

HAMILTON, ONT.—Local capitalists are talking of starting a linseed oil factory in this city, with \$200,000 capital. Several other factories are also in contemplation. —The Sawyer-Massey Co. has taken out a permit for large addition to factory, cost \$15,000.—Application has been made for the incorporation of the Hoepfner Refining Co., with capital of \$600,000 and head office in this city. Hon. J. M. Gibson, John Moodie and others are interested.—Donald McPhie has been engaged to prepare specifications for rearranging the heating system of the Library.—W. P. Whitton has been granted a permit for alterations to 31 King street east, for John Billings, to cost \$1,500.—The Wentworth county council will probably raise \$20,000 by debentures.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Gault Bros., of Montreal, have purchased Bethel church property and intend erecting a large warehouse thereon. The Canadian Rubber Co. and Ames, Holden & Co. have also purchased sites for new warehouses.—Johnston & Stewart, implement agents, have commenced the erection of a \$20,000 warehouse on Main street.—The McCormack Harvesting Machinery Co. have purchased property on Main street north, and will erect a four-storey block.—Geo. Browne, architect, has been commissioned to prepare plans for a natural science building, to cost \$40,000, in connection with the University of Manitoba.—A brick block for Bullman Bros. will be commenced next month.—Rev. Father Chierri states that buildings worth \$10,000 will be erected on Austin street provided a sewer is put in.—The time for receiving tenders for engine for electric light plant has been extended to 9th inst.—The provincial government will shortly invite bids for the purchase of \$380,000 of drainage debentures.—Property adjoining the new Bank of Commerce on Main street has been purchased by the Great West Insurance Co. The building will be improved by a new stone front.

MONTREAL, QUE.—T. Pringle & Son, engineers, have prepared plans for several new buildings to be built at Kingston by The Dominion Cotton Mills Co.—The city council has adopted a resolution calling upon the Montreal Street Railway Co. to equip their cars with more efficient fenders.—It is expected that the contract for the structural steel work of the new G. T. R. offices will be let this week.—Mr. F. C. Ward-Whate has secured the Stevenson property, 500 Guy street, for his residence and private school. The premises will undergo complete renovation.—The ratepayers of the municipality of Montreal West will vote on a by-law on the 10th inst. to purchase certain sewers and street rights from Armstrong & Cook, and to adopt the precipitation tank system. It is also proposed to borrow the sum of \$60,000 on debentures.—Mr. Dore, sanitary engineer, who has just completed his annual inspection of the public schools of the city, reports that many of them are in an unsanitary condition, and recommends that they be improved immediately.—The Market Committee has decided to call for tenders for improvements to the east end cattle market, cost \$7,000, and improvements to St. Lawrence market, including two new wings and an additional storey, cost \$3,000.—The council of the municipality of St. Louis will likely take steps immediately looking to the improvement of the streets.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Edey & Milen, architects, have examined the building recently purchased for a home for friendless women, and have recommended that improvements be made thereto.—At the last meeting of the Board of Works, a list was presented of the petitions for concrete walks and asphalt pavements.—Those favorable to the establishment of a high school for the county of Carleton have made a proposition to buy the separate school in Mechanicsville and build an ad-

ditional wing and perhaps another storey.—M. C. Edey, architect, has reported that new furnaces are necessary for heating the police station.—Hon. J. I. Tarte, Minister of Public Works, states that the plans have been completed for the Maria street bridge, and that tenders will be invited in a few days.—The bill respecting the Portage du Fort and Bristol Branch Railway Company was before the Railway Committee of the Dominion government last week. This road is to run from Hull to Pembroke, skirting the Ottawa river as far as Portage du Fort and crossing at that point to the Ontario side. A. W. Fraser, of this city, is one of the interested parties.—Building permits have been granted as below: Thos. Rankin, brick veneered dwelling, Henderson ave., cost \$1,000; Hugh McNulty, rough cast dwelling, King street, cost \$800; Davidson & Thackery, brick and stone warehouse, Queen street, cost \$5,000; Mrs. Caroline Armstrong, three tenement brick veneered houses, Bessier street, cost \$2,000; J. J. Meney, brick veneered dwelling, Chapel street, cost \$5,000.

