

of expert on the cost and maintenance of an electric light plant for the city.—Building permits have been issued as follows: W. J. McDonald, two-story brick dwelling, corner Main and Grant ave., cost \$1,700; F. J. Rastrick & Son, brick residence on Wentworth street north, for H. Smith, cost \$900; A. W. Peene, two-story brick dwelling on Bay street south, for T. E. Leather, cost \$3,000.—J. W. Jardine, county clerk, invites tenders up to Saturday next for building an addition of a fire-proof vault to the Registry office. Plans at office of Stewart McPhie, architect.—Tenders are wanted by S. H. Kent, on behalf of the city, for the construction of a 65-foot Hayes aerial hook and ladder truck. Tenders close August 24th.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Montreal Street Railway Company will lay new rails on Craig street.—The Archbishop has approved of a portion of the plans for the new church of St. Jean Baptiste, as prepared by J. Emile Vanier, architect. Rev. Mr. Auclair, parish priest, states that the contracts will not be awarded for some days yet, as certain changes had to be made in the specifications.—Mr. R. A. Waite, of Buffalo, is announced to have been engaged to prepare plans for the new office building to be built by the Grand Trunk Railway Company. It is believed that the building will cost nearly one million dollars.—The St. Henri council is considering a proposition from the Bushnell Oil Company to establish their works in that city. The site of the proposed works is on the canal bank.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Tenders will shortly be called for another batch of street improvements, including macadam and asphalt pavements.—The Western Electrical Company has made a proposition to the city to establish a telephone service.—The city purposes carrying out the following improvements: Macadam pavements, with stone curb and three inches of top dressing of crushed rock or other hard stone, on Colony street, from Broadway to Portage ave., cost \$5,500, and on Furby street, from Portage ave. to Cornish street, cost \$10,470; asphalt pavement on Portage ave., from Main street to the west line of Hargrave street, cost \$54,000; macadamizing two roadways on Portage ave., from the west line of Hargrave street to the west line of Sherbrook street, cost \$28,600; cedar block pavement on Main street south, from Main street bridge to south side of River ave., cost \$1,900.—The Council having advertised for the construction of certain pavements, and no tenders having been received, it has been decided to do the work by day labor. The following are the pavements: Macadam pavement—on Garry street, from Assiniboine ave. to Notre Dame ave., cost \$9,057; on Ellice ave., from Notre Dame ave. to Vaughan street, cost \$6,535; on Vaughan street, from Ellice ave. to end of street, cost \$5,200; on Charlotte street, from Cumberland ave. to William ave., cost \$3,613.80; on Ellen street, from Notre Dame ave. to Logan ave., cost \$6,479.50; on Rupert street, from Main street to Victoria Park, cost \$2,330.30.

TORONTO, ONT.—The City Council has given notice of its intention to carry out the following work. Asphalt pavement on each side of the track allowance on Queen street, from Bathurst to Niagara street, cost \$17,760. Brick pavement on Russell street, from St. George street to Spadina ave., cost \$4,000. Cedar block pavement on Bathurst street, from Front to Niagara street, cost \$4,230; on Elliott street, from Boulton to Broadview ave., cost \$1,550; on Clinton street, from Mansfield ave. to College street, cost \$1,240, on Humbert street, from Dundas street to Dovercourt road, cost \$1,325; on each side of the street railway track allowance on Queen street, from Niagara street to Gladstone ave., cost \$9,680. Macadam roadway on Adelaide street, from Jarvis to Church

