

The Power Committee of the City Council have instructed the City Engineer to make surveys with a view to ascertaining the amount of electric energy that can be developed at Seven Portages and at Point des Bois Falls. One of these sites will likely be purchased for a municipal power plant. — The Dominion Department of Public Works have given instructions for the immediate commencement of the proposed work for the improvement of the navigation of Last Mountain Lake, in Saskatchewan. It is understood that a dam will be constructed. — The congregation of St. Giles Presbyterian church, Selkirk ave., have in view the erection of a new edifice costing about \$30,000. — The Catholic Club, of which J. E. O'Connor is president, are considering the erection of a new club building. — The Bell Telephone Company expect to expend about \$750,000 this year in construction work in the west outside of Winnipeg. — The Grain Exchange have appointed a committee to secure all information necessary in respect to the erection of a new building.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

TORONTO, ONT.—The contract for constructing the Implement and Process building at the Exhibition grounds has been let to C. R. S. Dinnick.

MEAFORD, ONT.—D. S. Pratt and Alex. McDougall have been awarded the contract for docks in connection with the new elevator here; price about \$50,000.

AMHERST, N. S.—The contract for building a spur line of railway from the Intercolonial railway to the Amherst pier has recently been awarded to Mr. Kitchen, of Fredericton, the work to be completed by May 1st.

FREDERICTON, N. B.—The Department of Public Works have let the following contracts: Little Dipper Harbor bridge, St. John county, to R. A. Logan, of Gibson; Baltimore bridge, Queens county, to McLaggan Bros., of St. Marys.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Business block on Pender street for W. A. Hood: Dalton & Eveleigh, architects; Smith & Sherburne, contractors. Building will be three stories and basement, cost about \$40,000. — Three-storey building, corner Richards and Pender streets, for William Walsh: J. Disette, contractor; pressed brick, brown stone trimmings, cost \$25,000.

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