municipal council has granted the Jacques Cartier Water Power Co. exemption from taxation on condition that they furnish the municipality with electric light free of otherge.—The International Hydraulic Co., 40 Wall street, New York, are about to develop the water power of the Jacques Cartier river at Ste. Catherine. The hydraulic work has been placed in the hands of Messrs. Barry & Ross, and it is the intention to proceed with the work immediately. The manager is Mr. E. W. Cooke, of New York.—David Ouellet, architect, is preparing plans for a chapel for the church of St. Antoine. Same architect invites tenders up to 15th inst. for a church and presbytery for the parish of St. Hubert, county of Temiscouata.—F. M. Talbot, architect, has prepared plans for the rebuilding of the College of St. Romuald, which was destroyed by fire recently.

OTTAWA, ONT .- Permits for buildings were last week issued as follows: Wm. Lintels, brick veneered house, Somerset street, cost \$1,000; Daniel O'Connor, sr., Bank street, brick veneered house, on stone foundation, cost \$6,000; John Wright, three frame cottages, Third ave., cost \$1,800.—E. F. E. Roy, secretary Department of Public Works, invites tenders up to October 28th for the erection of a drill hall at Kingston. Plans at above department and at the office of Arthur Ellis, architect, Kingston. Tenders are also invited by same department up to 20th inst. for the construction of wharves at Upper Woods Harbor, East Ragged Island, Swim's Point and Upper Port Latour, in Shelburne county, Nova Scotia.—The Metropolitan Light Co., of which Mr. T. Lindsay is promoter, has applied for incorporation. This company were recently granted a franchise for light and power by the city.—The conlight and power by the city.—The congregation of the church of St. Albans the Martyr are negotiating for the purchase of property for a new rectory.—The Board of Governors of St. Luke's Hospital find the accommodation insufficient, and will probably take steps at an early date to remedy the trouble.-The order of nuns known as the Servants of Jesus and Mary have commenced the erection of a new convent on the Aylmer road. The stone foundation is already built, and the remainder will be of wood.

TORONTO, ONT.—It is probable that the city will extend the Yonge street wharf, in order to accommodate a greater number of vessels.—The Board of Health has asked that the City Council take early action to provide a proper system of sew-age for the city.—It is the intention of the Toronto Fence and Ornamental Iron Works Company to erect a new building at an early date, their present premises being too small.—The congregation of Christ church, Deer Park, have decided to build a vestry at the south end of the to build a vestry at the south end of the church building, to accommodate the surpliced choir.—The Metropolitan Railway Company propose to bridge across the Northern Railway at the point at which the latter crosses Yonge street, some little distance south of Aurora.—Building permits have been issued as follows: Gale Manufacturing Company four-story Gale Manufacturing Company, four-story factory on Mincing lane, cost \$8,000; trustees of St. Clement's church, roughcast church on Brooklyn ave., cost \$2,000. -The city engineer has recommended the construction of the following pavements. Brick, Orford ave., from Clara street to a point 119 feet west, cost \$460; asphalt, Classic ave., from Spadina to Huron, cost \$3,440; macadam, Dovercourt road, from Dundas street to Churchill ave., cost \$1,-860, macadam, Parhament street, Queen to Gerrard, cost \$7,810. The following concrete walks are recommended. Portion of Orford ave., Sherbourne (east side), from Wilton ave. to Gerrard street, with the exception of portions already concreted; Homewood ave, Adelaide street

east (north side), from Yonge to Freehold Company's building. The city engineer has again drawn attention to the danger-ous condition of the Humber bridge, and advises that immediate steps be taken towards erecting a new bridge. estimates for this year the sum of \$13,000 was asked for, but this was struck out. The engineer's recommendation is that the committee request Council to authorize the city treasurer to provide this sum. He repeats his recommendation for the spending of \$65,000 to construct a new bridge over the Don at Queen street, and \$6,500 extra for the removal of the present Queen street bridge to Eastern ave. locate a dumping ground in front of the Exhibition grounds, the city engineer reports the cost of the necessary cubbing work as \$19,000.—The question is being discussed of converting the Toronto Athletic Club building into a Technical School.—Ground has been broken for a new residence to be built at 56 Madison ave. Mr. A. L. Ogilvie is architect.—The City Council has decided to advertise separarely for hydraulic elevators and for elevator enclosures for the new municipal buildings.

FIRES.

