

TUGBY'S MAMMOTH BAZAAR, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

In view of the fact that the village of Niagara Falls derives its importance mainly from the cataract whose name it bears, and its industrial position largely to the trade augmented by the visitors, it is fitting that some mention be made in this volume of the men who have identified themselves with the work of catering to the pleasure of those who come here, by furnishing articles of *bric-a-brac* to be carried away as souvenirs of pleasant days passed in this locality. Prominent amongst these is Mr. Wm. Tugby, whose well filled stores are popularly known as "Tugby's Mammoth Bazaar," and are to be found on Bridge street at the east end of Goat Island Bridge. Here Mr. Tugby has a full and complete collection of curiosities, articles representative of Indian life and manners, toys, bijouterie, fancy goods, and all similar products, such as visitors generally desire to select from in purchasing presents from Niagara Falls for friends at home. Mr. Tugby owns two stores, one of which has a frontage of 66 feet on an excellent thoroughfare, with a depth of 46 feet, and a height of 2 stories, while the other is 3 floors in altitude, with a base measurement of 30 feet square. The industrial standing of this concern is indicated by the fact that Mr. Tugby sells \$30,000 worth of goods annually, and its increase is shown by the figures of 28 years ago (when Mr. T. Tugby commenced business here) as compared with those of to-day, indicative of the value of the stock carried, which formerly stood at \$4,000, whereas they now mark \$26,000. This establishment employs 10 assistants—ladies noted for their unvarying politeness and judgment in assisting to select gifts—and commands a trade locally which derives support from all the country around. Mr. Tugby publishes the most handsome guide book ever produced at the Falls, containing full descriptive letter-press of the scenery here about as well as all the historical mention connected with these cataracts, which is sold for 50c. per copy, and which can be obtained by mail by any person who may wish to keep or present to friends a fine artistic representation of the scenery of this point on application by mail or letter to the above address. The pictures are executed in photo-aquatint, and are worth double the money intrinsically, without reference to their connection with the Falls, and as such should be in the hands of all collectors of curiosities, especially as they faithfully represent the phases of the Falls which have been characterized as one of the seven modern wonders of the world.

Mr. Thomas Tugby has resided 25 years at Niagara Falls. He was born in England in 1826, and is a native of Ashby-de-la-Zouche, in Leicester County. He has recently retired from the business which is now being carried on by his brother, Mr. Wm. Tugby (J. W. of the Frontier Lodge No. 132, F. A. M.), who has long been identified with the house.

PERRY HIRSCH, Dealer in Ready-made Clothing.

This establishment has been selected for prominent mention in its own line, it being one of the reliable houses in point of price, style and general excellence of goods. Located on the leading thoroughfare

here, and occupying the first and second floors of a substantial block within a few minutes' walk of all the hotels and points of interest, it carries an ample stock of the latest styles in the goods indicated, and all other merchandise usually found in a first-class store of this description, and should be remembered by visitors and residents alike, as the place where the most correct taste in dress as well as the means of customers can be amply satisfied. It was opened in 1878 by its present proprietor, Mr. P. Hirsch, and has achieved popularity as much by its fair dealing of its owner and the courtesy of his assistants as by its uniformly low charges and attention to the general wants of its patrons. Mr. Hirsch is a native of Buffalo, and was born in 1860, on October 6th, but has resided here 13 years, and is esteemed by the townsmen generally as a pushing man of business, giving promise of a well-deserved and continuous prosperity in his calling.

Those of our readers who may have occasion to visit his store will doubtless amply verify these conclusions, which are the result of actual business relations on the part of the writer with the firm.

WITMER BROS., Bankers and Brokers, Suspension Bridge, N. Y.

At Suspension Bridge there is only one fiduciary institution having the right to be included amongst the names of banking houses in this vicinity. This is owned by the Witmer Bros., and is located on Spring street near the post-office. Messrs. Witmer Bros. transact a general banking business, their facilities for the negotiation of all classes of commercial paper being ample, yet, as this is a private establishment, no official statements of its funds are required or given. These men do not solicit business in this department of their concerns, their known industrial standing being such as to secure them a full share of the patronage of the commercial public, while their resources for the rapid and satisfactory settlement of such monetary matters as are confided to their care have established for their house the reputation of a solid and reliable firm, with whom mercantile relations are safe and desirable. The individual members of this house are A. M. Witmer, postmaster here, John M. Witmer and Jacob M. Witmer. The former is a native of Niagara, and was born in that town on May 26, 1837. In addition to their banking interests these men have in hand several mills, stores, etc., the names and location of which are given elsewhere herein.

DANIEL OTT, Custom Tailor, Lewiston ave., Suspension Bridge, N. Y.