TORONTO, ONT.—R. J. Edwards & Wagner, architects, invite tenders up to Thursday of this week for erection of store and dwelling.—Tenders for building two stores and dwellings, corner St. Patrick and Esther streets, for J. O. Patterson, are invited by Henry Simpson, architect, up to Saturday, 10th inst.—Symons & Rae, architects, are taking tenders this week for the erection of a house on St. George street.—The city council have invited tenders for supplying steamer to run from the city to the sandbar, south of the Queen's wharf.—Tenders for plumbing and painting required at several schools are wanted by the Public School Board by noon of Friday, 9th inst. Plans at office of C. H. Bishop, superintendent of buildings.—The Lieutenant Governor-in-council has approved of the plans for the extension of the Isolation hospital to the south, as recommended by Dr. Bryce.—Mr. John Ross Robertson states that it is intended to build a nurses' home in connection with the Sick Children's Hospital.—Gerhard Heintzman & Co. are building an extension to their factory on Sherbourne street. It will be five stories, brick, 30 x 160 feet, equipped with electric light plant.—The promoters of the new palace hotel on King street held a meeting on Friday last and appointed an executive committee, including Geo. Gooderham, Edward Gurney, Robert Jaffray and others.—J. W. Siddall, architect, expects to complete the specifications for the St. Lawrence market improvements this week, when tenders for the work will be invited.—The city engineer estimates the cost of establishing a gas plant at the

Island at \$35,000. He has prepared a report showing the cost of constructing roadways and paving track allowances of different proposed entrances to High Park. One route includes the construction of an overhead bridge at Queen street crossing, at a cost of \$65,000.—The city has given notice of its intention to construct the following works: Brick pavement on Pearl street, Simcoe to York, cost \$4,010; macadam roadway on Adelaide street, Spadina to Bathurst, cost \$7,340, on Davenport road, from Avenue road west, cost \$3,260, and on Defoe street, McDonald Square to Shaw street, cost \$8,580; cement concrete sidewalks on James street, from Queen north, cost \$325, and on west side Bay street, King to Queen, cost \$1,815.—The city engineer has recommended the following local improvements: Asphalt—Church st., King to Queen, cost \$13,030; Crawford street, cost \$12,830; Lakeview avenue, Dundas to Churchill avenue, cost \$6,970. Brick—Sussex avenue, Spadina to Borden, cost \$9,800; Denison square, cost \$1,300; Grove avenue, Foxley to Dundas, cost \$4,460; Cameron place, cost \$1,600; St. Patrick to Denison avenue, cost \$8,100. Cedar block—Bay street, Front to Esplanade, cost \$2,260. Macadam—Spadina avenue, King to Front, cost \$8,900; Mutual street, Queen to Gerrard, cost \$6,390; Dovercourt road, Dundas to Churchill avenue, cost \$1,875. Concrete walks—Walmer road, west side, Bloor to Lowther ave., cost \$705; Adelaide street, south side, Bay to York, cost \$2,580; Wilcox street, Huron to Spadina, cost \$961; Front street, north side, from York to 579 feet west, cost \$1227. Brick—Bay street, east side, Front to Esplanade, cost \$279; Simcoe street, east side, Front to Station, cost \$2,600.—Alterations and additions will be made this season to St. Michael's College, at cost of about \$20,000. Details have not yet been decided upon.—Building permits have been granted as follows: Consumers' Gas Company, four storey brick, stone and steel purifying house, north-east corner Front and Parliament streets, cost \$25,000; Harry Webb, brick mushroom cultivating house on McMillan street, cost \$3,500; Robert Donald, two storey summer residence on Hooper avenue, Centre Island, cost \$1,000; C. A. Dimmock, two storey and attic detached brick residence, north-east corner Lowther avenue and Huron street, cost \$10,000; James Aikenhead, pair two storey brick dwellings, 63 and 65 Argyle street, cost \$3,000; W. K. George, two storey and attic brick dwelling, 76 Glen road, cost \$5,500.—It is reported that the Grand Trunk Railway Company are considering the erection of several hotels in the Muskoka district.

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