

**WELLAND, ONT.**

Building permits for month of August this year \$ 12,147.00  
 Building permits for month of August last year \$ 13,625.00  
 Total for year to end of above month is .... \$126,054.00  
 Total for corresponding period last year . . . \$314,018.00

**TORONTO, ONT.**

The contract for the supply and installation of 7,000 ft. 13,200 volt, paper-insulated, lead-covered cable has been awarded to Eugene Phillips Electrical Works, Montreal, by the Toronto Hydro-Electric System.

**CHILLIWACK, B.C.**

The sewage system of Chilliwack, B.C., has been completed. It has been under construction for the past sixteen months, the work having been handicapped by water and quicksand. Originally it was being done by contract, but it was later taken over by the city and completed under the direction of Mr. A. Hobson, city engineer.

**PETERBORO', ONT.**

Mr. R. H. Parsons, city engineer, of Peterborough, Ont., reports that 9,540 lineal feet of sidewalks have been laid to date this year at an average cost of 12¼ cents per sq. ft.

**VICTORIA, B.C.**

About 13,000 square yards of civic paving have been completed to date, and about 10,000 square yards are yet to be finished under the 1915 programme. The grading and foundation work on a large portion of it have been completed, and the civic paving plant is in operation.

**REGINA, SASK.**

With this years' construction programme completed last week, the city now has 67¾ miles of sewers laid within the city limits, including storm sewers and 73¼ miles of water mains, including the supply mains from Boggy Creek.

**NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C.**

The five-million-gallon storage reservoir built by the City of Westminister, B.C., is now practically completed, and will provide an added safeguard against shortage on the upper levels of the city for fire protection purposes. The two reservoirs will have a storage capacity of over seven million gallons.

**LONDON, ONT.**

The City of London's syphon chamber, where the city sewage is elevated on its way to the disposal plant, has been completed. The syphon is provided with a necessary valve for flow regulation and is expected to be the means of entirely eliminating a long-termed nuisance.

**QUEBEC, QUE.**

The foundation stone of the new Union Station at the Palais has been laid by His Worship Mayor Drouin, and it is expected that by the New Year the new station will be in use.

**WATERING CITY TREES.**

A very ingenious and practical device for assuring the trees on city sidewalks a sufficient supply of water, no matter how dry the season and how hard baked the earth, has recently been put in operation on the Continent of Europe. It consists of a tube of iron or lead bent into the form of a ring large enough to encircle the stem of the tree. The earth is removed so that this ring may be placed just above the roots, and is then filled in again, leaving the end of a pipe connecting with the ring projecting above the surface of the ground. The top of the ring is pierced with a large number of small holes, and a tin cover or shield presents these from becoming stopped up with earth. By means of a funnel in the protruding end of the pipe any desired amount of water may be supplied to the roots without waste or loss of time. A further advantage is the ventilation thus secured of the earth in the vicinity of the roots.

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