficial influence St. Catharines that a few words description of the canal as now sularged and improved the not be out of place. From Port borne on Lake Erie to Port Dalhousie on ke Ontario the distance is 262 miles. The series of level between the two lakes is 2 feet, which is overcome by 25 lift looks, and ween Allauburg and Port Dalhousie, and with There is also a large Congregational Church. There is also a large Congregational Church at the manner. Sanitary planning receives appearance is well as proprietor of a music allowed with the present institution. C. M. Arnold, who has the closest prices.

In 1853 the District Bank was established there and most imposing church building in this section of 500. The first is a graced by a tall spire of symmetrical proportions. Rev. W. J. Maxwell is metrical proportions. Rev. W. J. Maxwell is proprietor of a music store with a full stock of musical goods of every description; among the leading articles are the Bell and Hentzton the others, but is in a prospectous condition. Rev. Mr. There are three Presbyterian church, and the Raynes-avenue Presbyterian church, and the Raynes-avenue Presbyterian church, and the Rev. Geo. Burrows is the largest with a seating capacity of 700. Rev. J. H. Ratchilfe is pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and the Rev. Geo. Burrows is pastor of Knox church. The other is without a settled pastor at present.

There is also a large Congregational Church is agent for the celebrated be out of passario the distance is 262 miles. The set of level between the two lakes is of level between the two lakes is et, which is overcome by 25 lift locks, 170x45 feet, all on the morthern division sen Allanburs and Port Dalhousie, and waterway throughout has a depth of 14 the lock of Knox church. The other is without a settled pastor of Knox church. The other is also a large Congregational Church Chicago Go.'s gas stoves, and atention. He is a settled pastor of Knox church. The other is also a large Congregational Church Chicago Go.'s gas stoves, and atention. He is a settled pastor of Knox church. The other is also a large Congregational Church Chicago Go.'s gas stoves, and atention. He is a settled pastor of knox church. The St. Catharines Roman Catholic church is a commodious edifice, and has been enlarged the canal over the Welland River is a fingnificent piece of masonry 277 feet wide. Near Thorold is a tunnel 713 feet long under the canal, shrough which is the track of the few days which is the track of the sense of years, and has secured complete public confidence.

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The members of the Council Board for 1889 are as follows: J. B. McIntyre Mayor, icillors-W. Chaplin, C. Burch, J. Dur puncillors—W. Chaplin, C. Burch, J. Dun-p, S. Emmest, J. W., Grote, J. McLean, J. Robinson, C. Elhott, A. Chaffeld, H. McGuire, T. Beattie, J. W. King, jr., R. Immitt, W. Bald, C. G. Patey, E. D. pisard, R. McGeachie, W. Magness. John bisen is City Clerk and W. A. Mettleberger

1826 the population was about 60. In 1845 it

eing Calvin Brown. The ratio of prosperity

be judged by the population

total real and personal property and taxable income as \$4,662,410, divided as follows: real

erty \$3,917,770, personal \$628,400, in-

ated as a village, in 1850 as a

PREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

PROMINENT BUILDINGS.

Among the prominent buildings are the

ffice, finished in 1884 and costing \$35,000, St.

THE M.P.

St. Catharines is the home of John C.

MILITARY.

BUSINESS HOUSES.

McLaren & Co..

double, 53x110 feet, 3 stories and basement, and

fitted up with everything that will add to the

ustomers to the upper flats. The ground

12-14 St. Paul, has a general ticket office

The Lankin House,

hotographer, has commodious rooms fitt

in the best of style and occupies a flat on the

WATERWORKS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT. The enterprise and energy of the citizens is seen in the splendid system of waterworks, constructed a few years ago, and costing with extensions up to the present time \$250,000. The water gravitates from Lake Erie to a reservoir on high ground at Decew Falls, 32 miles distant, and gives a water pressure in the city of 80 lbs, to the square inch; 160 hydrants are placed on the streets, and occasional additions will have to be made according as the city is built up. The fire or nose, nooks and ladders and all other appliances to ensure first-class protection against fire. The companies are all volunteers, though a liberal grant is made by the city anually, and 2 men only on salaries are employed. In one of the stations the firemen have two handsomely furnished parlors n which to hold their meetings.

