

cours, Notre Dame, St. James, \$288,410; two bridges, one on St. Catherine over the C.P.R. tracks, the other at the Place Viger station, \$2,500; sidewalks (planks), \$65,322; crossings, \$10,000; macadam, \$30,000; gullies and traps, \$8,000; relieving sewers to prevent flooding of property, \$377,200; and pumping plant on Craig street, \$50,000.—The Market Committee have asked the Finance Committee for a grant of \$41,000 for repairs to the eastern cattle market.—F. W. St. George, city surveyor, has submitted a report to the council pointing out the necessity of increasing the pumping plant at Craig street. He estimates the cost of the necessary additions at \$50,000.

TORONTO, ONT.—A number of residences will be built in York county this year. Among those who propose building are John Johnston, 8th con. Vaughan; Jonathan Kersey, 9th con. Vaughan, and James Johnston, Coleraine.—At a meeting of the Separate School Board, held last week, the recommendation of the management committee that an eight-roomed school be erected in St. Michael's parish, was referred to the finance committee.—The Public School Board will recommend that six rooms be provided to relieve the overcrowding at Morse street, Bolton avenue and Hamilton street schools, and that two rooms be added to Dovercourt and Perth avenue schools.—The Toronto Railway Company have been collecting data as to the probable receipts from radial railways. Routes have been surveyed to Highland Creek, east to Oshawa, and west to Etobicoke. The question of carrying out these extensions will be considered at an early meeting of the Board of Directors.—E. J. Lennox, architect, has submitted to the city council the following statement as to the cost of the portable furniture required for the new municipal buildings: City engineer's office, \$1,275; street commissioner's, \$245; medical health officer, \$862; park commissioner, \$229; city treasurer, \$1,150; auditors, \$156; city commissioner, \$143; city clerk, \$511; city solicitor, \$906; assessment commissioner, \$816; four court rooms, \$10,100; judges' rooms, \$712; jury rooms, \$576; witness rooms, \$230; three committee rooms, \$646; waiting room, \$130; aldermen's room, \$650; reporters, \$223; mayor's rooms, \$800; total, \$21,360. The extra fire protection by sprinklers, as suggested by the underwriters, would cost \$10,500, and the connection of the ventilating flues, which now end in the attics, \$1,500.—The city engineer has again emphasized the necessity of building a new bridge over the Humber river. He recommends that the treasurer report funds to the extent of \$13,000 in advance of the estimates to carry out the work. In his report presented to the Board of Works last week, the city engineer recommends the construction of the following works: 12-foot concrete sidewalk on south side Queen street, from Tecumseth street to a point 100 feet west of Niagara street; concrete sidewalks on east side of Yonge street, from Front to Esplanade; on east side of Church street, from King to Front; on east side of Jarvis street, from King to Fred Victor Mission; brick sidewalk on west side of Jarvis street, from King to a point 24 feet south of Adelaide street; concrete on north side of Queen street, from Vanauley street easterly 143 feet; concrete on east side St. George street, from College street to Hoskin avenue; concrete on west side Church street, from Queen to Shuter. An 18-foot macadam roadway is recommended on Spruce street, from Sumach to River, and a brick pavement on Sarkville street, from Winchester to Wellesley, to cost \$4,616.—Building permits have been granted as follows:—M. Skilow, pair of brick dwellings, west side Howland avenue, cost \$4,000; Mrs. Monaghan, two storey and attic brick dwelling, north side Amelia street, near Parliament, cost \$4,600; Park, Blackwell & Co., ex-

tension to packing house, foot of Bathurst street, cost \$1,200; W. Donohue, 33 Robert street, dwelling and shop in rear of 33 Robert street, cost \$1,000. The Property Committee has endorsed a recommendation of the sub-committee to utilize Stanley Park for the enlargement of the cattle market. It is proposed to expend \$49,000 in the erection of buildings on Stanley Park and to raise and grade the lower part of the main market.—The Ontario estimates were presented to the House last week. The votes for public works are as follows:—Gull and Burnt River works, \$6,458; Lake of the Woods, \$2,000; Star Lake, \$200; to remove obstructions from navigable streams, \$750; maintenance locks, dams, etc., at Bala and Port Carling, \$9,943; Otonabee River, \$295; Talbot River, \$600; bridge across Madawaska River at Brunstown, \$1,500; Payne River, improvement of bed of stream \$4,000; improvement of bed of Maitland River in Elma and adjoining township, \$4,000; dredging Cunard River, \$5,000.—For public buildings the following sums are asked: Asylums at Toronto, \$535; Mimico, \$2,580; London, \$7,170; Hamilton, \$3,350; Kingston, \$4,300; Brockville, \$6,805; Idriats, Orillia, \$2,800; Central Prison, \$5,300; Reformatory at Penetanguishene, \$700; do., Females, Toronto, \$3,050; Deaf and Dumb Institute, Belleville, \$1,450; Blind, Brantford, \$1,525; Agricultural College, Guelph, \$4,110; Education Department, Toronto, \$2,000; Normal School, Ottawa, \$500; Normal School, London, \$1,600; School of Practical Science, Toronto, \$4,235; Osbourne Hall, \$600; New Parliament Buildings, \$2,400.—The Dominton Paving Co., who made an error in their tender for paving Russell street, will be asked to proceed with the contract. Should they refuse, fresh tenders for the work will be called for.—In this issue Mr. Geo. W. Gouinlock, architect, invites tenders for the erection of a large office building in Winnipeg, for the Manitoba Trusts Co.—A number of Toronto gentlemen, including Senator Cox, W. H. Brouse, J. W. Flavell, and others, want permission from the Ontario Legislature to build a railway from Haliburton to Mattawa. E. B. Douglas, and others, of Philadelphia, want a charter for a railway from the Soo to Michipicoten.—The Department of Public Works desires tenders by Thursday of this week for the supply of a considerable quantity of white pine and hemlock lumber.—Edgar A. Wills, Board of Trade Building, desires tenders for the supply of a number of fire shutters.—Plans have been perfected for the enlargement of the Conservatory of Music, corner of University avenue and College street. The addition will be 65 x 50 feet, and will cost \$9,000.—The Board of Control has decided to call for new tenders for blinds for the municipal building. On the main front and east and west sides Venetian blinds will be used.