At Suspension Bridge, the trade in clothing holds an important position, and, as a leading concern in its line, the house of Daniel Ott is mentioned here as one having the facilities of city stores coupled with low prices. This store, which is on Lewiston avenue near the railroad track on the north side, is amply stocked with a full line of gents' furnishing goods, hats, caps, etc., and also includes a complete custom tailoring department which has been running 15 years. This

establishment is known as the "*Temple of Fashion*" and is well adapted to the business. It is 18 x 40 feet in size, and shows a handsome selection of piece-goods as well as fashionable ready-made suits as low in price as 15 dollars a suit. Mr. Daniel Ott is a native of Germany, and was born in 1840, but has resided in the United States 30 years. He is a practical cutter and tailor.

E. H. CANNON, Hardware, etc., cor. Main and Thomas sts., Nia. Falls.

Taking a prominent position amongst the stores of Niagara Falls, as one of the most completely equipped hardware houses in this locality, Mr. E. H. Cannon's establishment is mentionable as one of the most promising of the Industries of this vicinage. This house is located on Main street, corner Thomas, and is a handsome modern building 18 feet by 65. It carries a complete stock of hardware of all kinds, including nails, stoves, tinware, pumps, sinks, glass, oil, farming implements, domestic utensils, varnishes, sashes, tin and sheet iron goods, and all incidental wares usually carried by houses in this line.

Mr. Cannon has also an agency for the sale of pianos and organs and is prepared to supply them at prices, and on terms which will compare favorably with those quoted by the best known firms. Being a native of this village Mr. Cannon naturally possesses facilities for the transaction of business not enjoyed by others less known here, and gives his customers the benefit of the advantage he derives from his old-time standing. He is 37 years of age, a shrewd and reliable business man whose store is strongly recommended to the resident population of the surrounding country who may have occasion to purchase goods of this class.

NIAGARA INDEX PUBLISHING HOUSE.

The long cherished wish for a College Paper was realized in January, 1870, by the establishment of a neat little paper known as *Niagara's Tribute*. After one year's existence *Niagara's Tribute* gave place to the *Index Niagarensis*, which, on Dec. 15, 1874, in turn, gave place to the NIAGARA INDEX. The composing room which is an integral portion of the College and Seminary of Our Lady of Angels, has been thoroughly refitted, and large additions of plain and fancy type made to the stock. A new cylinder press combining all the modern improvements has been procured and is now in use. With their present facilities the proprietors are prepared to execute all kinds of job printing. Thus far the career of the college journal has been attended with flattering results. The impetus and tone imparted to the literary department of the seminary are some of its valuable effects. It is to be hoped that the patrons of the Seminary, and friends, will testify their appreciation of this medium of communication with Niagara, by forwarding their subscriptions. It would also be a source of pleasure to the writer should all the students manifest a special interest in the INDEX and extend a generous support to it by affixing their names to the list. All persons remitting subscriptions should address: *Editor NIAGARA INDEX, Seminary of Our Lady of Angels, Susp. Bridge, N. Y.*

HEARNS' HOTEL AND RESTAURANT, Falls st., Nia. Falls.

This popular hotel is located on Falls street, near the depot of the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R., and is well deserving of the attention of those who may desire to view the Falls cheaply. It will be found comfortable and homelike, and its charges, which are as low as \$1.50 per day, are as moderate as those of any reliable house here. It contains 12 sleeping-rooms, keeps a good table and bar, and is near all the principal points of interest at the Falls. Those who may decide to stop at the house will know that they are patronizing a native of this village who is fully competent to use them as well as they can possibly be treated here, Mr. M. Hearns being a life-long resident of the Village of Niagara Falls. He prepares meals at all hours, and makes special arrangements to accommodate parties of visitors or single guests by the day or week. Mr. Hearns is 33 years of age and has been 5 years in this business, during which time he has well earned the reputation of being a good manager and a favorite caterer to the class of visitors we have indicated, who will do well to give him a call.

JAMES P. TROTT, Insurance Agent, next to Post-office, Falls street.

Mr. Trott, located as above, up stairs, represents the *Ætna*, *Hanover* and several other first-class insurance companies, and has the best facilities for affording security to insurers. This is the old reliable office in its line here.

CLIFF HOUSE, Next to New Suspension Bridge, Canada Side.

The Cliff House is the nearest to the New Suspension Bridge on the Canada side, and presents many conveniences on that account. It is well furnished and has 10 sleeping-rooms, an excellent table and all modern conveniences, its tariff being as low as \$1.50 per day. Mr. Frank Le Blond, its proprietor, is a native of the Channel Islands, and was born in Jersey, in 1847. He has been a resident of this locality 12 years and is much esteemed as a man whose excellent taste in catering to the public has won him many friends amongst the resident and transient visitors of his house.

FRANKLIN HOUSE AND GERMAN HOTEL, Falls street, Niagara Falls.

Amongst the better class of houses of entertainment devoted to those visitors to whom expense is a matter of consequence, the Franklin House and German Hotel on Falls street should be mentioned as the reliable house in its line. It is in near proximity with the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. depot, being the fourth door west of that building. It has every accommodation for tourists or parties—12 sleeping-rooms, a fine billiard-room, parlor and an excellent bar well supplied with the best brands of wines, liquors and cigars, and will bear strong recommendation to those who may wish to secure good meals or day-board at reasonable rates, the charges being as low as \$1.50 per day, including room or good meals for fifty cents.