HOW THE CITY IS LIGHTED. In 1856 the St. Catharines and Welland Canal Gas Light Company was organized, with a capital of \$80,000, to light the town and Government to light the latter. When the new canal was finished a contract to light it for 21 years was given them and as extensions and improvements were required to carry this out the capital was increased to 3130,000. In the city there are about 14 miles of mains and about 10 miles on the canal, or a ital of about 24 miles. In 1884 the St. Catharines Electric Light

and Power Company was organized, and the Thomson-Houston Arc system was adopted, and the United States system of incandescent, water power being obtained at Lock 5. There are 4 arc dynamos, 3 of 35 light especity and 1 of 45 lights; 53 are placed on the streets, for which the city pays 30 cents per light for all night. When the moon is in good humor has a pay and are not night. When the moon is in good numor and in working order her operations are not interfered with and the lights fail to show up. There are 250 incandescent lights, all of which are taken up. For these 32 cents per charged.

In 1829 what is now called the Collegiate Lev i Lankin, proprietor, is situated on the corner of St. Paul and Brewery-streets. It is to the present has maintained a brilliant The building is a handsome twostory brick structure with tower, capable of In modating 300 pupils. It has all the modern equipments, such as gymnasium, assembly hall, and a full supply of scientific and hechanical apparatus. Seven teachers are employed, J. Henderson being the Principal J. C. Rykert, M.P., is chairman of

feet, and carries a full stock of groceries and provisions, and besides doing a large retail trade does considerable jobbing business. Great attention is paid to teas, of which a large stock is kept. Canned goods, foreign and domestic fruits, and everything in the line required for table use will be found pure and fresh. Sugars are in large supply and bought before the advance in price. the Board.
The Public School buildings are the Central The Public School buildings are the Central with 12 rooms and 10 regular tembers, all highly qualified, and 4 in the Kindergarten, 5 ward schools with 15 teachers, or a total of 29. The aggregate astendance is 1300 and the average 1600. Regarding the Kindergarten the testimony is that it brightens the intellects of the little ones wonderfully and has proved a complete success. The beneficial effect of the system is appreciated by the teachers in the higher rooms when the pupils are promoted. D. C. Hetherington is Head Master of the Public Schools.

The Separate School consists of 3 buildings. sorner of St. Paul and Ontario-streets. The

Bon Marche. able styles and good fits. He keeps a large stock of Scotch, English, Irish, French and Canadian tweeds to select from, and is always up to time with the newest goods. Twenty lands are employed making up. Gents' furtishings are also kept in large supply and injude all the novelties.

51 St. Paul-street, chemist and druggist, carries a general assortment of pure drugs and chemicals, the standard proprietary medicines, fancy goods, toilet articles and all articles required by physicians in their practice. Physicians prescriptions and all difficult formulæ are carefully and accurately compounded.

The Bank of Commerce city, and is ably conducted by the present manager, F. O. Cross.

Coy Bres.
are among the well established and reputable houses and deal in shelf and heavy hardware, carriage makers' and builders' supplies, black. carriage makers' and builders' supplies, black-smiths' irons, carpenters' and farmers' tools, glass, putty, paints, oils and everything imaginable in the line. The intimate relations of this firm with manufacturers and first liands place them in a position to offer any inducements to purchasers in the way of cheap and substantial goods.

33 Queen-street, deals in all kinds of musical instruments. He handles the Dominion instruments. He handles the Dominion piano and Dominion organ very extensively, and it is a significant fact that of the 600 sold by him sance 1883 not one has ever had to be returned to the factory for any defect. Mr. Gowan attends to the general management of the business himself and has the reputation of a reliable and upright business man. Band instruments and every musical instrument in demand are kept in stock, and all are sold at the closest prioces.

drng store from Jas. Mill, and is conducting it with the vigor and energy of youth. It is one of the oldest established stands in the city, and is widely known for the variety and purity of its drugs and medicines. The proprietor had the very best training in compounding prescriptions in Chicago, and makes this part of the business a specialty. The manufacture of remedies will be carried on as before. (851 and was continued with very moderate uccess until the Ontario Government commenced making annual grants to these insti-tutions. Some time ago it was transferred to the city and is now a free public library. It contains about 6000 well-selected books, and the intellectual tastes of the citizens are mani-fested by the use they make of the library.