Recent fires included the following: Joseph Gosselin's residence and carpenter shop at Levis, Que.; loss \$25,000.— Factory of the Montreal Spring & Axle Works, owned by V. J. Coghlan and situated at corner Stadacona and Marlborough streets, Montreal; loss \$15,000, covered by insurance.— Creamery at Cowansville, Que., owned by William Robb, jr.; loss \$3,200, insurance \$2,000.—Stroud Hotel at Innisfil, Ont., loss \$1,500.—Residence at Kouchibouguac, N. B., owned by John Wright.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

Tweed, ONT.—500 feet of fire hose: Canadian Rubber Co., Montreal, successful tenderers, at 85 per foot.

THOROLD, ONT.—The tender of the Royal Electric Company for addition to electric light plant has been recommended for acceptance.

PETROLEA, ONT. The tender of the J. E. Ellis Company, Toronto, has been accepted by the town for a tower clock, to cost about \$1,000.

LONDON, ONT.—The contract for the Normal school is reported to have been awarded to Clark Bros., of Toronto, at a price over \$50,000.

BEETON, ONT.—The tender of the Goldie & McCulloch Co., of Galt, for boiler and engine for electric light plant, has been accepted.

PETERBORO, ONT.—Steel bridge over Deer river, on boundary between townships of Belmont and Marmora. Dominion Bridge Company, \$500.

ST. JOHN, II. B.—The Council has accepted the tender of J. A. Wheaton, for excavating for the water pipe between Spruce Lake and Carlton, at 44 cents per foot.

CORNWALL, ON I.—Removal of two spans and pier of the Ottawa and New York railway bridge. Collin's Bay Towing and Wrecking Co., contractors, price, \$25,000.

HEPWORTH, ON1.—New furniture factory: H. Prast, of Hanover, contractor. Building will be 50 × 80 feet, three stories, with brick dry kiln 23 × 60 feet, and boiler and engine house 24 × 40 feet.

SARNIA, ONT. — Rebuilding Rossin House: Simpson & McDonald, mason work; Armstrong & Johnston, carpentering; John B. Watson, painting and glazing; Alex. Joss, plumbing; James Henry, plastering. M. Fawcett. architect. Lumber for G.T.R. roundhouse; F. McGibbon & Sons, contractors.

TORONTO, ONT.—Last week the tender of the city engineer was accepted for constructing an asphalt pavement on Queen street, from Bathust to Niagara, at \$15,036. The Constructing & Paving Company have since offered to do the work, and the city engineer has recommended that it be given them.

STRATFORD, ONT. Renovation of Trow block, corner Market and Albert streets. Stone and brick work, James Stamp; carpenter work and joinery, Ruston Bros.; painting and glazing, Wm. Casson; plastering, Louis Hassel; plumbing, A. Brandenberger. Plue glass and galvanized iron cornices will be used.

KINGSIGN, ONT. -\$76,106.11 of debentures have been sold by the city as follows. Oddfellows' Relief Association, Kingston, \$41,106.11 twenty and twenty-three year bonds, bearing interest at 3½ per cent, premium \$1,400; G. A. Stimson & Co., Toronto, \$35,000 elevator instalment bonds, payable in twenty years, and bearing interest at 4 per cent, premium \$1,150.

MONTREAL, QUE.—C. St. Jean, architect, has awarded contracts as follows for a house for Mr. Strubb on Rachel street: Masonry, Binda Son; carpenter work, Lambert & Son; plumbing and roofing, D. Ouimet; plastering, Decary & Son; painting, Mr. Pauzé.—W. E. Doran, architect, has let the contract for extension to store on Notre Dame and Common streets to A. Latour.

VERDUN, QUE.—Eleven tenders were received by the council for laying 2,750 ft. of 10 inch water main pipe, as follows: Perrault & Son, 50 cents per running foot; Rondeau & Major, 45c.; Jos. Champagne, 25½c.; M. Dineen, 24c.; Jas. Smith, 30c.; L. McDonald, 43c.; A. Lepage & Co., 34½c.; A. J. A. Chagnon, 36c.; G. Chavel, 41c.; Jas. Maher, 71c.; Henault & Co., 60c. The contract has been awarded to M. Dineen, at 24 cents per foot. McConnell & Marion, of Montreal, are engineers.

BRINTFORD, ONT.—Tenders for sections A, C and D were opened by the Council last week, alternate offers being received as follows: Doing the work this fall in concrete—Wm. Grant & Co., Toonto, \$31,550; McDonell & McDiarmid, Toronto, \$37,501. In masonry—Wm.

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