Mr. George August Franklin, the proprietor, is well posted in the hotel business, having been engaged in it 26 years. Those who patronize the house will find him always anxious to please and able to cater to the wishes of his guests. He is a native of Wurtemberg, Germany, and was born in 1835. He has resided at Niagara Falls 26 years and is regarded as one of our most esteemed citizens in his line of business.

HAMILTON'S DINING HALL, No. 17 Falls st., Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Mr. Hamilton's establishment is notable for the uniform excellence of its meals, confectionery, ice cream, etc., as well as for its promptness in filling orders, which is a great recommend to the traveling public. This dining hall is on Falls street at No. 17, and is within 3 minutes' walk of the N. Y. C. depot, and only 5 minutes' walk from the American Falls. From this it will be seen that the location is most desirable to visitors as it is in the center of all the chief points of interest and cannot be under-quoted as to prices.

J. & F. WILLIAMS, Grocers, etc., Falls st. near Third, Niagara Falls

Amongst the grocery establishments here, the house of Messrs. J. & F. Williams, on Falls street near Third, is mentionable as a well-stocked and well-kept store, carrying a selected assortment of all sorts of choice groceries and goods usually found in a first-class grocery and notion store combined.

Its stock is complete and prices as low as any, while its location makes it a desirable house at which to trade for up-town custom.

Mr. John Williams came from Buffalo and was born in 1849, but has been in business here since 1872.

Mr. Frederick Williams is a native of Niagara Falls and is 24 years of age. These gentlemen are well posted in their business and have facilities for making this an excellent establishment for farmers and others coming in from the country for supplies.

ELBE & AMBERG, Fine Clothing, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Amongst the firms whose business enterprise promises to keep them abreast of the increase in the industrial wealth of this locality, we find it incumbent upon us to notice in an individual sketch the store of Messrs. Elbe & Amberg. This establishment is situated on Falls street in the Frontier Mart Block, and is popularly known as the "Big 4" house, it being store No. 4 in the block named and having, as a distinguishing sign, a large figure of the number. This is one of the most complete stores of the kind and carries a full line of ready-made clothing, gents' furnishing goods, neck and underwear, shirts, cuffs, collars, ties, trunks and other similar goods, the entire stock being valued at \$12,000 and including all the latest styles at popular prices. Messrs. Elbe & Amberg occupy the first floor for this business, the dimensions of the store being 24 feet frontage by 65 feet in depth. They employ 2 assistants besides the personal superintendence of Mr. Amberg, his

partner devoting the greater portion of his time to his jewelry business on Main street, of which a full description will be found under the card of Mr. Henry Elbe in this volume. Mr. Amberg is a native of Heilbronn in Germany, and first saw light in 1857. He has been a resident of the United States 10 years, 3 of which have been spent at the Falls. He started the present business 1 year ago, but has already established a trade-connection which, backed as it is by a full knowledge of the business, and an apparent determination to succeed, can safely be expected to place it in a leading position amongst the Industries here at no very distant day.

S. V. SALENO, Dealer in General Hardware, etc., Falls street, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Amongst the business enterprises of a village, that of general hardware assumes the lead, hence it is fitting that the prominent concerns in this traffic should receive notice. Of the stores deserving special mention, that of Mr. Steven V. Saleno, located on the east side of Falls street, between 2d and 1st, is selected for description, it being most complete in its departments of sale and manufacture. This stand is part of the Frontier Mart and is well adapted to this class of business. It has a frontage of 20 feet and includes a depth of about 100 feet, the back of the store being devoted to a shop for making or repairing anything needed by customers of the house.

This establishment carries a general assortment of hardware of all kinds, and makes a specialty of its fine line of stoves and tinware. It is also fully equipped with an extensive supply of farming implements, paints, oils, varnishes, sashes, glass, etc., and keeps in stock the well-known Akron cement, which may be said to be invaluable to farmers and others in the country wishing to improve upon their buildings, this cement being so prepared that any person can use it for building, when shown the method of its application by the salesman. As a producing house, in the line of tinware and sheet-iron goods, the shop of this store has excellent facilities. Any persons needing goods from a store of this class would do well to assure themselves of the merits of this house before leaving orders elsewhere.

Mr. Stephen V. Saleno, proprietor, is a native of Canada, and was born at Montreal in 1833, on November 22d. He came to Niagara Falls 33 years ago as one of the business pioneers of the village. In 1864 he acted as recruiting agent, and also filled the position of captain in the N. Y. S. N. G.

COHEN & GOODMAN, Tailors, Main street, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Cohen & Goodman's establishment is located in the "Grant" Block directly opposite the International Hotel. It is a handsome store 22 x 80 feet in dimensions, the prices for suits made to order here being as low as from \$18.00 upwards. Mr. Barney L. Cohen is a native of Germany, and was born on May 24, 1856. He learned his trade in Boston and has resided in the United States since 1873.

