

GROWING GRANBY

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5,000,000 feet are turned over in a year. The output of boxes of all kinds is about 5,000 a day. Mr. N. A. Meyer is the president, and Mr. J. Wolferstan Thomas the secretary-treasurer, of the Company.

Chairs and Baby Carriages Made

Reed, cane, wood and fibre chairs and baby carriages are made at the factory of Giddings Ltd., on Mill Street. Of this business, Mr. Herbert Giddings is president; Mr. W. F. Giddings vice-president; Mr. O. V. Giddings, secretary-treasurer; and Mr. Charles Wilson is factory manager. At this plant, which consists of one big five-storey building, containing some 38,000 square feet of floor space, the average number of persons employed is around 100.

The output of chairs is from 8,000 to 10,000 a month, and that of baby carriages between 5,000 and 6,000 a year. The baby carriage business is confined to the Canadian and West Indian trade. Of the cane and wood seat chairs, about sixty per cent. are exported, and chiefly to New Zealand and South Africa.

Granby Elastic Web Company, Ltd.

Mr. P. E. Boivin, the present Mayor of Granby, is president of the Granby Elastic Web Company, Ltd.; Mr. R. Bergeron is the vice-president; and Mr. A. J. Lemieux the secretary-treasurer. About 100 persons are employed at this plant, which has a floor space of about 50,000 square feet, and which has been recently extended in such a manner as to enable it to double its output very shortly, and equipped with the most up-to-date machinery.

The Company manufactures elastic webs and cords. While manufacturing narrow fabrics, it specializes in elastic webs, cords, fine garter, suspender and correct webs. It also sells to the wholesale dry goods trade. In the extension which has recently been made to the factory, the machinery is just being installed. The present output is around 9,000,000 yards a year and this will be very largely increased when the new plant is in actual operation.

Many Other Thriving Concerns.

Though the businesses so far mentioned are the largest in size in Granby there are many other thriving manufacturing concerns in operation.

For example, there is the Granby Manufacturing Company, at the corner of Court and Franklin Streets, which manufactures celluloid specialties and which is noted for the exquisite character of the work that it does for high-class jewelers. This concern employs some 30 persons.

The firm of R. B. McComiskey & Co. also manufactures celluloid goods, such as combs, barrettes, hair pins, ladies' dress buckles and novelties.

The Granby Carriage Works, on Mill Street, makes carriages and does automobile painting and so forth. Mr. M. A. Vittie is the head of this business, which gives employment to some 40 men.

La Compagnie de Balais, of which Petit Freres are the proprietors, manufactures brooms. These, it supplies all over the Province as well as locally.

Mr. George Legge is the general manager of the Granby Printing and Publishing Company at the corner of Drummond Street and City Avenue. From this office is issued the weekly paper, the "Leader-Mail."

The Sanitary Plumbing Manufacturing Company, at its plant on St. Charles Street, manufactures lavatory tanks and seats and ash-sifters. It also has a brass foundry for castings. Mr. G. Bradford is the proprietor of this business which employs about 15 persons.

Mr. A. E. Solomon is the proprietor of the Kent Lumber Company which manufactures sashes and doors at its factory on Elgin Street, and carries on a business of general contractors. About 25 men are employed.

Another firm of sash and door manufacturers is that of Barre-Charron, saw-mill proprietors. This factory is at the corner of Court and Franklin Streets and employs some 15 men.

Yet another sash and door manufacturer is Albea Messier, who is located on Main Street.

Mr. Eugene Bourgeois is the proprietor of the Granby Cap Manufacturing Company, which makes cloth caps at its factory on Main Street and employs

around half a dozen hands. This concern turns out a very nice kind of cap which is much liked locally.

Morin & Sylvestre, on Main Street, are manufacturers of soft drinks.

Mr. A. Martel has a flour and grist mill on Main Street, as has Mr. N. Chabot on Yong Street.

Mr. John Bradford is the proprietor of marble works which enjoy a good repute.

Where Palmer Cox Lives.

Palmer Cox, the creator of the world-famous "Brownies," those quaint little fanciful folk which, in his drawings, have amused, possibly millions of children of all ages, lives at Granby. He was, indeed, born there eighty years ago, and to Granby he returned after his genius with the pencil and the unique humor of his work had brought him widespread fame outside. And at Granby he has built himself a delightful residence, known, appropriately, as "Brownie Castle."

GROUP INSURANCE FOR CIVIC EMPLOYEES.

A resolution that group insurance be effected with the Canada Life Assurance Company to cover all Westmount city employees, with the exception of the principal officials, was moved by Alderman Brown, se-

conded by Alderman Rutherford, and carried unanimously at the meeting of the Westmount city council last week. The plan provides insurance of \$500 for each employee of from 6 months to 1 year's service, \$600 from 1 to 2 years, \$700 from 2 to 3, \$800 from 3 to 4, \$900 from 4 to 5, \$1,000 from 5 to 6, \$1,100 from 6 to 7, \$1,200 from 7 to 8, \$1,300 from 8 to 9, \$1,400 from 9 to 10, and \$1,500 in the case of each employee who has served 10 or more years. This insurance is actually in effect at present, and the resolution passed last night merely added the official seal of approval.

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