



Waldorf Hotel.

THE WALDORF HOTEL, R. B. Oardner, Prop.—For many years the Waldorf Hotel has set the standard in Hamilton for hotel service, and is the house that gives Hamilton distinction among those who travel or in any way study business conditions. It has the rare distinction of giving a ball in honor of King Edward on the opening of the house. Eight years ago the house was entirely remodelled and has every convenience known to modern hotel service. Of its eighty-five guest rooms one-third are provided with bath, all are large, light and well ventilated, and furnished in the most approved style, with steam heat, electric light, telephone, etc. Mr. Oardner became proprietor a year and a half ago, and has greatly increased the efficiency of its service and added to the popularity of the house. The hotel man of long experience, having been clerk in the Waldorf-Astoria in New York and also in the King Edward Hotel at Toronto. This house is strictly American in its plan and is a credit to the city, enjoying an individuality of its own, and which is not found in other hotels.

KERR & COOMBS FOUNDRY CO., W. H. Kerr, Pres., Geo. A. Coombes, Sec'y, Frank A. Kerr, Treas., Geo. Coombes, Manager, Wm. Coombes, Director.—This business was organized in 1892, incorporated in 1904, and is the only foundry to the city that runs all the year. They have facilities for making castings of any size, making a specialty of machinery casting and jobbing work. The plant is arranged with an eye to economy of time and space, which gives them the advantage in volume of work turned out in given space and also in prices. About fifty men are employed. The business is one of the representative business of the province and an important part of commercial records in Hamilton. The uniform excellence of their products has given them favor with the trade as far as their name is known and placed them on a pinnacle in the creative world.

THE HERBERT JONES CO., LTD., Plumbing, Roofing and Sheet Metal Work, 124 King Street W.—This company is wide reaching in the manufacture and disposition of copper, tin and galvanized iron ware and prominent as a plumbing establish-

ment. They have for seven years been marching step by step to the front, and to-day they are recognized as one of the influential and progressive concerns of Hamilton. Their plant is perfectly equipped and continually growing as a demand for improved machinery increases. As plumbers, roofers and sheet metal workers they handle contracts of magnitude and do a large per cent. of the business of the city and country. Their work includes all kinds of galvanized iron, tin and gravel roofing, and skylights, besides plumbing, steam and hot water heating, etc. The officers are among the promoters of the best interests of Hamilton. They are Wm. J. Jones, Pres., Theo. Jones, Vice-Pres., and Herbert Jones, Treas.

THOMAS C. WATKINS, The Right House.—This old established and progressive retail firm occupy an imposing structure on King Street East, corner Hughson, and do an immense business. The Right House is famous both abroad and at home for the high quality of the immense assortments

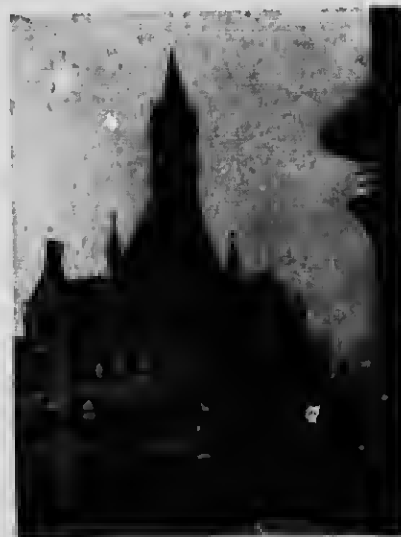


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of merchandise they carry, as well as the uniformly low prices which always rule and which is one of the characteristics of their fast growing business. The Right House imports on a large scale from foreign manufacturers, sending three buyers abroad semi-annually to carefully select the best of the world's dry goods productions. This great business was established in 1843, over 63 years ago, and has been steadily progressing until now it is known all over Canada as Hamilton's leading and best store. For this season greater preparations than ever before attempted have been made in anticipation of the great trade which they are enjoying. The Right House motto has always been "Onward toward betterment."

JOHN B. GAY, Interior Decorators and Stationers, 88-87 King Street East.—Mr. Gay has successfully conducted this business for twenty-seven years, and is recorded among the modern and progressive men of the city. He carries a choice line of stationery, from the plainest to the most elaborate styles, introduces many novelties that are exclusive, and handles a line of wall paper that reflects credit upon his judgment and taste. All that is beautiful is displayed in his stock, the grades are wisely selected, harmony of the highest order is prevailing throughout. He has done much towards cultivating a high appreciation for what is correct in home decorating and is relied upon for suggestions for when home decorations are in demand. He is frank and courteous in business and on the street.

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF CANADA, J. E. Magee, Manager.—The Merchants Bank of Canada, with head office at Montreal, established in 1854, is one of the oldest of the leading financial institutions of the Dominion. The Hamilton branch is one of the six factors in the upbuilding of our city and the developing of local interests. According to the report of the bank, issued May, 1906, the paid-up capital amounts to \$6,000,000.00 and the reserves and undivided profits aggregate \$3,674,596.19. Every accommodation consistent with conservative banking is extended to its customers of this institution, and large and small accounts are solicited. The Hamilton branch is in charge of Mr. J. E. Magee, who has been with the company for nearly twenty-five years. This institution has a brilliant future before it, and its success has been largely due to the conservative management and close personal attention of its officers.



Home of the Merchants Bank of Canada.