street, cost \$1,620; on Wellesley street, from Yonge to Jarvis street, cost \$2,560; on Wellesley crescent, from Jarvis to Sherbourne street, cost \$1,640; on St. Alban's street, from Surrey place to Yonge street, cost \$3,720.—A proposition is under consideration to purchase the old Upper Canada College buildings for Technical School purposes.—The Council of North Toronto has instructed the chairman of the Water and Light Committee to obtain plans for a residence to be built for the waterworks engineer.—Mr. Leland, of New York, was in the city last week in connection with the proposed palace hotel on King street, which he believes will be built.—The Board of Control has decided to call for new tenders for a tamarac pavement on Scott street, as the former specifications made no provision for pitch filling.—A 12 inch fire protection main will be laid on Colborne street before the asphalt pavement is constructed.—Building permits were last week granted as follows: A. B. Ormsby & Co., 2-story brick addition, 126 Queen street east, cost \$1,150; M. S. Robinson, 4-story brick addition in rear of Bijou Theatre, cost \$2,600; trustees House of Industry, two brick additions of two stories each to the House of Industry on Elm street, cost \$15,000; M. Staunton & Co., brick cellar under factory, 946 Yonge street, cost \$2,500; George H. Hees & Co., 3-story brick factory near Avenue road, on south side Pears ave., cost \$9,000, and 3-story brick warehouse adjoining the factory, cost \$7,000; J. F. Urquhart, dwelling, corner King street and Tyndall avenue, cost \$7,000; Patterson Manufacturing Co., addition to premises, Berkeley street, cost \$2,000.—Members of the City Council and architect Lennox are now making arrangements for inviting tenders for the furnishing of the council chamber and other municipal offices of the new city and county building.—Dr. Fraleigh, 182 Claremont street, wants tenders by 15th inst. for building six-roomed house.—In this issue Messrs. Darling & Pearson, architects, invite tenders for the rebuilding of the Clifton House at Niagara Falls.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Rev. Canon Bouillon, of the archbishop's palace, has completed plans for extensive alterations to the Catholic church at Bic, in the Diocese of Rimouski.—Jos. Boyden has decided to build a six-story hotel on Mackenzie ave.—The Ottawa Car Company will likely build an addition to their building.—E. F. E. Roy, secretary Department of Public Works, invites tenders until Aug. 23rd, for the erection of a public building at Ingersoll, Ont., and until Aug. 22nd for

heating apparatus for public building at Arnprior.—A movement is on foot to establish an abattoir in this city. Among others Geo. Kidd is believed to be interested.—Residents of Lower Town will petition the council to erect a branch police station in that vicinity.—There will be an addition to Rideau street next season, when the premises occupied by the Forsters' hotel will be extended through to George street, on which there will be a separate entrance. Mr. Robitaille, the proprietor, will also build a large music hall, dining hall, and additional bedrooms and kitchen.—The estimated cost of the new permanent roadway on Queen street, between O'Connor and Bank, is \$8,373. The Sparks street roadway, from Bank to 274, below Bay street, will cost \$26,937.—Another application will be made next session for a charter for a bridge between Hull and Ottawa, to give the Hull & Aylmer Electric Railway entrance to Ottawa.—The Ottawa Dynamite Company are negotiating for the purchase of a site between the Richmond road and the Ottawa river, upon which to erect their works. The company intends increasing their plant and manufacturing blasting materials more extensively than in the past. Sidings will be built to the C.P.R. main line.—It is now stated that the C.P.R. is endeavoring to secure property on Rideau and Besserer streets for the purpose of erecting a central station of their own, independent of the C.A.R.—The new building to be erected by the Fruit Exchange Company will be a large four-story structure, the top story to be devoted entirely to cold storage. Plans of the new buildings are being prepared, and tenders will be soon called for, but it is not likely that work will be commenced before next spring.

FIRES.

Recent fires destroyed the following property: Swanson's furniture factory, Adams' hame factory, Gale's saw mill and two dwelling houses at Waterville, Que.; loss, \$12,000; insurance, \$7,000.—Warrell & Howard's saw, shingle and planing mill at Powassan, Ont.; loss, \$1,000; insurance, \$2,000.—Residence of Thomas Martin, two miles south of Brant, Ont. The house was owned by John Jefferson.—Factory of Peck, Benny & Co., on Mill street, Montreal, completely destroyed; loss, \$75,000.—Residence of H. W. White, at Carberry, Man.; loss, \$1,000.—Saw and planing mill of J. & B. Grier, 2,642 Notre Dame street, Montreal; also building adjoining, owned by A. Cantin.

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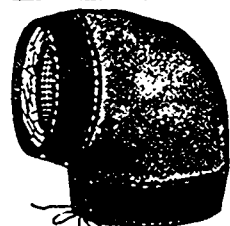
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