

CONTRACTS OPEN.

MILTON, ONT.—The old Knox church is to be converted into a drill shed and armory.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Several new cottages are to be built this winter at Thousand Island Park.

NAPANEE, ONT.—A new residence is to be erected for the caretaker of the jail, at a cost of \$1,600.

CARLTON PLACE, ONT.—The Church of England congregation will erect a \$2,000 rectory next spring.

PRINCE ALBERT, N. W. T.—Tenders are invited for the erection of a new town hall. The building is to cost \$10,000.

STAMFORD, QUE.—At a joint meeting of the Council and High School Board, it was decided to put the school in better condition.

STRATFORD, ONT.—Alex. Hepburn, architect, is calling for tenders for the erection of a brick church. Tenders received until 8th January, 1892.

PORT COLBORNE, ONT.—A glass company is being organized with a capital stock of \$100,000. Buildings and furnaces are to be erected at a cost of \$12,000.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The City Council have decided upon the construction of sewers on Jubilee road and Louisburg street, at an estimated cost of \$12,000.

KINGSVILLE, ONT.—Plans are being prepared by Mr. Maycock for a residence for Mr. Curtis Green. Work will be commenced in the spring. Cost \$3,000.

MARKHAM, ONT.—The High School Board have decided on building a new school. The plans are being prepared by Mr. Whitehead, architect, Toronto.

MONCTON, N. B.—On Saturday last a gale blew down three spans of a bridge connecting Albert and Westmoreland Counties. The bridge cost \$6,000 and is 1,660 feet long.

PORT ARTHUR, ONT.—The Belgian Bank recently purchased the Antihokan iron range. During the coming year they will build a railway through the district, and construct rolling mills and furnaces.

OWEN SOUND, ONT.—The Hurd-Brandon Mfg. Co. have written the council asking what inducements they will offer them to establish a factory in the town. The company would erect a building to cost \$20,000.

RIGAND, QUE.—J. N. Lifebore, Sec. Treas., will receive tenders until 8 p.m. of the 22nd day of December for the construction of a gravity system of water works. Plans at office of J. Emile Vanter, 107 St. James St., Montreal.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Mr. Garden, C.P.R. engineer, has recently been engaged in making survey and preparing estimates for the erection of new steel bridges to take the place of the temporary ones now in use between Donald and Golden, B. C.

BROCKVILLE, ONT.—On the 4th of January the ratepayers will vote on a by-law to grant a bonus of \$50,000 to the Brockville Carriage Co. for the establishment of works in this town. The agreement states that the company shall erect a substantial brick store building to cost not less than \$30,000.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Messrs. Robertson & Hackett, builders and contractors, have purchased the two lots adjoining their sash and door factory on Seymour St., and intend to erect new buildings thereon. Tenders are now being called for the excavation of the addition to the Vancouver hotel. Building will commence in the spring.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Building permits have been granted as follows: E. Lindner, six 2-story bk. dwellings, Wilson St., between Cathcart and Wellington Sts., cost \$0,000; Wm. Peebles, 2-story bk. dwelling, Cannon St., between Emerald and Tisdale Sts., cost \$1,100; H. Griffin, four 2-story bk. dwellings, Tiffany St., between Barton and Stuart Sts., cost \$2,000.

ST. JOHN, N.B.—Tenders will be received by the Department of Public Works until Monday, the 11th day of January, 1892, for all work in connection with the proposed extension of South Rodney wharf, including dredging and building of wharf and warehouses. Plans at office of Hurd Peters, C. E.—The bolt and nut works company have decided to rebuild their works at once.

SHERBROOKE, QUE.—Mr. Wm. Griffith, Sec. Treas., will receive tenders until the 29th inst. for the supply of the following quantities of lumber: 29,000 ft. 2 in. spruce plank, 4 ft. long, B. M.; 28,700 ft. 2 in. spruce plank, 5 ft. long; 10,000 ft. 2 in. spruce plank, 6 ft. long; 5,000 ft. 2 in. spruce plank, 15 ft. long; 5,000 ft. 2 in. spruce plank, 16 ft. long; 21,000 ft. 3 in. spruce plank, 25 ft. long; 9,000 ft. 3 in. hemlock plank 15 ft. long; 27,000 ft. 5 x 5 hemlock joists not less than 12 ft. long.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The time for the reception of tenders for the erection of a post office at Petrolia has been extended until Tuesday, 29th inst.—The Government has appropriated the sum of \$25,000 for the establishment of a fish hatchery in the vicinity of Clayton, Ont.—The ratepayers will vote on a by-law on the 4th of January to grant the sum of \$25,000 for the following purposes: Rebuilding a bridge across the Rideau river near the site of Cummings' bridge, \$15,000; improvements on Wellington street, at Pooley's bridge, \$8,000; improvements on Sparks street, at Christ church, \$2,000.—A company will apply for incorporation at the next session of Parliament to build a railway from Carp to Sharbot Lake, passing through Almonte and Lanark. The distance is about 50 miles.—Drains are to be constructed on Victoria avenue, Queen and Albert streets.—The Railways and Canals Department will shortly call for tenders for the construction of the first three sections of the new Soulanges canal.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Plans are now ready for the opening of Rouville street, from Darling to St. Germain streets. The street is to be sixty feet wide.—The council are considering the widening of Guy street, between Dorchester and Notre Dame streets.—Mr. W. Hardie, has granted a piece of land to the Montreal Presbytery on which to erect a new Presbyterian church for Montreal South and Longueuil.—The Harbor Commissioners will receive tenders until the 5th day of January for supplying the following plant: two light locomotives, either for steam or electricity; fifty small car trucks; light rails for two and one-half miles of track; machinery for one pile driver. They will also receive tenders until the 29th inst. for the supply of 250,000 feet B. M. of hemlock plank.—Building permits have been granted as follows: John E. Chaffersone, 3-story bk. and stone dwelling, St. Catherine st., G. Simard architect; mason, M. Glarneau; Allard & Co., carpenters; cost \$4,000; Frs. Deslonchamps, 3-story bk. and stone dwelling, Amherst st., cost \$1,300; John Hays, 2-story bk. and stone dwelling, Bourgeois st., John Galloway, builder; A. Adeline, three 2-story bk. and stone dwellings, corner St. Catherine and Charvoix sts., J. H. Bernard, architect; cost \$5,400; M. B. Odell, 2-story bk. and stone dwelling, Coleraine st., cost \$2,000; G. H. Robinson, two 2-story bk. and stone dwellings, Crescent st., cost \$14,000. The C. P. R. will expend \$360,000 in improving the line between Montreal and Quebec in the direction of increased station accommodation, sidings, and the substitution of iron for wooden bridges, and to build grain elevators at Quebec and Three Rivers.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Markets and License Committee will ask the city council for an appropriation of \$1,500 for leveling the additional property of the western cattle market. A sewer will also be constructed to drain the land.—Wm. Roaf, Hon. Secretary Collegiate Institute Board, will receive tenders until noon of Monday, 21st inst., for the supply of blinds for their new building on Harbor street.—The City Engineer has recommended the construction of the following works: The extension of the Parliament street