R. C. Fitzgerald has been established in business since and does a large wholesale liquor business. He keeps on hand a large stock of tife purest wines, brandies and other liquors which the market offers and money can buy. Ales and porters from the best breweries. county buildings, costing \$32,000, the post office, finished in 1884 and costing \$35,000, St. Joseph's Convent, Protestant Home and Refuge, General and Marine Hospital, Masonic Temple, Academy of Music, St. Catharines Business College, McLaren & Co.'s store, the Syndicate stores, the Keating Block, Grand Central Block, Broadway Block and others.

T. Orr, 42 and 44 St. Paul-street and 26 St. Paul- D. Spence, proprietor, is a nicely fitted up and street, is proprietor of two harness shops, and well furnished hotel, with good accommodakeeps from 6 to 12 skilled workmen constantly tion and all necessary comforts and is largely patronized. Good yard and stabling and extrunks, valides, saddles, blankets, whips, cellent equipment throughout. Terms, \$1 per keeps from 0 to 12 skilled workmen constantly employed. There is a large display of harness, trunks, valises, saddles, blankets, whips, brushes and everything in the line. As a manufacturer of harness few have a better reputation, and customers can depend both on good work and good material.

Central Block, Broadway Block and others.

COUNTY OFFICIALS.

The officials of the County of Lincoln, of which St. Catherines is the capital, are as follows: E. J. Senker, Judge; T. O. Dawson, Sheriff; J. M.E.wen, Co. Attorney and Clerk of the Peace; Thos. Keep, Treasurer: Johnston Clench, Co. Clerk; J. G. Currie, Registrar, and J. Hamilton. St. Catharines is the home of John C. Rykert, who has been so prominently before the public lately on account of his speech on the Jesuit Bill disallowance. He has a beautiful residence, known as Chestnut Lodge, with several acres of grounds attached, in the heart of the city, and is, a large property owner in other parts of it. modern convenience. Power is supplied from the canal and two water wheels drive the machinery. The factory has been running for 3 years, and so favorably has its productions oldest established house in the city, and the oldest established bouse in the city, and the 3 years, and so favorably has its productions been received that new machinery is now being put in to increase the capacity by 25 per cent. To keep pace with the orders it is now run until 9 o'clock every evening; 40 looms are now in operation. It is the only factory in Canada that makes coat paddings, and as the aim is to make a fine class of goods their goods are displacing the imported goods almost entirely. The machinery is very ingenious and it is most interesting to watch the needle nick up one hair out of hundreds. The military is represented by the Welland Field Battery, the 2nd Regiment of Cavalry and the 19th Lincoln Battalion of Infantry. 19-21 St. Paul-street, carry on an extensive business comprising general dry goods—staple and fancy—millinery, cloaks and mantles, ingenious and it is most interesting to watch the needle pick up one hair out of hundreds or even thousands, and instantly try again; even to the third time if it happens to miss. essmaking, tailoring, boys' and children's ready made clothing, and everything in house

a new store in the Rykert Block i furnishings, excepting carpets. The store is Queen-street, 36x100 feet, handsomely fitted moved here in 1858. R. H. Smith purchased up and has few if any superiors either for apcomfort and coveniences of customers and employes. A hydraulic elevator conveys earance or accommodation in the Province He deals in stoves of every kind, including gas He deals in stoves of every kind, including gas atoves made by the Gas Stove Co. of Toronto, sheet iron, copper and tinware. Special attention is given to plumbing of every kind, including not water and steam heating. On hand is always a plentiful supply of gas fittings, chandeliers, oil fixtures in bronze and brass mountingse, olored and decorated shades and every equipment in the line. The stock throughout is in keeping with the splendid store, and the whole establishment is a credit and a valuable acquisition to any city. customers to the upper flats. The ground floor is replete with everything in the dry goods imp, embracing all the novelties, pur chased from first hands, with the cash and book-keeper office in the centre. The second flat is devoted to the wholesale business and part of it as a mantle department. The third flat is divided into rooms for manufacturing purposes. Special attention is given to ordered clothing, cloaks and millinery. This house was established in 1848 and apparently gets, more energetic and enterprising with time. 70 hands are employed here.