Mr. Alfred Goodman, came also from Germany and is 2 years older than his partner. He has been a resident of the United States during the past 11 years. He practiced in Buffalo, N. Y.

They opened this store in March last, employing 6 men and 2 girls, and turning out fine work on short notice, in which respect our visitors as well as our townsmen will find it worth their while to trade with this firm.

JOHN F. QUICK, Collector Water Works Co., Lewiston avenue.

Few men have been more prominently identified with the rapid advancement of the industrial interests of this village than its present president, who has filled the presidential chair two consecutive terms before this incumbency. In 1856 Mr. Quick was one of the inspectors of customs and continued in that capacity till the blockade refusing exit to those liable to military duty was established. He entered service as Marshal, guarding this point in the employ of the railroad company, his large acquaintance with the citizens fitting him specially for that duty.

Mr. Quick is also collector for the Water Works Organization, of which a full descriptive sketch is given in another portion of this volume, and has held various other important positions at this point, notably that of stock agent and also yardmaster several years for the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. Mr. John F. Quick is a man of 67 years of age, well versed in all the details of commercial life and in every way fitted for the important political position he holds, a fact which is evinced by the universal sentiment of esteem expressed for him by the villagers generally. He is a native of Huntingdon Co., N. J., but has resided here 26 years and it is safe to assert that under no other president have the interests of the village been so satisfactorily administered since its incorporation.

MONTEAGLE HOTEL, Messrs. Krapp, Kieffer & Smith, Proprietors, Lewiston ave., Suspension Bridge.

The "Monteagle" certainly deserves to rank as the most magnificent hotel in this locality. It is located at the distance of a few minutes' walk from the Railroad Suspension Bridge and is easily accessible from all points connected with this railroad center. It has high and airy rooms, new and elegant furniture and splendid grounds worthy of the name of a park in its frontage.

This hotel has a face front of 175 feet and a rear depth of 100 feet, with elevation of 5 floors composed of stores and masonry in the Norman style of architecture. It has 100 sleeping-rooms, electric baths, an excellent bar, billiard halls, parlors and rooms *en suite* at \$3.00 per day, lower figures being attainable by special arrangement.

The mineral baths which are the special feature of the house have been analyzed by Professor Torry of New York, and the waters were found to contain the following gases and solids:

Sulphuretted hydrogen gas 3.65 cubic inches; carbonic acid gas 3.81 cubic inches; sulphate of lime 29.44 grains; sulphate magnesia 15.34;

carbonate of magnesia 6.08; carbonate of lime 2.59; chloride of sodium 10.48. This shows a water remarkably rich in natural chemistry valuable in all cutaneous diseases.

The house has also other mineral, Russian, electric and artificial baths making it one of the most enjoyable stopping places here.

O. W. CUTLER, Lewiston ave., Suspension Bridge.

Growing, as it has done from 1845 to 1882, into an important commercial and railroading center, without any *locus standi* excepting that afforded by the location of the International Bridge, it is evident that the fortunes of this village must have been carefully guarded in times past to enable it to effect the results seen to-day. Prominent amongst those who have fostered the interests of the village, Mr. O. W. Cutler is mentionable as the man who effected the inception and completion of that most necessary adjunct to the well-being of any community—the Water Supply. Acting in conjunction with several noteworthy citizens, Mr. Cutler caused a special bill to be introduced in the Legislature in 1872, to enable the village to reap the benefit derivable from a regular system of water works, and after much obstinate opposition from the railroad company, which was aggravated by the apathy of the ratepayers, the point was carried in 1876, and the necessary plant for a full supply of water established between the early spring and August 1st of that year. These works are designed on the Holly system, the pumps being located at the basin of the Hydraulic Power Co., at Niagara Falls. The Suspension Bridge Co. supplies that village with water through their mains at a charge of 30 per cent. of their gross receipts.

In Suspension Bridge $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles of pipe are used for conducting the water to consumers, and 27 double discharge hydrants are in place for the use of the fire brigades.

In order to pay for the improvement here noted this village was bonded for about \$60,000, the first payment due in 1881—\$3,000 being the annual amount payable yearly for 20 years thereafter to extinguish the debt. Although a great deal of opposition was manifested at first to the expense of the undertaking, the village has grown so rapidly and the revenue has consequently increased so fast as to show the keen foresight of its projectors.

Irrespective of his connection with this matter, Mr. Cutler has been instrumental in forwarding the achievement of many others equally as beneficial. He is a native of Newburg, New Hampshire, and was born in 1846, but has resided in this vicinage since 1867, and has taken an active part in many notable improvements here. Although his present business is in Lockport he evinces his loyalty to his former place of abode by residing here, and is one of our most esteemed citizens.

The present officers of the water works are as follows:

A. W. R. Henning, president; S. B. Eshelman, Fred Wiedemann, George Haeberle and Jacob Bingenheimer, commissioners; John F. Quick, collector.

NIAGARA FALLS REVIEW, Erie ave., Niagara Falls, Ont., W. H. Anger, Editor and Publisher. J. E. Anger, Job Department.