FIRES.

Frame house at Sandwich, Ont., jointly owned by James Stutz and Mrs. John Davis; damage, \$5,000, partially insured.—The Manitoba Hotel at Winnipeg, Man., one of the finest hotels in Western Canada, completely destroyed. The loss is placed at \$175,000.—Residence of Simeon Warner at Leamington, Ont.—Large frame residence of J. R. McEwan at Essex, Ont.; insurance, \$5,000.—Store of J. L. Simpson at Chatham, Ont., damaged to the extent of \$5,000.—John Duff & Sons' general store and brick residence at Indian River, Ont.—Dick's Central Hotel at Seaforth, Ont.; loss, \$5,000. The building was owned by Mr. Kling.—Tannery of Gaspard Rochette on Arago street, Quebec, entirely destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$60,000, \$45,000 being on stock and \$15,000 on building.—Building at 10-16 Front street east, Toronto, occupied by Gowans, Kent

& Co., completely gutted; loss on building, owned by Crombie and Kent Estates, \$25,000, insurance \$13,500.—Residence of Dr. Sifton at Comber, Ont.; loss, \$1,200, insurance, \$800.—Hardware store of T. I. Thompson at Owen Sound, Ont.; loss, \$5,000.—Dunn's saw mill at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., totally destroyed; loss, \$4,000, small insurance.—St. John's Presbyterian church at Brockville, Ont., completely destroyed.—Saw mill at Pine River, owned by T. A. Burrows, M.P.P., of Winnipeg.—Residence of Mr. Meisner, manager of the Acadia Iron Works at Londonderry, N. S.—Bank of Montreal at Picton, Ont., completely gutted by fire; loss covered by insurance.—The A. D. Cameron block and a brick store owned by N. A. Belcourt at Buckingham, Que.; loss, \$20,000, insurance, \$7,000.—H. Lamb's buildings, corner Chabouillez street and Chabouillez square, Montreal, damaged to the extent of \$35,000.—Leduc's Hotel at Hull, Que., owned by Dr. Graham; loss on building, \$3,000.—The Adams House at Chatham, M. B.; insurance, \$4,000.—A number of buildings at Digby, N.S., were destroyed by fire on Sunday last. Those burned include the Turnbull block, Shreve's block, post office, G. S. Stone's store, and several smaller buildings.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The contract for the completion of the Matsqui dyke has been awarded by the provincial government to McLean Bros., of this city.

COLLINGWOOD, ONT.—Contracts for roofing have recently been awarded to Mr. Daniel Allen, of Toronto, by the Meal Co., The Bryan Mfg. Co., and C. Stephens & Co.

PETERBORO, ONT.—Contracts for the erection of a brick house for Michael Connolly have been let as follows: Carpenter work, A. J. Leslie; masonry, W. Patton; painting James Hanley, all of Mount Forest.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Water Committee received tenders as follows for the supply of a boiler for the pumping station: Babcock & Wilcox Company, \$6,410; George Brush, \$5,680; John McDougall, \$5,975. The tender of Mr. McDougall has been accepted.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The city council has awarded contracts for annual supplies as follows: Ten tons half inch lead pipe, Wood, Vallance & Co., \$5.10 per 100 pounds, pig lead, A. Hope & Co., \$3.90 per 100 pounds, cast iron pipe, Gartschore-Thompson Pipe Foundry Co., \$27 per ton, castings, junctions, etc., City Brass Foundry, \$2.24 per 100 pounds; ordinary castings, Gartschore-Thompson Foundry Co., \$1.75 per 100 pounds; five hundred iron stop-cock boxes, Burrow, Stewart & Milne, \$1.10 each; six tanks for street-watering wagons, A. Winckler, \$20 each; hose, for street watering, Gutta Percha & Rubber Co., Toronto, 37 cents. The tender of Frankel Bros., Toronto, for pig lead, \$3.72, was the lowest, but the majority of the committee members voted to give the contract to Adam Hope & Co., at \$3.90. There were two tenders for twelve small hydrants—Dodson & Sutton, \$30, and the City Brass Foundry, \$28. No action regarding these tenders was taken.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Following is a list of the tenders received for the construction of section three of the main drainage works: Henry Smith and John Heney, Ottawa, \$169,000; John O'Leary and H. Robillard, Ottawa, \$157,500; John G. Poupore, Ottawa, \$137,999; John Coates and Robert Surtrees, Ottawa, \$167,960; Laverdure & Lafamme, Ottawa, \$107,695; E. W. Clark, Nepean, \$153,498; J. G. Steacy, Brockville, \$221,434; Robert Grant, Toronto, \$138,072.47; John McKnight, Toronto, \$174,735; Allan & Fleming, Ottawa, \$138,889; John Burns