Bank of Toronto, the management of G. W. Hodgetts during and is agent for railways, steamboats, etc. He is secretary-treasurer of the Electric Light Company and manager and proprietor of the the past 5 years and is a popular monotary

72 King-streets, is a painter whose work cludes plain and ornamental painting, house, sign, carriage and boat painting. Paper sign, carriage and boat painting. Paper hanging and decorating is one of his specialties, and a large stock of paper is kept, varying from 5 cents to \$15 a roll, and sold wholesale and retail. The patterns are of the newest designs and are well worthy of inspection. Hartshorn rollers, window poles and other furnishing kept on hand. a neat, well-fitted up hotel, and, judging by the numbers who patronize it, is well appreciated. In connection there is a good barn, stabling and ample yard room. The present proprietor has been 3 years in occupation and makes a popular landlord

Chas. O'Beam L. D. S .. has elegant apartments in Victoria Chan. 45 St. Paul-street, has a large store, 24x100 feet, and carries a full stock of groceries and hers, in the new block built by C. Rykert,
M. P. The office is supplied with all the
mattern appliances of the profession and being
a dentist of a high order of merit, he has a large

old Welland Canal. Cutton batting, wadding and upholsterers' supplies are extensively manufactured. A new company has been corganized lateig with a capital sufficient to manufacture all the batting and wadding required to supply the trade of the Dominion.

The company is now manufacturing a patent rolled cotton batting which is taking a place in almost every dry goods store in the Province.

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McKinnon & Mitchell, 104 106 St. Paul-street, are dealers in car-riage makers, supplies, and while confining riage makers, supplies, and while coufining themselves exclusively to this branch aim to make it complete in every respect. They have a large stock of wood-work, trimmings, rubbers, leathers, and everything required in the business. They have been 10 years in business and have built up a large and growing trade.

barristers, have an ffloce in Queen-street and do a large commercial business. They are solicitors for the St. Catharines and Niagara Central Railway Co., having been appointed when the company was first formed.

II. O'Loughlia s a dealer in coal of every kind, and is one of the most extensive in his line in the city. His yard is G.T.R. station, but orders are delivered to all parts of the city. Mr. O'Loughlin ed to all parts or the city. Mr. Changingis regarded as a reliable business man generally and public confidence in his integrityis evinced by placing him in positions of trust.
He is secretary-treasurer of the Canadian Lacrosse Association and secretary of St.
George's Lodge of A.F. and A.M., and has
always proved a competent and painstaking
officer.

W. H. McCordick deals in wood and coal of all kinds, hard and soft wood sawed and split, and delivers in all parts of the city. He has been in the business eight or nine years, is well and favoratly known, and does a large trade. He has been in the tan-ning business for 18 years, and is noted for his productions of fine calf and kip, and speci-ally for the manufacture of lace leather. In tanned and raw hide lace leather he has the highest reputation in the Dominion and does the largest business. Tanned lace has a first-class reputation all over the Dominion for its excellent quality. Raw lace is guaranteed to keep soft and pliable until worn out, and is in good demand. Orders are promptly attended He has been in the business eight or

The Welland Canal Mills.

James Norris is the proprietor of three roller process flouring mills, one at Thorold and two here, distinguished by A and B, with a total capacity of upwards of 1000 bbls.per day. One capacity of upwards of 1000 bbls.per day. One of the mills here has just been remodelled and fitted up by Geo. T. Smith & Co. of Stratford, with the latest and most improved roller process and machinery, thus placing the whole three in the forefront among modern mills. For general equipment they are excelled by none, and only one firm in the Dominion has mills to exceed them in capacity. Electric light plant has lately been introduced and the mills have their own special lights. Among the noted brands of flour made from spring wheat are the "Windsor" and "Solitaire." and from fall wheat the "Pearl," "Herald" and "White Star." Wheat is obtained all over and is brought in both by rail and water. The The Southern division of the Grand Trunk
Railway passes through the city. The other
lines are the Welland division running north
and south, connecting with the Michigan
Central, Great Western Air line and the Buitarious kinds of goods usually found in a
similar establishment.

The premises occupied are commodious, and
have carried it on with much success.

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This road, running from St. Catharines to Niathe 27th December last, and being the most 25 St. Paul-street, chemist and druggist, has deals in boots and shoes, trunks and valises, direct road to Buffalo is doing a very good business. As soon as there is a certainty of the Government bonus the extension to Torthe Buffalo is doing a very good business. In the stock and other facilities for both a restriction to Torthe Buffalo is doing a very good business. As soon as there is a certainty of the beautiful to the stock and other facilities for both a restriction to Torthe Buffalo is doing a very good business. As soon as there is a certainty of the business, and the beautiful to the business and best Canadian and American makers. In this the stock and other facilities for both a redirect road to Buffalo is doing a very good business. As soon as there is a certainty of the Government bonus the extension to Toronto will be commenced and pushed on to completion. The officers of the company are as follows: Dr. Offle, President; S. Neelon, Vice-President; R. Wood, Secretary-Treasurer; J. Vanderberg, Superintendent, and W. W. Warburton, Freight and Passenger Agent.