The "*Review*" is the only newspaper published in this vicinity on the Canada side. It is a good 48 column sheet, containing interesting and well selected editorials and items, and is the best advertising medium in this neighborhood, its circulation being 1,300 weekly. A good idea of the work turned out in this office can be obtained from the cut facing the article on Prospect Park in this volume, which was printed in the "*Review*" printing rooms. This is an independant paper, advocating no party, but using its influence to uphold the right by whatever side it may be entertained, and has had nearly 3 years of uninterrupted success since its inception in Oct., 1879, under its present publishers who were also its founders. Mr. W. H. Anger is a native of Welland Co., Canada, and was born in 1845, but has been a resident of this town 3 years.

With but a small literary field to work in, their enterprise and perseverance have produced a paper whose circulation compares favorably with that of the best here, and promises to increase largely in the near future.

NIAGARA FALLS GAS CO., Office and Works near Canal Basin, N. F.

This organization was effected on the twenty-first day of December, 1859, and the work of building the works was at once commenced, and completed on May 12, 1860. Amongst the names of the first officers of the company those of Stoughton Pettebone and James F. Trott are recorded as those of president and secretary respectively, the original capital of the company being \$20,000.

It was found necessary to increase the facilities of the company in order to meet the rapidly growing demands on its resources, and eventually this amount was nominally increased to \$75,000, although the actual stock sold did not exceed the necessary cash required which was indicated at \$63,200.

This company has at present a capacity for producing 88,000 cubic feet of gas daily, and supplies Suspension Bridge and part of Niagara Falls, Ont., the amount of gas consumed per diem averaging 25,000 cubic feet.

In 1866 a gasometer was erected at Suspension Bridge, but that village is now supplied direct from these works, the pipes extending as far as the De Veaux College, while the streets, public buildings, halls and depots in this neighborhood are efficiently lighted at an average cost of \$2.50 per thousand.

The officers of this company are as follows: S. M. N. Whitney, president; S. Pettebone, secretary and treasurer; M. Harrington, superintendent; and S. M. N. Whitney, S. Pettebone, J. S. Minton, Edwards Woodruff, Charles S. Symonds, William F. Evans, A. W. R. Henning, M. Federspeil, M. L. Fox, directors.

NIAGARA FALLS WATER WORKS CO., Office near Canal Basin, Niagara Falls.

This company derives its supply of water from the Holly pumps of the Suspension Bridge Company, for a consideration in cash of 30 per cent. of the gross receipts from consumers. These pumps have a capacity of 1,500,000 gallons per day, the average quantity pumped daily being about 500,000 gallons.

This company was organized on January 10, 1877, and commenced business under the presidency of Franklin Spalding, Mr. F. R. Delano being treasurer, and Benj. Rhodes of the Suspension Bridge Company, the first secretary. During that year three and one-half miles of pipes were laid and twenty-seven hydrants were put in place. An indication of the increase of business in this respect is shown by the number of miles of pipe and number of hydrants now in use, the former being five and one-half and the latter thirty-eight. The paid in capital of this concern was at first \$25,000, but has since been increased to \$40,000. It delivers water at an ordinary pressure of 60 pounds to the square inch, but can increase that pressure to 160 pounds on emergency or in case of fire, a fact which has done much towards reducing the rates of fire insurance in the village.

The present officers of the company are: F. Spalding, president; Benj. Rhodes, secretary; F. R. Delano, treasurer; and F. Spalding, Benj. Rhodes, F. R. Delano, S. Pettebone, W. F. Evans, Alvah Cluck and D. R. Jerauld, directors.

GLOR'S COOPERAGE, Peter Glor, Proprietor, opp. "Big" Mill, Canal Basin, Niagara Falls.

The "Big" mill of Messrs. Schoellkopf is supplied with barrels principally from the factory belonging to Mr. Peter Glor, of Buffalo, and located as above.

This factory is 40 by 100 feet in size, and gives employment to 35 men, the average weekly pay-roll amounting to \$375. It was started three years ago by Messrs. Esser & Sommer, and came into Mr. Glor's possession in 1881. This shops turns out 1,000 barrels a day and carries a stock in trade valued at \$10,000; the annual business done aggregating \$72,000.

NIAGARA HOUSE, George Stoll, Prop., Suspension Bridge, N. Y.

Situated in near proximity with the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R. depot, the "Niagara" House is well adapted to meet all the requirements of tourists, travelers and the general public. It is neat and cleanly in all its appointments, the regular rates being \$2.00 per day. This includes an excellent table and all the comforts of a home combined with the conveniences of a good hotel.

The "Niagara" has eight well-furnished sleeping-rooms, and can seat fifteen persons in its dining-room. In the parlor is a first-class piano, while the office and bar will be found to be complete in their appointments.

This is a modern two-story structure, but has ample accommodation. Mr. George Stoll, its proprietor, is a courteous and gentlemanly host, well-posted in his business and sparing no pains to secure the good-will of all who remain under his roof. He is a native of Switzerland, and was born in Schaffhausen in 1822, on August 21st, but since 1849 has permanently located here.

