#### FIRES.

The following buildings have been destroyed by fire Irwin's store, post-office and dwelling, and Mrs. Forbe's residence at Chelmstord, Ont.—Thorn-bury's Woollen Mills at Thornbury, Ont.; insurance \$5,000.—Saw mill owned by H. Marsh at Maple, Ont.; loss \$1,000. It is improbable that the building will be rebuilt. Brick shop and residence of Richard Copeland at Mechanicsville, Ont.; loss \$1,500.—The Mackague block at Wellandport, Ont., owned by Win. Summerfeldt, totally destroyed, insurance, \$1,000.

#### CONTRACTS AWARDED.

CHATHAM, N. B.—\$10,000 of debentures: George A. Schofield, of St. John, purchaser.

MOOSE JAW, N.W.T. - C.P.R. station: James McDiarmid, of Winnipeg, contractor, cost \$30,000.

MONCION, N. B.— New Merchant's Bank of Hahlax: I'aut Lea, of Moncion, and Joseph Reid, of Dorchester, contractors.

MALDEN, ONE Resolutor for Frederick Pigeon, frame, two storeys: James Campeau, of Amberstburg, contractor, cost \$1,600.

BROCKVILLE, ONL. — George Ross, this town, has contract for plumbing in residence for manager of Union Bank, Smith's Falls.

St. Thomas, Ont. James Finney, this city, has been awarded the contract for building a bridge over the Otter creek between Elgin and Oxford.

GUELPH, ON1.—Building 30 x 30 feet for C. Kloepfer, M. P. D. Kelehar, stone work; H. Seriven, painting; Kerr Bros., tinsmithing; Mr. Beckman, carpenter work; cost \$3,000.

MILTON, ONT.—Charles Hughes, Milton freestone quarries, has been awarded the contract for four stone abutments for two bridges for Trafalgar township, one at Drumquin and one at Wilmott's second line.

TORONTO, ON1. W. Mashinter & Co. have contract for plumbing of two houses on Murray street for A. W. Allan, and for hot water heating of residence on Ossington avenue for J. C. McLachlan.

S1. John, N. B. Baker, for Shaw Bros. (H. H. Mott, architect): R. Maxwell, general contractor. Sub-contractors: J. Drury, carpenter work; Stanton Bros., stone cutting; James Pullen, painting; J. E. Wilson, galvanized ironwork.

OTTAWA, ON1. Improvements to St. Patrick's church. Joseph Bourque, of Hull, contractor for the two wings, spire, mason and carpenter's work and painting, price \$25,700; P. J. Conolly & Son, for heating, price \$2,000. \$200,000 of debentures: Bank of Ottawa, purchaser.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Building for the Winnipeg Lodging & Coffee House Association: Spencer Bros., contractors. The sub-contractors are: Carpenter work, Andrews & Robinson, plumbing, Plaston Bros., painting, Mr. Anley; roofing, heating and metal work, Douglas & Co.

Windson, N. S. - W. C. Harris, architect, has awarded contracts for the following work: R. C. church and presbytery, this town, to be constructed of sandstone, with metallic roofing, heating and interior finishings of which has not yet been arranged for; residence in wood, heated by hot water, for Walter Lawson; interior completion of St. James Presbyterian church, Charlottetown, P. E. L., H. & S. Lowe, contractors; new Anghean church, in wood, at Million, F. E. L., Pragas Carlotte have had Silnester, P. E. E.; additions to Roman Catholic church at Fort Augustus, P. E. L.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The following are the accepted tenders for a villa residence for Rev. James Green, Westmount: Masonry and brick work, John Hague; wood work, Dan. Green; roofing, Campbell A Gilday; plastering, Krook & Goodner; painting and glazing, C. O Brein, planting and basing. We May. James Smith, architect.—J. B. Resther

& Sons, architects, have accepted the following tenders for house, 6 tenements and store, on Wellington street for Mrs. L. H. Belanger: Masonry, Alph. Charette; brick work, Jos. Beland; wood work, Chapleau & Lebroeuf; roofing and plumbing, Lessard & Harris; plastering, Jos. Fabien; painting and glazing, T. Lenoir.

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QUERIC, QUE.—Asphalt paving: Sicilian Asphalt Company, of Montreal, successful tenderers, \$2.30 per square yard.—Paving hills in granite blocks, Ignace Bilodeau.—The contract for the new building for the Quebec Exposition Company has been awarded to P. A. Lahonde. This building will be 575 x 100 ft., with 5 towers. The board of directors has decided to build immediately the pavilion for the administration, 40 x 40 ft., with towers, domes, verandahs, etc.—Labelle & Payette have been awarded the contract for the pulling down of the old buildings on the property of Hon. Justice Chauseau, and rebuilding the masonry and wood work, Vandry & Matte getting the plumbing and roofing.—Emile Cote has the contract for a \$2,000 residence at Sallery for Mr. Evans.—Contracts have been

given as below for alterations to bank Hochelaga: Wood work, De Farennes; plastering, Emile Cote; plumbing and heating, Vaudry & Matte; painting and decorating, Jos. Gauthier & Frere; furniture, Can. Office & School Furniture Co., of Preston, Ont.

#### ARCHITECTURAL COMPETITION.

An invitation has been issued to architects and engineers to enter a competition, proposed by the Royal Administration of the Swedish State Railways, for designs for a railway station, junctions, etc., for the city of Stockholm. The first prize is equal to about \$3,250, second \$2,150 and third \$1,074. Plans must be submitted by August 31st, 1898. Particulars will be furnished by the Swedish Norwegian Legation, 2011 Q street Washington, D. C., or by the vice-council of Sweden and Norway, Mr. August Peterson, corner F. and Eighth street Washington.

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