

across the Detroit river from Amherstburg to Gorse Island.

ST. JOHN, N.B.—It is understood that several thousand dollars will be spent on the building now occupied by the Daily Telegraph.

VERNON, B.C.—The by-law to raise \$7,000 required for the completion of the waterworks system received the approval of the ratepayers last week.

LINDSAY, ONT.—The town has granted a bonus of \$25,000, Veulam township \$14,000, and Bethany township a small sum towards the Lindsay, Bobcaygeon & Pontypool Railway.

WOODSTOCK, ONT.—The ratepayers voted in favor of the purchase of the electric light plant—Dr J J Brown has purchased a lot on Riddell street and purposes building a fine residence.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I.—The tenders for construction of 12 miles of the proposed southern railway have been sent to Moncton, and from there may be forwarded to the authorities at Ottawa.

NELSON, B.C.—The C.P.R. have completed plans for the new depot and other improvements to be carried out at this place.—Plans have been completed for the enlargement of the Waverley Hotel.

KINGSTON, ONT.—It is the intention of the city council to issue debentures for the sums of \$25,400 for consolidation of of the city debt, and \$3,500 for the extension and improvement of the waterworks.

ROSSLAND, B.C.—Plans for new freight terminals for the C.P.R. have been completed. The freight shed will be 180 x 32 feet. On the south side of the freight yard there will be erected several warehouses.

BRIDGEBURG, ONT.—The question of the construction of a waterworks system is still under consideration. Some of the ratepayers contend that the work cannot be carried out for \$26,000, the estimate made by Mr. Gross.

REGINA, N.W.T.—J. T. Dennis, Deputy Commissioner of Provincial Public Works, will receive tenders up to January 15th for construction of a sub-structure for a bridge to be erected over the bow river, near Cochrane. Plans at the office of the Irrigation Surveys office, post office building, Calgary.

YARMOUTH, N.S.—James Rozee, jr., and Wm. Churchill purpose building a brick block on the site of their burned structure.—On January 15th a public meeting of ratepayers will be held to consider the borrowing of \$13,000 for the purpose of enlarging the pumping station and installing steam engines, pumps and other necessary machinery for pumping purposes.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—The Canadian Power Co. has changed its name to the Dominion Power Co. This company has a franchise from the Dominion government to take water for power purposes from Chippewa creek. It is stated that General Fields, of Buffalo, represents capital that has become interested in the project, and that work may be commenced in the near future.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The Collegiate Institute Board, at last meeting, decided to take steps in the direction of an addition to the present building. The matter will again be taken up at the January meeting.—W. H. McLaughlin is building a brick veneered house on Florence street, to cost \$1,000.—The authorities of the Gatineau Valley Railway have decided to complete the extension of their line from Graceland to Blue Sea Lake early next summer.

ST. CATHARINES, ONT.—The Niagara Central Railway Co. have been granted permission to use the streets to extend their electric road through to Beamsville.—J. S. Gamble, solicitor, has made appli-

cation to parliament for the incorporation of the Niagara and South-Western Railway Co., with power to construct an electric railway from Niagara-on-the-Lake through St. Catharines and Smithville to Hagersville, with branches to Dunnville, Cayuga and Queenston.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—The C.P.R. have applied for authority to construct several lines in Manitoba, including the extension of the West Selkirk branch to Little Saskatchewan river.—The Immigration Department have received from Ottawa plans of the proposed immigration hospital to be built in this city. The building will be two storeys, 70 x 35 feet, cost \$7,000, and will be equipped with a sterilizing plant costing \$2,000.—It is said that tenders will be called for in a few days by the Dominion government for improvements to St. Andrews rapids.

VICTORIA, B.C.—The Rhode property, corner Cormorant and Store street, and the adjoining brick block, have been purchased by John Hepburn. A brick block will be built on the property.—John Hepburn has purchased the American hotel property on Yates street and will erect on the site a three-storey stone front building.—Besides plans under way for new buildings, F. M. Rattenbury, architect, has under construction the following buildings: New Westminster, three buildings, cost \$40,000; Vancouver, cold storage for P. Burns, \$20,000; block of stores, \$15,000; Calgary, stone residence for P. Burns, \$25,000; Calgary, office block, \$8,000; Nelson, bank building, \$35,000; Nelson, cold storage, \$15,000; Rossland, bank building, \$50,000; projected hotel, \$75,000; Greenwood, hotel, \$15,000; Deerpark, residence, \$10,000; Victoria, alterations to court house, \$25,000; Victoria, residence for E. V. Bodwell, \$5,000.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The application of the Demarara Electric Co. for a franchise for an electric railway and lighting plant in Georgetown, Demarara, has been granted by the council of that city. The capital stock of the company is \$850,000, and among the directors are Senator Drummond, Sir Wm. Van Horne and W. B. Chapman, of this city.—It is understood that the Department of Public Works at Ottawa have completed the plans for the proposed improvements at the east end of the harbor, and that they will be forwarded to the Harbor Board in a few days.—An order-in-council has been issued, and is published in the Canada Gazette, approving of the agreement between the Montreal Harbor Commissioners and the Connors Syndicate for the construction of elevators and other harbor improvements.