GEORGE HAEBERLE, Contractor and Builder, corner West Avenue and South street, Suspension Bridge, N. Y.

As the oldest established and most extensive concern in its line at Suspension Bridge, Mr. George Haeberle's workshop merits a place in this volume, as much on account of the established facilities of the concern, as for the excellence of the work performed here. This shop is a commodious frame building 22 by 42 feet in dimensions, and has, in connection, other buildings and a spacious lumber yard. It gives employment to 12 workmen whose wages average \$2.00 per day, and is located on the corner of West avenue and South street and is conveniently situated. Mr. George Haeberle is a practical carpenter and has followed his trade all his lifetime. He has resided in this vicinage about 30 years, in which time he has held several responsible political offices, and is now one of the Suspension Bridge Water Commissioners. Mr. Haeberle is a native of Würtemberg, Germany, and was born in 1832, but may be said to be one of the pioneers of progress at this point, as he took up his residence here in the early days before Suspension Bridge could even claim the distinction of being a village. He is prominently identified with the best laid plans for the advancement of the commercial interests of Suspension Bridge.

CONRAD FINK, Dealer in Groceries and Provisions, Wines, Liquors and Cigars, Lewiston Avenue, Suspension Bridge, N. Y.

Situated in the center of the business portion of Suspension Bridge, Mr. Fink's grocery is mentionable as one of the best stocked retail concerns in the village. It is located at the corner of Lewiston avenue and Niagara avenue, and is a handsome three-floor stone block having a double frontage of 38 by 70 feet. This house carries a full and well-selected stock of choice groceries and provisions, as well as a fine selection of imported and domestic wines, liquors and cigars, the saloon attached being replete with everything in its line usually found in first-class houses of this kind.

Mr. Conrad Fink is one of the village trustees and a member of several of the most popular societies here. He is a native of Germany, and was born in 1835, but has resided here since 1854, during which time he has taken an active part in the politics and general local business of the village.

HAMMON'S HOTEL, J. Hammon, Prop., Niagara Falls, Canada.

This hotel is the most reasonable in price according to the facilities it possesses of the hostelrys at Niagara Falls, Ont., and as such is worthy of the notice of all to whom comfortable quarters, without

excessive cost, are an object. The "Hammon" house has 27 well-furnished and airy bed-rooms and a seating capacity to accommodate 50 persons in its dining-hall.

We mention its level and well-kept lawn in front (having an area of 150 by 100 feet), its excellent and well-stocked bar, fine billiard tables and its public and private baths, these being specialties in which the house excels, although its prices are as low as \$1.50 per day with special rates to permanent guests. This building has a face frontage of 210 feet by a rearward depth of 100 feet and is substantially built of brick stone and slate, three floors in height and very pleasantly located on Bridge street at the top of the hill. It has all modern conveniences, including pianos, rooms *en suite*, well-furnished parlors and a good livery, and it is safe to say that any of our readers who may make this their stopping-place will take away a pleasing remembrance of good treatment at the hands of the genial host. Mr. John Hammon is English by birth, and was born in Newport, Pagnell, Bucks, in 1833, but has resided here a number of years. He is well posted in his business and generally esteemed for that.

ISAAC DAVY'S Indian Bazaar, Glass View Repository and General Variety Stores, opposite International Hotel, Main street and Prospect Park, Falls street, Niagara Falls.

As it will be naturally supposed, in a village like that of Niagara Falls, to which visitors from all parts of the habitable globe come to view the wonderful natural phenomena here located, the trade in articles of *bijouterie* and *bric-a-brac* used for *souvenirs* of pleasant hours passed here must be one of the leading industries of the locality. And, in this connection, it is but proper to mention the principal house in its line which is owned and controlled by Mr. Isaac Davy whose card heads this article.

This establishment comprises two noteworthy stores designated respectively, the Glass View Repository and the General Variety Stores, which are situated opposite the International Hotel on Main street and opposite the Prospect Park on Falls street. The transparencies of the photographer's art produced at Niagara Falls are amongst the finest scientific works of the age, and are worthy of a place in every homestead in the land, and it is safe to assert that there is no finer collection of these masterpieces of skill than that to be found in these stores. Added to this department of the concern the stock of Indian relics, curios, and other fancy goods usually found in first-class variety stores, is such as to merit the opinion that it is the most extensive to be seen at the Falls, and as such well worthy of inspection from any desiring to take away mementos of their visit. When it is taken into consideration, that the proprietor openly advertises a quotation of 25 per cent. lower than any other place at Niagara Falls, and that any purchases made in Canada are subject to from 25 to 75 per cent. *ad valorem* or *pro rata* for duties, our visitors will see the propriety of making their selections here on the score of economy irrespective of the known excellence of the goods placed on sale by this firm.

