

# Contracts Department

News of Special Interest to Contractors, Engineers, Manufacturers and Dealers in Building Supplies.

## CONTRACTS OPEN.

### Brandon, Man.

The city council have selected a site at Princess avenue and Thirteenth street for the proposed court house and have put through a by-law to borrow \$125,000 from the Imperial Bank in this connection.

At a meeting of the board of works held last week the matter of paving Main street was further discussed and it was decided to order the construction of the work as soon as possible.

Plans are to be prepared for underground public lavatories corner of Portage and Main, and corner of Higgins and Main.

### Brantford, Ont.

The Hamilton Radial Electric Railway Company have applied for permission from the Government to build and operate a line from this city to a point on the Detroit river at or near Windsor.

It is understood that a new theatre will be erected to replace the opera house recently destroyed by fire and that a business block will be put up on the site of the disaster.

### Calgary, Alta.

The Independent Meat and Packing Company have selected property east of the Calgary Brewing and Malting Company's building for the location of their new plant.

### Chilliwack, B.C.

Drainage schemes are to be carried out in this town at a cost of \$17,000.

### Durham, Ont.

The by-law to issue \$4,000 5 per cent. 20-year debentures to build a bridge across the Saugeen river has been carried.

### Economy, N.S.

It is understood that the Nova Scotia Lumber Company are about to commence operations on the Miller property.

### Edmonton, Alta.

Permits have been taken out by the city for a \$12,000 incinerator and for the Kirkness school, to cost \$13,000. Other permits include: James Mathews, store, Christabelle street, \$1,600, and A. C. York, addition to dwelling, Sixth avenue, \$2,400.

### Estevan, Sask.

William Evenden is contemplating the erection of a large business block on Fourth street.

### Fort William, Ont.

The ratepayers have ratified the by-law to guarantee the bonds of the Fort William Car Company and to grant a sum of \$50,000 for the acquisition of a site.

### Fredricton, N.B.

C. H. LaBillois, Chief Commissioner, Department of Public Works, invites tenders as follows: up to January 27th for building the Waterboro low water wharf, specifications of which may be seen at residence of T. A. Farris, Waterboro, N. B.; up to Feb., 24th for the construction of two metal superstructure spans over the Black river, Wellington, N.B., and for two metal superstructure spans over the Madawaska river, St. Jacques, N.B. Specifications of the four last named works may be seen at the office of the Department in this city.

### Goderich, Ont.

W. L. Horton, manager of the Goderich Elevator and Transit Company, states that he has plans for an addition to the elevator in this town. The directors favor the extension, but are not likely to put construction in hand during the present stringency.

### Halifax, N.S.

It is the general opinion that another railway is badly needed in the Eastern portion of the province and a joint conference of the city, town and county councils have arranged to meet in Sydney with a view to the furtherance of the project. Government assistance will be sought.

### High River, Alta.

A cement industry is about to be established here on the farm of J. D. O'Neal.

### Kincardine, Ont.

The surveys for the West Shore Electric Railway will be commenced shortly from this town. Construction is expected to start in May.

### Kingston, Ont.

The street improvement by-law to raise \$12,000 has been passed.

### Lachine, Que.

The Catholic church here will be re-

built and enlarged to seat 4,000 people; estimated cost \$80,000.

### Lethbridge, Alta.

A new three story block is to be built on Round street early in the spring by G. A. Seaman.

In an address to the local liberal association, delivered last week, Hon. W. H. Cushing announced that work on the new jail and court house would be started shortly. The Minister stated that the jail building was but the first item in a plan for placing jails in every judicial district of the province.

### London, Ont.

It is understood that the Hobbs Hardware Company will erect a new warehouse and plant.

### Louisberg, N.S.

The Cape Breton Railway Company will shortly enter upon the construction of an extension of their line from St. Peters to this place, a distance of thirty-one miles.

### MacLeod, Alta.

Tenders are invited by the Supply Officer, R. N. W. Mounted Police, Regina, up to January 24th for cast iron water pipes and other material required in the installation of a water works system at the barracks in this town.

### Matsqui, B.C.

Following the report of engineers F. C. Gamble, of Victoria, and R. Keefer, of Ottawa, an auxiliary dyke will be constructed on the Fraser river at this point by the Government at a cost of some \$10,000.

### Moncton, N.B.

At the coming session of the legislature application will be made by this city for permission to construct and operate a street railway in Moncton and Shediac; also for authority to issue bonds to \$35,000 to the amount of for the proposed bonus to the Higgins shoe factory.

### Montreal, Que.

General Manager Morse has given definite assurance that the Grand Trunk Pacific will construct a branch line into this city at no very distant date.

### North Bay, Ont.

Hon. Frank Cochrane, Minister of