Ellis House,

W. S. Armstrong, 27 St. Paul-street, deals in hats, caps, gent furnishings, furs, and also handles raw furs manufacture grades of hair cloth for upholsterers' use, also for coat paddings for tailors' use. The factory is a new brick 3 story building 50x90 feet and is a model in every respect. It is light arry, steam heated, with city water in every flat, and every modern convenience. Power is supplied from the canal and two water wheels drive the

oldest established house in the city, and the present proprietor, F. C. Halberstadt, who assumed control two years ago, keeps it up to the times. It is a 3-story brick building, with 36 bedrooms and a number of parlors and string rooms. It is well furnished, lighted with the electric light, and a recent mark of entrprise is the addition of a splendid new fire escape.

R. H. Smith Co. (Limited.)

4 inch circular up to 7 feet, and from the largest cross-cut down to a keyliole saw. The business was first established in Hamilton by
J. Flint of Rochester, N.Y., in 1855, and was
moved here in 1858. R. H. Smith purchased
Mr. Flint's interest in 1870 and the present
company was formed in July last with R. H.
Smith as president, John W. Coy vice-president and manager and W. A. Rawlings as
secretary. The factory is a 3 story stone
building 55x170 feet, situated in St. Paul-Smith as president, John W. Coy vice-president and manager and W. A. Rawlings as secretary. The factory is a 3 story stone building 55x170 feet, situated in St. Paulstreet in the heart of the city, and the power is supplied by a 75 horsepower Goldie & McCulloch engine. It is fitted up with the best of modern machinery and every appliance for safety of men and premises: steam heated and lighted with gas. It is one of St. Catharines' most important industries, employing 60 skilled workmen, and is the largest in the Dominion and makes the most complete line Dominion and makes the most complete line of saws. In cross-cut alone 96 different sizes are manufactured. The hand saws are fully of saws. In cross-cut alone 30 cinerent sizes are manufactured. The hand saws are fully equal to the American, and cross-cut and circulars are not excelled by any other saws on the continent. They are all tempered under what is known as the Simmond's patent process, for which this firm hold all the patents for Canada. Saws tempered by this process are perfectly uniform in temper and are acknowledged by the leading saw mill men to be the beat in the market. The business extends from Victoria to Halifax, and has increased so rapidly of late that the firm find difficulty in keaping pace with the orders. Suthrie's Corset Factory,

109 St. Paul-street. This well-known factory commenced 11 years ago, and it has social relations so intimate, that they appear tendily grown in favor until the business has more like one place than three separate become far-reaching in its extent. A great municipalities. The electric cars from St. Catharines to Thorold, one of which starts orders are promptly filled. Auyone sending from each end every 20 minutes, give the pas dessmakers' measure can be fitted. The corsets large practice.

The Queen Street Hatter.

A. Andrews, 19 Queen-street, deals exclusively in last, caps and furs, and promptly receives all the latest and most fashionable styles. He was for years in St. Paul-street, but decided to move to Queen, and has had no reason to regret the change.

St. Catharines Hatting & Wadding Co.

This company has a large facto y on the upper mill race between locks 3 and 4 on the ressmakers' measure can be fitted. The cor-

nusts' goods generally. His store has become the centre for cigars and a large business is done. In the rear are pool and billiard tables, which are well patronized.

of considerable importance, employing 25 men and sending its manufactures all over mill work, special castings for waterworks and all kinds of job work is done, while a specialty is made of the Dominion Water Wheel, of which A. D. Cole is patentee. In these special lines their work bears a first-class reputation. the country. Engines are manufactured,

Rateliffe & Parnell, 113 St. Paul-street, are dealers in coal and wood stoyes, ranges, house furnishing goods and tinware of every kind, and keep abreast of the times in everything pertaining to their business. Their stoves are from the manufac-turers of established reputation and are guar-anteed to be satisfactory in every respect. Empire Mills.