In connection with this business, Mr. Davy has a very fine livery, sale and exchange stabling establishment, from which those who may prefer to ride can select the best of outfits at prices which will compete with a reduction of from 25 to 50 per cent. below hotel prices. The selection includes carriages, hacks, buggies and competent drivers able and willing to show the beauties of the place in the least possible time and at the smallest margin of expense, and can be called for at either of the two stores mentioned.

To any who may wish to obtain any goods, such as we have mentioned in this article, whether they may reside in the United States or in foreign countries, we would say that they cannot do better than to refer to this house, and we doubt not that by remitting a fair price to cover actual cost and that of expressage, such articles as may be desired will be safely delivered.

UNION HOTEL, George Ochs, Prop., Suspension Bridge, near depot, \$2.00 per day, board at reasonable rates.

Being most favorably situated on the main street of the village of Suspension Bridge and near the railroad depot, the Union Hotel is mentionable as a most desirable house for the accommodation of visitors and the traveling public generally. It contains ten sleeping-rooms and seats fifty persons in its dining-room. Having an average daily arrival of ten guests, it compares favorably with other similar houses here and is worthy of notice as a well-kept and neatly-furnished hotel. This establishment enjoys a fine country trade with the farmers and gentry resident in the surrounding country, and has excellent barns, stables and livery attached. It is connected with all the principal business points by telephone, and has a number of modern conveniences valuable to mercantile men not generally found in houses as reasonable in price as its quoted rates. Mr. George Ochs, the proprietor, is a native of this village and is forty-seven years of age. He is a competent man in his line whose acquaintance never fails to promote esteem.

M. MOOR, Wood Carver, etc. (formerly Zybach's Store, American Side), Falls street, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

The village of Niagara Falls owes much of its importance as a business center to the advantages it enjoys as a point to which sight-seers come from all parts to view the grand scenic effects of the great Cataract.

Prominent amongst business concerns, the establishment of Mr. M. Moor should be noted as the most extensive store and factory of fine Swiss wood carvings on the American side. It is located on Falls street, six doors from the Soldiers' Monument, and is distinguished by the large numeral sign "Big 6," and will also be recognized as *Zybach's old stand*, Mr. Moor having acquired Zybach's interest by purchase during the present year.

This store has more than 1,000 varieties of ornaments in wood from which to select, and the proprietor is prepared to make to order any design submitted, whether it may be models of animals, architecture, machinery, scenery, or ornamental conceptions in design.

This store has in stock every kind and size of mounted and unmounted views of this locality, as well as the best stereoscopic views, the *unique* styles of panel views, transparencies, the 18-view album, new illustrated guide of Niagara Falls, etc.

Mr. Moor makes a specialty of his well-selected assortment of Indian curiosities, which are worthy of a place in the domiciles of the most wealthy of Niagara's visitors. This includes original models of Indian life and manners designed by Indians, and illustrative of their ideas of life which are interesting and artistically representative of the Indian surroundings of the Falls. Walking-canes, Indian pipes, fans, specimens of the rock-crystals of the Falls, purses, etc., made by Indian ingenuity, forming a portion of the stock in this line.

Mr. Michael Moor is a native of Meyringen, Switzerland, and was born in 1850, he came to the Falls in 1878, and has achieved the reputation of a steady worker, willing to undertake any reasonable amount of trouble in his line at small remuneration, in order to establish a future profitable business with our visitors and their friends.

Messrs. HILL & MURRAY, Manfs. of Wood Pulp, Water street, Niagara Falls.

During the late election for Village President, the junior member of the above firm was returned to the office. The fight was obstinate and only resulted in victory by 14 votes.

The individual members of this firm are Mr. Rowland F. Hill and Mr. Sheldon T. Murray. Their mill is a handsome stone structure located on Water street, near the Goat Island Bridge and occupies, with its yards and grounds, all the block bounded by Cascade, Rapids and Water streets. It includes in its plant the most approved modern machinery for the manufacture of wood paper pulp, and runs constantly night and day from midnight Sunday till 12 o'clock Saturday P. M. The motive power is supplied from 2 turbines having an aggregate force equal to 300 horse-power, the head of water coming from the conduit belonging to this mill made expressly for its use. Messrs. Hill and Murray also own the *Rapids House* noted herein, and lots 16, 18, 20 and the north half of 14 on Water street.

Their mill has a producing capacity of 10 tons, wet weight, in the 24 hours, and all the pulp so produced finds a ready sale, the grade here made being favorably known in all the best markets. Regarded as a representative house indicating the probable growth of the Industrial Concerns of Niagara Falls, this is one deserving of extended notice and also of a place on the correspondence list of all interested in the paper trade, for which reason this review has been inserted in this connection.

NIAGARA FALLS GAZETTE. Published at Niagara Falls, N. Y.
Peter A. Porter, Editor and Proprietor.