HAMILTON, ONT.—It is said that the Hoepfner Refining Co. have decided to enlarge their plant here to four times the size at first contemplated. The plant as it now stands consists of a main building 236 x 55 feet and three smaller buildings.—Gibson & Osborne have applied for incorporation of the Nickel Copper Co. of Ontario, with a capital of \$1,000,000. Among the incorporators are A. T. Wood, M.P., J. H. Tilden and Geo. E. Tuckett, of this city, and J. A. Kammerer, of Toronto.—R. Buscombe has been granted a building permit for 12 two-storey brick dwellings, corner Locke and King streets, cost \$13,500.—Mayor Teetzel is advocating the purchase of additional property adjoining the hospital, for the purposes of projected additions to that institution.—The ratepayers on Monday last approved of the expenditure of \$150,000 for road improvements.

VANCOUVER, B.C.—It is said that the British Columbia Electric Railway Co. intend erecting a large hotel on Hastings street, to cost \$100,000.—S. Sherdahl, of the Rose Hill nurseries, has decided to erect a two-storey brick and stone building, 66 x 132 feet, corner Abbott and

Water streets, from plans prepared by E. Guenther, architect.—The School Board has requested that the council provide several new school buildings, including one at Fairview and one between Fairview and Mount Pleasant.—The British Columbia Electric Railway Co. will shortly extend its tracks on Robson and other streets, in connection with which considerable paving will be done.—Application will be made to parliament to incorporate a company to construct a railway from Kitimat Arm, in this province, via Copper and Skeena rivers to Pine river pass, in the district of Cariboo.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Metallic Roofing Co. have purchased property adjoining their factory on King street west, with the intention of building a large addition.—Dr. A. E. Sheppard, of Chicago, was in the city last week in connection with the establishment of a sanatorium as a branch of St. Luke's Society, of Chicago. If a suitable property can not be secured, a new building will be erected.—The city engineer has been advised that the plans for straightening the Don river have been sent to Ottawa.—It is understood that Ryrie Bros., jewelers, who recently leased the premises at 122 Yonge street, intend making considerable alterations, including a handsome front, the one recently put in being intended as temporary.—Building permits have been granted as follows: Copp, Clark & Co., warehouse on Front street west, near Bay, cost \$20,000; Wm. Booth, pair semi-detached two-storey and attic brick dwellings, south side Chicora avenue, near Avenue road, cost \$4,000.—Tenders are invited up to Friday, 5th inst., for additions and alterations to St. Patrick's church in this city. Plans at office of A. W. Holmes, architect, 170 Spadina avenue.—The Compensating Pipe Organ Company are about to commence operations in this city. They have secured temporary premises at corner of Tecumseh and Niagara streets, but intend erecting a factory on King street west, opposite the Metallic Roofing Co.'s works.—The Artificial Lumber Co., of New York, purpose establishing a branch in Canada, and are looking for a site where a large supply of straw and good shipping facilities are available.

FIRES.

Catholic church at Campbellford, Ont., loss \$6,000, insurance \$3,000.—Schooley & Co.'s general store at Holland, Man.; loss \$4,000.—Rectory at Rothsay, N.B., occupied by Rev. A. W. Daniel. The building was owned by the New Brunswick Real Estate & Loan Co.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

CHEMAINUS, B.C.—Walter Ford has secured contract for hospital building.

AMHERSTBURG, ONT.—The contract of rebuilding the St. Imperial has been let to Wm. Lane, of Windsor.

GALT, ONT.—\$7,411.05 local improvements debentures have been sold to the Gore Mutual Insurance Co. for \$7,930.56.

NELSON, B.C.—The contract for engines for new tug boat to be built here by the C.P.R. has been awarded to the Polson Iron Works Co., Toronto.

HULL, QUE.—Joseph Bourque, of this city, has secured contracts for erecting House of Studies adjoining St. Jean Baptiste church in Ottawa for the Dominican Fathers.

BRANTFORD, ONT.—The tender of the Watrous Engine Works Co., of Brantford, has been accepted by the council for a pumping engine; price, \$29,957. There were six tenderers.

QUEBEC, QUE.—The Great Northern Railway Company have awarded a contract to Chapman & Co., of Buffalo, to