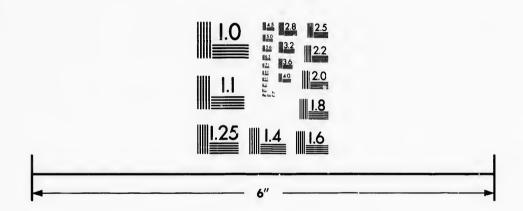


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THE AUTHOR.

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Those wishing to advertise in the pages of this book, I beg to inform them that they may obtain all information concerning the same by calling at my office, 163 St. James street, and I hope in a few days to call either myself or by my agent, to show the size and nature of the book, with the charges for a standing advertisement and business and professional cards, and will thank them in the meanwhile to take into consideration its value as an advertising medium, and to remember that any notice of their business they may think proper to insert will not be thrown away immediately after it is produced, but will be seen and read by many people many times and in many places. The following are a few of the subjects that will be found in this work: - Manufactories, Public Buildings, Churches, Colleges, Seminaries and Schools, Places of Amusements, Clubs and Lodges, Brokers, Banks, principal Wholesale and Retail Houses of Business, Railways, Steamboat and Shipping Companies, both Ocean and Inland, Charitable Institutions, Parks and Cemeteries, and various others.

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Tobacco Works of W. C. Mc-Donald, situated on Ontario street, between Iberville and Dufresne streets It is the largest and finest establish- ped. This space has been filled with ment on this continent engaged in the concrete made of plaster of Paris and manufacture of Cavendish Tobacco, as sand, excepting a small core in the a specialty, and with perhaps one ex- centre to lighten it. The concrete has ception in the United States, there is become nearly as hard as an ordinary no other of the kind showing an equal brick. This precaution renders it annual production of Cavendish To- almost impossible for a fire resulting bacco, notwithstanding that the popu- from accident to gain any headway belation of the United States is forty fore being discovered, and as its promillions and that of Canada only four gress would necessary be very slow it millions. The average number of per- could be extinguished with ease. The sons employed daily from the first of floors of each of the three upper sto-August when the works were opened ries are constructed in this manner, until the end of December, 1876, was and the spaces between the joists of about eleven hundred, and at this date about the same number is employed. The capacity of the machinery is more than double, the capital is also more of the three upper floors, making it than double that of any similar estab- warmer for winter and cooler for sumlishment in Canada; and the business, as nearly as can be ascertained, is considered to be greater than that of all rain leaving the roof by six six-inch the other Cavendish Tobacco manufactories in Canada put together. A detailed description may be interesting of warm air through the conductors, to some. An entire block of ground thereby preventing any accumulation bounded by four streets and measuring of snow or ice at the mouth in winter. nearly eight acres is devoted to the uses of the establishment. Ground for fire at the eaves. The covering is was broken and part of the foundation of tin, soldered and painted. was laid between the latter part of main building is four stories in height October and the middle of November, 1874. In the spring of 1875 work was five floors each two hundred and sixtyresumed and progressed steadily until four feet in length and one hundred August, 1876, when the works were and twenty feet in breadth. opened for business. The foundation wing which is used as a press-room is and the basement are of Montreal two hundred feet in length by one stone. The four stories of the main hundred and twenty feet in width, and building and the adjoining buildings most perfectly lighted in every part by are of red brick with yellow brick forty-eight sky-lights. The enginetrimmings. A novel method has been house is eighty feet by forty feet, and adopted in the construction to make contains two engines of seventy-five as possible, with the materials of the pumps. The boiler-house is fifty feet country.

centre and notched into the girders. It will be perceived that the intervening space between the joists is V shathe street floor are filled solid. spaces between the joists of the roof are filled in the same manner as those The roof is made to slope inwards from the eaves on all sides, the iron conductors connected with the sewers, which allow a constant current This form of roof presents no entrance besides the basement, making in all the building fire proof, or as nearly so horse-power each, and the hydraulic The joists were all sawn by fifty and twenty-five feet high, and three inches thick at the top edge, six contains four tubular boilers, each sixinches thick at the lower edge, and teen feet long by six feet in diameter, nine inches deep. These joists were representing three hundred horseplaced one foot apart from centre to power. The machine shop is eighty-

two feet by thirty, and contains black- different districts of the city. The thirty-three on universal hinges, the outside doors will be laid. opening outwards. In case of panic amongst the employees, there is, therebasement to the top, both being conabout five acres and three-eighths.