The "Niagara Falls Gazette" office is temporarily located on the west side of Falls street, between First and Second, and occupies the two upper floors of a brick building which faces the principal business thoroughfare. This paper was projected, and for a long time assisted, by a relative of its present owner, so that it was peculiarly appropriate that it should eventually come back into the hands of one of the same family, to be again rejuvenated and started afresh. It commenced as a weekly in 1854, and kept along, most of the time owned by Wm. Pool, up till 1881, when Mr. Pool sold out the entire establishment, newspaper, job office and good-will to its present proprietor, Peter A. Porter, who has brought into its operations all the vim and energy of a young man ardent in the pursuit of success in his avocation, and determined to achieve success by all honorable means. Since he became the owner the paper has been enlarged, its tone has been raised, its circulation increased and the whole business given a new start. The natural result is that the *Gazette* has become the best journal *par excellence* to be found in any town of the size of Niagara Falls in the U. S. and one which, in all essential respects, will compare favorably with metropolitan weeklies. One outcome of the advantageous change in its ownership is that it is already on its second season as a daily with the most satisfactory results, both to the publisher and his patrons. This is the third attempt to edit a daily paper at the Falls, neither of the other two proving successful. We hope and have reason to believe that at no distant day the weekly will be changed to a semi-weekly, and that in due time the daily will be continued the year round, and the rapidly increasing population of this and neighboring villages would seem to guarantee success to the plan.

As there can be no question that the *Gazette* is carried to all parts of the civilized world by visitors coming to view the grand spectacular scenery of the Falls, both on account of the excellent guide-notes and the full list of visitors that it contains, those who may have a desire to make their business facilities extensively known, cannot do better than to embrace the opportunity offered in its advertising columns. Its large circulation in this village, and in the splendid farming districts herabouts, makes it exceptionally good for this purpose, and purchased as is by such a large transient population, the *Gazette* reaches a greater variety of persons than any other paper, and for the owner of any speciality of any kind, for which he wishes to acquire a national advertisement, no better medium can be found than the paper of this great watering place of America.

When it is remembered that the number of excursionists who annually visit the Falls exceed 100,000, and that the regular travel amounts to probably as much more, it will readily be seen what a splendid field for general outside circulation and advertising the *Gazette* possesses.

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DAILY AND WEEKLY,
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DAILY GAZETTE

Published every morning during the months of June, July, August and September. Contains the latest news up to the hour of going to press, list of arrivals at all the hotels, also a complete guide to Niagara Falls.

WEEKLY GAZETTE

Is published every Wednesday. During the summer months it contains the best of the original articles which appear in the daily. At all times the weekly contains a full review of local events, a summary of the week's news, together with a choice selection of miscellaneous and family reading. The weekly has a large country circulation.

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Estimates Furnished on Application.

The weekly is now a 4-page, 8-column paper and is published every Wednesday. Besides the usual matter—editorial, local, miscellaneous, etc.—it contains a complete guide to the Falls, which is of material assistance to visitors.

The daily is now published every morning during the months of June, July, August and September, and is in circulation some hours before any other paper reaches the village. Its list of hotel arrivals makes it an object of especial interest to guests. It is now a 4-page, 6-column paper, and is a fine example of a watering-place daily.

The *Gazette* is the leading newspaper of Niagara county, is republican in politics and the official paper of the village. Mr. Peter A. Porter is not only the proprietor but also the editor; Mr. D. C. Collins, for many years the head of the *Gazette* establishment under the old regime, is now assistant editor, and Mr. Walter Power is the business manager.

The Job office, which is a large one, is thoroughly equipped with all appliances for doing every kind of work. Its printing facilities include 6 fine presses of various sizes, and the working force employed varying from 8 to 15 hands, according to the season. In addition to the many improvements made at the recent purchase of the office the whole establishment has been lately thoroughly overhauled and enlarged, and now contains all the latest improvements in the printers' art yet introduced, making this old established office the leading one hereabouts for prompt execution in the neatest manner of job work of all descriptions including books, pamphlets, business cards, catalogues, legal blanks, bank checks, bills of fare, circulars, ball tickets, hand-bills, bill-heads, show-cards, programmes, labels and all kinds of similar papers required in commercial or social life. A specialty is made of fine bills of fare of every description and of invitations of all sorts, while the sample book of jobs done in the office shows a remarkably fine line of work.

Mr. Peter A. Porter is a native of Niagara Falls, and was born in 1853. His grandfather, General Peter B. Porter, who led the famous sortie from Fort Erie in 1814, and who died in this village in 1844, and Col. P. A. Porter, his father, who was killed at the battle of Cold Harbor, Virginia, June 3, 1864, while leading his regiment in charging the rebel works, were honored residents of this locality.

Mr. Porter is one of the Directors of the Cataract Bank, and the largest owner of the far-famed *Goat Island* (lying near the brink of the Falls and affording the best view thereof), an isle of about 60 acres, deeded by New York State to the ancestors of the present Porter family in 1813, and fully described and illustrated in another portion of this work. During the years 1880 and 1881 he filled the position of President of this village and deserves especial mention as a reliable and pushing man of business, whose extensive and thorough knowledge of his native place has been freely afforded us in compiling this volume, and which favors are hereby duly acknowledged.