sewer 312 feet into the bay, at an approximate cost of \$4,000; the construction of a 12-foot cement concrete sidewalk on the east side of Bay street, from King to Wellington street, and from King street to Adelaide street, cost \$3,570; the construction of a 30-foot square tannery pavement, on a concrete foundation, with stone kerbing, on Roxborough avenue, from Yonge street to a point 1,339 feet westerly, at a cost of \$15,000.—Prof. Loudon has asked the Water Works Committee that a better supply of water be provided at Toronto University by the construction of a 12-inch main from Bloor street down Avenue road to the Parliament Buildings, at a cost of \$2,000.—Mr. W. Clyma, 4 Wallace avenue, wants tenders for brickwork addition to factory and concrete cellar on Sherbourne street.—Hon. C. H. Tupper, accompanied by Col. Anderson, chief engineer of the Department of Marine, recently inspected the site offered by the university authorities on Hoskin avenue for the removal of the observatory.—Building permits have been granted as follows: Chas. Plant, one pr. s. d. 2-story and attic bk. dwellings, south side Langley Ave., cost \$3,600; Josiah Blackwell, three det. 2-story and attic bk. dwellings, south side Walker Ave., cost \$1,500; Geo. Marshall, one pr. s. d. 2-story bk. dwellings, west side Manning Ave., cost \$2,000; Geo. A. Cox, alterations to building north-west corner King and Victoria Sts., also two 1-story bk. offices on Victoria St., cost \$1,600; Wm. Belshaw, five 2-story bk. front dwellings, south side Wilton Ave., east of Sackville St., also twelve houses in rear, cost \$19,500.—E. Sexton is excavating for eight stores with dwellings on the corner of College St. and Brunswick Ave., cost \$40,000, also for four cut stone front pressed-brick dwellings, north of College on Brunswick Ave., cost \$20,000. Contract not yet awarded.—Wm. Mitchell is excavating for one detached and one pair semi-detached dwellings on north-west cor. Euclid Ave. and Lennox St., cost \$4,000 each. Contract not let.

FIRES.

The following buildings were destroyed by fire at Moose Jaw, N.W.T., on the 12th inst.: T. B. Baker, Foley block; Mrs. McFall millinery; Jackman & McVannet, hotel; Felix Plants, general store; W. McBride, boots and shoes; J. McCauley, jeweller; Mr. Tilden, residence and bakery; W. W. Bole, drugs and stationary; W. Doran, harness and saddlery; T. E. Williams, Queen's hotel; P. Catter, barber; James Hood, boots and shoes; G. M. Annable, storeroom, O. Fields, billiard room.—The Calgary, Edmon, ton railway storehouse at Calgary, N.W.T., was burned on the 12th inst. Loss \$5,000.—The Neelie hotel at West Fort William, Ont., was destroyed by fire on the 13th inst. It was owned by the C. P. R. Co.—The Michigan Central railroad depot at Petrolia, Ont., was burned on the 16th inst.—The Kingston Gas Co.'s works at Kingston, Ont., were damaged to the extent of \$9,000 on the 16th inst.—A row of houses erected a short time ago at the mouth of the Humber river near Toronto were destroyed by fire on Wednesday last. The buildings were owned by Mr. West. Loss \$10,000.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

OAKVILLE, ONT.—The Ball Electric Light Co. have the contract for the plant here.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Wm. Metson has been awarded the contract for improvements to the Court House.

GUELPH, ONT.—The Silica Barytic Stone Co. have the contract to construct floors in Huether's brewery, Waterloo.

QUEBEC, QUE.—The C. P. R. have awarded the contract to Messrs. Peters & Sons for the erection of their proposed hotel.

STRATFORD, ONT.—Mr. W. J. Morrison, of the Fort Wayne Electric Company, has the contract to put in an incandescent plant for the Stratford company.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Messrs. Henry & Smith are the successful tenderers for the deepening of the