greatest conveniences and accommo- by casting deep shadows which tend dations to the city. Tracks are laid greatly to set off a building to advan-

smiths' forge, lathe, drilling, planing, first from Hochelaga or east end to grinding, and polishing machines. The the western limits and Tanneries, a carpenter's shop is forty-eight feet by distance of five miles, passing through All the windows, except St. Mary, Notre Dame, St. James and those of the basement, are of the Eng- St Joseph streets. The second dislish pattern, both top and bottom trict from Mile End through St. Lawsashes being balanced by weights. The rence street south to Craig street, to double windows are made in the same Bleury street, to St Catherine street, manner and remain up the year round. west to city limits or Côte St. Antoine, The tower, in which is the entrance a distance of four miles. The third and the main stair, is thirty-three feet district starting from Hochelaga or deep by twenty-four feet wide, and east end, running west the whole length rises to a height of about one hundred of St. Catherine street to Côte St. and forty feet. Is surrounded on top Antoine, a distance of three miles. by an iron railing and is surmounted The fourth district from Craig street, by a flag-staff. The stairs and the near Côté street east to Viger Garden, risers are of heavy cast iron, with hard and thence north up St. Denis street wood treads. The three circular stairs to city limits, being a distance of two leading from the fourth story to the and a half miles. Busses also run clock in the tower are entirely of iron, every half hour from the Post Office as a further precaution against fire. through St. James, McGill and Wel-The clock has four dials, their diame- lington streets to Point St Charles, ters being six feet. Owng to the near the Grand Trunk Railway offices, great width of the building viz: 120 on the other districts the cars pass from feet, it was considered desirable to every ten to fifteen minutes. The fare have a second stairs apart from the on either or each of these routes is five stairs in the tower, and it was placed cents. The charter with the city exat the rear wall back from the tower. pires at the end of the present year. The frame and risers of this are also The Company are negociating with of iron with hard wood treads. The them for a new charter and term, doors leading to the various rooms which if they succeed in obtaining, from the tower are in pairs, and move about fifteen miles of additional track

The City Hall—Is situated on fore, no obstruction between any room Notre Dame street, adjoining the and the street. There are two patent Court House, on the corner of Jacques three ton elevators, having platforms Cartier Place. After several years in six feet by seven, running from the building it was completed in 1878, and counts amongst the many handsome stantiy employed during the working buildings in this city, from the designs hours. The extent of the building of Mr H. M. Perrault, architect, asmay be best understood by stating that sisted by Mr. A. C. Hutchison. It is the superficial measurement of all the built of Montreal grey stone in the floors throughout added together, is style of the modern French Renaissance, a style peculiarly adapted to this climate, from the cornices invaria-Street Railway--Is one of the bly having great projections, and thus and cars (drawn by horses) run through tage. The sloping Mansard roof of

climate. somewhere about \$450,000. It contains in the basement the Recorder's Court, with the offices belonging to that department, and also the office of the Chief of Police, guard-room, cells, &c. The ground floor is entirely occupied by the Treasurer's, Assessors' general revenue offices, and the Water gineer's offices, also the Council Cham-

this style being also very necessary in ber, a magnificent room occupying two a country so beset with snow; these entire stories in height, and running features, together with the general light nearly the whole length of the buildand elegant character of its detail, has ing. The third story is taken up with brought this kind of architecture into the carekeeper's room and other minor great popularity for the best class of offices. The main tower is occupied private dwellings, and to Mr. Perrault with the Company's Fire Alarm Batis due the credit of having first intro-tery, which connects with all the Fire duced into this country, a style of Stations, Churches and alarms in the architecture which has added so much city. This is well worth a visit to any to the beauty of our buildings, and met one interested in seeing the ingenious so thoroughly the requirements of our manner in which our fire alarm system The whole building is 220 is worked. The whole building is well feet long by 120 feet deep, and cost lighted, with the large skylight in the upper story being so arranged as to leave large spaces for light in every floor, thereby adding greatly in appearance to the really great height of the building which is about 140 feet to the top of the main tower. The interior of the building is finished throughout with extremely well designed wood department. The second floor con- work, and the heating and ventilating tains the Mayor's, Surveyor's and En- are certainly all that could be desired.

