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ADVERTISING RATES ON APPLICATION.

At its Convention held in Toronto, Nov. 20 and 21, 1889, the Ontario Association of Architects signified its approval of the CANADIAN CONTRACT RECORD, and pledged its members to use this journal as their medium of communication with contractors with respect to advertisements for Tenders.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted at the First Annual Meeting of the Province of Quebec Association of Architects, held in Montreal, Oct. 10th and 11th, 1890: "Moved by M. Perrault, seconded by A. F. Dunlop, that we the Architects of the Province of Quebec now assembled in Convention being satisfied that the CANADIAN CONTRACT RECORD affords us a direct communication with the Contractors, Resolved, that we pledge our support to it by using its columns when calling for Tenders."

The publisher of the "Canadian Contract Record" desires to ensure the regular and prompt delivery of this Journal to every subscriber, and requests that any cause of complaint in this particular be reported at once to the office of publication. Subscribers who may change their address should also give prompt notice of same, and in doing so, should give both old and new address.

## TENDERS

Will be received by the undersigned up to 5 o'clock on MONDAY, JANUARY 2ND, 1891, for the Steam Heating and Plumbing required in a Warehouse. Plans will be ready on Thursday, December 25th.

DARLING & CURRY,

Mail Building.

## TENDERS

Will be received by the undersigned up to 5 o'clock on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27TH for the various trades required in the erection of a

BRICK FACTORY AT MIMICO.

DARLING & CURRY,

Mail Building.

## TENDERS WANTED.

Sealed Tenders, addressed to the undersigned and marked "Tender for Water Works," will be received until 5 on

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26TH INST.,

for the following works required in the construction of a system of Water Works in the Town of Walkerton:

1. Boiler.
2. Pumping Machinery.
3. Trenching and Pipe Laying.
4. Cast Iron Pipes and Specials.
5. Valves, Valve Boxes and Hydrants.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the office of John M. Moore, C.E., London, or at the office of the Town Clerk, Walkerton.

A deposit in the form of a marked cheque, payable to the order of the Town Treasurer, as set forth in specifications, must accompany each and every tender, otherwise it will not be entertained. The tenders may be for the whole or any one or more of the above sections.

The Corporation does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

(Signed) GEORGE GOULD,  
Town Clerk, Walkerton.

Walkerton, Dec. 5, 1890.



## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

### SEWER PIPE.

Tenders will be received by registered post, addressed to the City Engineer, Toronto, up till noon on TUESDAY, 23RD DECEMBER, 1890, for supply of Pipe for the year ending 31st December, 1891.

Approximate quantity of Pipe required—6-in. pipe, 35,000 feet; 6-in. bends, 200; 9-in. pipe, 5,000 ft.; 9-in. bends, 100; 12-in. pipe, 12,000 feet; 12 x 6-in. junctions, 800; 12 x 9-in. junctions, 200; 15-in. pipe, 3,000 feet; 15 x 6-in. junctions, 200; 15 x 9-in. junctions, 100; 18-in. pipe, 500 feet; 18 x 6-in. junctions, 20; 18 x 9-in. junctions, 40; 1-ft. 2-in. x 1-ft. 9-in. tile invert, 2,000 feet; 2-ft. x 3-ft. tile invert, 3,000 feet; 6-in. stoppers, 800; 9-in. stoppers, 200.

Specifications and forms of tender can be obtained on and after the 1st of December at the City Engineer's office.

A deposit in the form of a marked cheque, payable to the order of the City Treasurer, for the sum of 2½ per cent. on the value of the work tendered for, must accompany each and every tender, otherwise it will not be entertained. All tenders must bear the bona fide signatures of the contractor and his sureties (see specifications), or they will be ruled out as informal.

The Committee do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

JOHN SHAW,

Chairman Committee on Works.  
Committee Room, Toronto, Nov. 26th, 1890.

## TENDERS

Will be received at the office of E. B. Jarvis, Architect, Traders' Bank Chambers, from the 23rd inst. to Tuesday, the 30th inst., for the erection of a block of buildings on Sherbourne street and the Esplanade.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

E. B. JARVIS, Architect.

## Notice to Contractors.

### SEALED TENDERS

Will be received up to 6 o'clock p.m. on the 8th of January, 1891, for constructing and laying a

### 24-inch Rivetted Steel Suction Pipe in Kingston (Ont.) Harbor.

Tenders to be addressed to the Chairman of the Committee on Water Works, Kingston, Ont., and endorsed "Tender for Suction Pipe."

A copy of the specifications and full particulars can be obtained on application to the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

T. O. BOLGER,

City Engineer.

Kingston, Ont., December 17th, 1890.

### EBONIZING.

One of the English furniture gazettes gives the following account of the French process of ebonizing:

One of the most ingenious as well as serviceable methods practiced by French artisans in wood is that by which is produced a complete resemblance to the color, beauty and density of ebony by the skillful use of charcoal upon the surface. None but carefully selected woods of close and compact grain are employed for this purpose, and these are covered in the first place with a coat of camphor dissolved in water, and almost immediately after with another coat composed chiefly of sulphate of iron and nutgall. The two combinations in blending penetrate the wood and give it an indelible tinge, and at the same time render it impervious to the attacks of insects. On these two coats becoming sufficiently dry, the surface of the wood is rubbed at first with a very hard brush of couch grass and then with charcoal of substances as light and friable as possible, the fact being that if a single hard grain remains in the charcoal it will scratch the surface, which should be perfectly smooth. The flat parts are rubbed with natural stick charcoal, the indented portions and crevices with charcoal powder, and, alternately with the application of charcoal, the article operated upon is rubbed with a flannel soaked in linseed oil and turpentine. These pouncings, repeated several times, cause the charcoal powder and the oil to penetrate the wood, insuring a beautiful color and a perfect polish.