The roller grist mill of S. Neelon is in some respects about the best in the Province. The building is 55x100 ft., 5 stories high, cut sandstone, broken ashlar work, white stone trimmings and tin root. The basement is all masoury and concrete. It has the full roller process, with a capacity of 600 bbls, per day. One peculiarity we noticed which is perhaps deserving of mention. As a rule the wheel is under the mill, but here it is on the outside at the wares and 50 or 50 fact distant from the is under the mill, but here it is on the outside
of the race, and 50 or 60 feet distant from the
mill. The advantage of this is that no dampness is created in the mill and the whole basement can be utilized for milling purposes. A
bassenger elevator, manufactured by Leitch &
Turnoull of Hamilton, takes the employes to
any flat of the building. Among the celebrated brands of flour manufactured here the following may be mentioned: White Rose, Snow
Flak, Silver Orown and Amaranth. These
are popular brands and have a large sale in the
cities of Outario, and are also shipped extennively to the Maritime Provinces.

J. Gilmere,
119 St. Paul-street, opposite the Grand Central Hotel, has two adjoining stores and keeps a well selected stock of bed-room, dining-room and parlor sets, sid-boards, centre tables and furniture of every description, all of which he liable makers and many of them first-class

G. Wilson

Carlisle Bros. & Co., 41-43 St. Paul-street, have handsome new premises, 36x122, three stories and basement, fitted up from top to bottom in magnifice fitted up from top to bottom in magnificent style, and furnished with all known modern conveniences. The office is in front, the cash office in centre, counters in the centre and Lawson's cash transit system reaches all parts of the store. The ground floor is devoted to dry goods, and the chief denartments are the ribbon department, gents' furnishing and clothing department. On the right the Manchester department, further in the dress goods and silk department, further the ladies' underclothing department, surther the ladies' underclothing department, and the centre is devotoilcloths and everything to fit out a house complete. This manunoth business was estab-lished by H. Carlisle in 1851 and taken over

W. W. Greenwood. that being occupied with the described in the stock and other facilities for both a retail and wholesale trade. In addition to the stock of drugs, chemicals and all the medicines of good repute, will be found perfumes, scaps, fancy goods, cut-glass ware and all sundries required for toilet, &c. He has been twenty the business, and enjoys the complete years in the business, and enjoys the complete confidence of the public. Prescriptions are care fully and correctly compounded. The Grand Central Hotel,

John Allison, proprietor, is a 3 story brick-building, with 50 bedrooms for guesta, spacious parlors and sitting rooms, and ample sample room accommodation. It is ateam heated lighted with the electric light and fitted up in udsome style and every room furnished with electric bell. It is centrally located, and an electric bell. It is centrally located, and the steamer plying between Montreal and St. Catharines lands her passengers in rear of the hotel. It is the leading commercial hotel of the city and does a large business. Broadway Store.

Henry J. Rolls, corner St. Paul and Acalemy-streets, has large premises and keeps all the goods usually to be tound in a first-class grocery and provision store. In the rear there is a shop where fresh and cured meats there is a shop where tresh and cured meats are cut up and supplied to customers. A full supply is always kept, including smoked meats from Lawry & Son, Harritton. A basement full size and commodious storerooms furnish every facility for the large and comprehensive business carried on here.

Syndicate Dry Goods Store. This store on the corner of St. Paul and William-streets is built of cut stone, 3 stories high, 30x116, and is one of the most attractive the city. On the ground floor gest cross-cut down to a keyhole saw. The wear, gloves, staples, gents' fürnishings, silks and siness was first established in Hamilton by laces. On the second floor are the dressmak-

Woodburn "Sarven" Wheel Co. of Canad This company have extensive brick premises, team power-an exception to the rule-and manufacture all kinds of vehicle wheels, makmanufacture all kinds of vehicle wheels, making a specialty of the Sarven patent, and employ 75 hands, the average production being 60 set per day, making a yearly output exceeding that of all other manufactures in the line put together. They are sole manufacturers of the Woodburn Shell Band Wheel, which is growing in pepularity and is largely in demand. The manager is Mr. R. McKinley, who has been in the wheel business in Canada (or 30 years and who has the reputation of for 30 years, and who has the reputation of allowing nothing but first-class work to pass through his hands. Their productions are shipped all over, from Halifax to British Columbia.

THOROLD.

The city of St. Catharines, the village of Merritton and the town of Thorold are in such close proximity, and their commercial and senger the impression that he is merely travel

lage in 1850, and as a town in 1875. It has excellent high and public achools, magnific churches, a Ronald steamer and all necessions. lovely seenery, and as an agricultural section there is none superior. The town itself has all the attractions of fine buildings, educational

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Bougan & Brown.

