semi-detached brick residence owned by the Karley estate, totally destroyed.—Intercoionial round house at Sussex, N.B.

## CONTRACTS AWARDED.

WALERFORD, ONT.—New bridge for corporation: Dr. A. C. Duncombe, successful tenderer.

NELSON, B. C.—C.P R. bridge over the Columbia river: John Gunn, of Stonewall, successful tenderer.

SYDNEY, C.B.— The contract for erection of post office here has been let to James Reed, of North Sydney.

BORCAYGEON, ONT. — Presbyterian church: Peter Grant, contractor, at \$2,700, exclusive of windows, furniture and heating.

EDMONTON, N.W.T.—The tender of G.W. Wood & Sen, Toronto, for purchase of \$25,000 of debentures, has been accepted by the town.

QUEBEC, QUE.—The North Shore Railway Co. have let the contract for a steel bridge over the Yamaska river to the Dominion Bridge Co., of Montreal.

HAMILTON, ONT.—D. Newlands has secured contract for Simcoe street sewer, and J.J. Armstrong that for the Stinson street sewer; price, 34 cents per foot.

PETERBORO. ONT.—The tender of the Hamilton Bridge Works Co. has been accepted by the council for steel superstructure of Reid street bridge; price \$\$15.

FREDERICTON. N. B.— Dennis Shea has been awarded the contract for installing a hot water heating apparatus, in the military buildings here; price about 56 000.

HALIFAX, N.S.—Reid & Archibauld have secured the contract to build the Little Falls Bridge, Sheet Harbor, the Goose Harbor bridge in Guyshoro county, and the Raquette bridge in Digby county.

VICTORIA, B.C.—Rifle range at Clover Point: Robt. Dinsdale, contractor.—Doctor's residence at Jubilee Hospital: F. M. Rattenbury, architect; McKillican & McCalmott, contractors; price about 52,400.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Addition to building for John McKay: Arthur Ellis, architect: masonry, Watts & Morley; fearpentering, Geo. Hunter; plumbing and gas fixtures, galvanized roof and metal ceiling work, Elliot Bros., painting and glazing, Robertson Bros.

BROCKVILLE, ONT. — James Smart Mfg. Co. have been awarded contracts for warming and ventilating the following buildings, using their "Kelsey" warm air cenerators: Block of stores in Rapid City, Man., using three large Kelsevs; St. Luke's church. Waterloo, Que.; Methodist church, Hanover, Ont.

PORT HOPE, ONT.—The tenders for water tower, pumps and boiler were opened by the council on 4th inst., and contracts awarded as follows: Steel water tower, capacity 200.000 impl. gals., Hunter Bridge Co., Kincardine, \$5,000; hoiler, 100 h.p., Hunter Bridge Co., \$500, pumping engine, capacity 1,000 irrpl. gals, per minute, The Northey Manfg. Co., Toronto \$3,267; masonry, J. H. Magill. Port Hope, \$1,100. R. E. Speakman, C. E., Toronto, consulting engineer.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Separate School Board last week accepted tenders as follows: Eight roomed school on Bond street—Masonry and brickwork, Wm. Keane, \$8,860; carpentering, M J. & D. Madden, \$5,459; plastering, Petric & Co. \$665; galvanized iron and slating, J. P. O'Hearne, \$755; painting and glazing, J. J. Brennan, \$475.—Addition to St. Anne's school, Bolton avenue—Masonry and brickwork, William Keane, \$1,179; plastering, Duck-

worth Bros., \$194; carpenter work, John Hanrahan, \$1,025; galvanized iron work and slating, J. P. O'Hearne, \$165; painting and glazing, J.J. Brennan, \$85.-Contracts were last week awarded by the Boar I of Control as follows: Cedar block pavements - Forest street, Queen street to Walnut avenue, \$4475.to, W. F. Grant & Co.; Margueretta street, Dundas to Bloor, 5.930, Dominion Paving Co. Macadam road—Hickson avenue, St. Clarens avenue to 294 feet east, \$625, W. F. Grant & Co. Cobble pavement—Farquhar's lane, Cobble pavement — ranquina Front street to Esplanade, \$748, city Concrete sidewalks street, north side, Huron street to Spadina avenue, 62c, city engineer; St. George street, west side, Lowther to Bernard. 72c; Bathurst street, east side, 72c; Admiral road, both sides, Lowther to Bernard, 61c; Prince Arthur avenue, both sides, Bedford road to 167 feet east of St. George street, 600, to Harvard Paving Co.; Cowan avenue west side, King to 150 ft. south of Queen, 65c; Jameson ave., east side, King to Queen, 67c, to Constructing & Paving Co.; Bathurst street, east side, King to Adelade, \$1.44; D'Arcy street, north side, McCaul to Spadina, \$1.34; Sherbourne street, east side, Howard to bridge, 77c, to W. F. Grant & Co.

### CHEAP DIPPING PAINT.

In painting many things there is a distinct advantage in dipping them into the paint itself rather than applying the paint by means of a brush in the ordinary way. Barbed wire is a good example, as it is very troublesome to paint with brushes, and the painting machines are very little better. An exchange gives the following recipe for a cheap dipping paint suitable for the purpose: Take fifteen gallons of coal tar, 12 oz. of resin, 11/2 pounds of lamp black, 15 pounds of finely sifted fresh slaked lime, and 3 pounds of tallow. First melt the resin and tallow, mix and add the coal tar, then break up the lamp black in gasoline to thick paste and stir in it a pint of boiled linseed oil, mix this with the lime, then stir the lime and coal tar mixture together and use the mixture while hot. If preferred to use a cold dip, thin the coal tar with turpentine or benzine until it is of the right consistency. In either case sufficient japan must be employed to make the paint dry hard.

### THE CEMENT MARKET.

The arrivals of cement at Montreal last week were 1,660 barrels English and no Belgian or German, as against 1.000 English and 3,450 Belgian and German for the previous week, making a total to date of 42,587 English, and 112,333 Belgian and German. There has been no change in the situation of the market, although the weather has been favorable, yet the demand is slow: in consequence, business is exceedingly quiet for the season, and the prices show no change.

The receipts of fire bricks for the past week were 127,600, as against 22,000 for

the previous one, making a total to date of 1,803,599. The demand is up to the average, and prices range from \$17 to \$24 per 1,000, as to brand, ex wharf.

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