The business now conducted by this firm was established by Robert Dougan, father of one conducted by him for 40 years. The present partnership was formed about 2 years ago, and the business is being carried on with increased energy. They carry a large and varied stock, consisting of groceries and provisions, crockery, glassware, hardware, paints and oils, varnishes, wood and willow ware, and various other kinds of goods. Both are pushing and enterprising men, and are bound to succeed. Their aim is to give good value, and they study to please and satisfy their customers. M'Cleury & McLean

manufacture and supply every kind of lumber and dimension timber. The planing mid is fitted up with the best modern machinery, and large quantities of doors, sash, blinds and other requisites are turned out. They employ 30 hands and do an extensive business.

City Hotel,

John Hammon, proprietor, is centrally locat ed at the corner of Front and Claremon streets at the terminus of the electric street railway. It is a 2½-story brick building with stone facings, 60 x 160 feet. It affords ex cellent accommodation, and is steam heated has the electric light and with brick stable and drive shed in the rear. The proprietor has been running it for 7 years past, and has more than upheld its reputation as a first-class hotel in every respect.

The Bank of Commerce.

The building occupied by this institution was specially built for it 15 years ago and is wal adapted for the business. The present manager, W. J. Robertson, has occupied the position for 12 years and appears to have the hearty good-will of the business community.

John Erliker is now building a two-story brick double stor 32x40, for the accommodation of his furnitur business. He keeps a good stock, from com THE RATHBUN CO. - DESERONTO, Ont business. He keeps a good stock, from other mon up to the finest upholstered sets, and the late large increase in trade has necessitated the enlarged accommodation which he is now preparing. He ateadily employs one of the most skilled upholsterers and is thus prepared to offer fine furniture unsurpassed either in quality or price. The Quebec Bank.

This institution was established here 1872, and transacts a large share of the bank ing business of the place. For the past years D. B. Crombie has managed the bu

glassware, lamp goods, &c., and has a very attractive store in the Oddfellows' Block, Front-street. During the past four years he has worked up a substantial business, the result of keeping the best and choicest goods the market can produce and selling them at the minimum of profit.

carries on the largest carriage-making general blacksmithing business in town, and in addition to other work devotes special attention to horseshoeing. He is generally and has an established reputation for turning out the most substantial and reliable work. He is deputy-reeve of the town and an ener-Thomas Cowan

grades, giving ample variety for every taste. He is now opening out a large stock for the spring and summer trade and intends to make things more interesting for his customers than ever. While satisfied with the way his business has develoued in the past, he is convinced that the excellent value of his spring styles will increase it still more. Close prices and superior articles is his motto. He is the only one that keeps a special line of trunks and values, and as he keeps a finely assorted stock customers can rely on getting goods to their taste.

British Hotel, grades, giving ample variety for every taste.

British Hotel, James Coan, proprietor, is located on street, and is a well-app inted and well-con-ducted house. It has lately been painted and decorated, and has a comfortable home-like look. The proprietor has been 16 years in the biouse and has the general good will of the public, and is well patronized. Good yard and stabling. Terms \$1 per day. Ontario Silver Company.

The building in which are the works of this important industry is three stories 40x100 feet. The products are flat ware, consisting of knives, forks and spoons, and they have the reputation of being unexcelled in the market. They employ on an average about 40 hands, most of them being skilled artisans. They sell to the wholesale houses only.

The Welland Flouring Mills, or as they are commonly called, Howland's Mils, are 5 stories high and though built 40 years ago are as solid and complete as ever. They are fitted up with the most modern roller They are fitted up with the most modern roller process machinery and lave as capacity of 500 bols, per day. The flour manufactured here has the best reputation all over the Dominion. There is a cooper shop in connection for the manufacture of barrels. From 18 to 20 men are employed in the mills and cooper shop. C. A. Kyle, chemist and druggist, Main-street, has a com

plete stock of drugs and medicines, including all the standard proprietary medicines, druggista' sundries, and all articles usually to be gists sundries, and all articles usually to be found in similar establishments. It has always been his aim to keep pure drings and chemicals, and has a high reputation for the compounding of physicians' prescriptions and family recipes. He is agent for the C.P.R. Telegraph Co.

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