

—The Waterworks Committee will request the City Council to erect a new building for storage purposes.

FREDERICTON, N. B.—Mr. Willis Chipman, C. E., of Toronto, has presented his report on a proposed sewerage system for the town. The cost is estimated at \$80,000 for eight miles of pipe, and serving a population of 15,000.

LONDON, ONT.—The trustees of the Southern Congregational church have been granted a building permit for a brick edifice on Horton street, between Maitland and Burwell streets, to cost \$5,000.—George Brady is about to erect a residence, corner Talbot and John streets.

ALEXANDRIA, ONT. The specifications for work on the dome and wing of the new Dominion reformatory have been completed. The amount which will be available for the work this year will be \$50,000. The building, when completed, will have four wings and accommodation for 1,200 persons.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.—Tenders are invited by Steven T. Whitty, at the Episcopal Residence, until Saturday, the 14th of March, for the erection of a Roman Catholic church at this place, from plans prepared by F. X. Berlinquet, architect, of Quebec, and which may be seen at his office in Quebec and at the Episcopal Residence here. The work will cost upwards of \$100,000.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Mr. Patterson, architect, is preparing plans for a new hotel to be built near the smelting works. It will be three stories high and 60 x 70 feet in size.—The directors of the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamsville railway are negotiating with the Grimsby council for the extension of the line to Beamsville.—Engineers last week inspected the route by which it is proposed to divert the sewerage from the east end sewer. Starting at Wentworth street, a second-class brick sewer will be carried along Shaw street to Victoria ave., and thence westerly to the Ferguson ave. flume. The cost will be in the neighborhood of \$40,000.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The Dominion estimates contain the following appropriations for the Maritime provinces: \$30,500 for increased accommodation at Moncton; \$20,000 for extension to deep water at North Sydney; \$105,000 for increased accommodation at Halifax; \$20,000 for the Dartmouth branch; \$5,000 for increased accommodation at Pictou; \$1,000 for a freight shed at Truro; Halifax drill hall, \$100,000; to complete the Lunenburg post office, \$1,000; maritime provinces generally, Dominion public buildings, repairs, etc., lump sum, \$10,000. Harbors and rivers Digby pier, \$2,800, extension of wharf at Georgeville, \$3,000; Grand Etang, \$5,000; wharf at Seaside, \$2,000; general repairs to piers and breakwaters, Prince Edward Island—Extension of pier at Keir's shore, \$2,500, reconstruction of breakwater, Knight's point, Souris, \$37,500; wharf at Burnt Church, N. B., \$2,000; new wharf, Gardiner's Creek, \$3,150; Negro Point breakwater, \$20,000; River St. John, including tributaries, \$16,000; repairs and improvement to harbors and river works, \$10,000.—Plans have been prepared for a new engine house, to cost \$5,000, and tenders will be asked at once.

TORONTO, ONT. The management committee of the school board will probably discuss the question of new buildings at their next meeting.—Alderman Davies is moving for the appointment of a committee from the Board of Trade to cooperate with the city council in an interview with the Dominion government, urging the necessity of commencing work at once on the Nipissing and James Bay railway.—The recommendation for a 12-inch tile sewer on Manchester avenue has been referred to the Medical Health Officer for a report.—The authorities of

the House of Industry have requested a grant of \$35,000 from the city council for building improvements. The matter has been referred to a special committee.—The report of Mr. Mansergh, C. E., on the Toronto water works is expected to be received next week.—The City Engineer will advertise at once for a pump having a daily capacity of 500,000 gallons, for the new Island water works.—The Separate School Board has been requested to erect a new school for St. Peter's parish. The petition has been referred to the Committee on Sites and Buildings for a report.—A building permit has been granted to the T. Eaton Co. for a 3-story bk. addition to warehouse, s. e. cor. James and Albert streets, to cost \$10,000.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Michael S. Foley will build a new hotel at No. 56 and 58 Metcalf street. The building will have a frontage of 112 feet, will contain 75 rooms, and will be four storeys high.—The following appropriations for public works in Quebec are contained in the Dominion estimates. Beauharnois canal, dredging at upper entrance, \$5,000; replacing coping stone on nine locks, \$1,600; charging circuit of telephone, \$800; Chambly canal, rubble walls along highway, \$2,500; rebuilding abutment and lock 8, \$4,000; gravel bank of canal, \$1,500; to purchase land and build shed and fence, \$1,000; to build culvert under canal at St. John's, \$6,000; Grenville canal, for set of spare lock gates, \$2,900, Richmond public buildings, to complete, \$14,000; Rimouski public buildings, to complete, \$10,000; St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary, \$7,000; harbors and rivers, Ancy a l'eau, \$1,500; Baie St. Paul, to complete wharf at Point aux Corbeaux, \$2,500; Etang du Nord, repairs, \$1,000; Grande river, \$2,000; general repairs, \$10,000; Philipsburg pier, \$1,000; piers, lake St. John, \$2,500; River Richelieu, pier in Bolocil channel, \$3,000; River St. Maurice, \$5,000; St. Jean d'Orleans, \$400; dredging for Quebec and Ontario, \$40,000.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—It is said to be the intention of W. S. Adams, who owns saw mills at Pine Falls, to build an electric railway from Darwin, on the C. P. R., to the Winnipeg river, a distance of twelve miles, and to use the water power for running the mills and supplying electricity for the line.—A scheme is said to be on foot to form a private company to improve the navigation of the Red river between Winnipeg and Lake Winnipeg. Mr. T. C. Livingstone has recently interviewed the Dominion Government regarding the work, which, it is estimated, will cost from \$500,000 to \$1,500,000.—General Superintendent Whyte, of the C. P. R. has stated that the western division of the road will be steadily improved, but there will be little new building or construction done. A new flour warehouse 500 feet long, about the size of the freight sheds there, will be built at Fort William, but the extension of the large elevators there, reported as likely to be gone on with, will not be constructed until next fall.—A new station will be built at Keewatin to replace the one destroyed by fire last year.—The Dominion estimates brought down last week contain the following sums for public works in province of Manitoba: \$20,000 for Portage la Prairie post-office; \$3,600 to complete Brandon industrial school; \$11,200 to provide public buildings in the territories, of which \$5,000 is for Prince Albert jail and court house; \$6,500 for wharves on Lake Winnipeg; \$3,000 for general repairs and improvements in Manitoba and \$5,000 in Territories; dredging in Manitoba, \$8,000; bridge across the Saskatchewan at Edmonton, \$25,000; for containing artesian boring in the Territories, \$7,000.—The Exhibition Association are asking the city council for a loan of \$30,000 to erect new buildings.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Hayter Reed, Dep. Superintendent General of Indian Affairs,

will receive tenders until the 17th inst. for constructing a trestle bridge over the Congua Creek, Maniwaki reserve, Que.—The Lindsay, Haliburton & Mattawa Railway Company are requesting a bonus from the Dominion government.—The appropriations for canals for 1896 contained in the Dominion estimates are as follows. Soulanges, construction, \$800,000; Cornwall, enlargement, \$185,000; Rapid Plate, enlargement, \$170,000; Galops, enlargement, \$250,000; St. Lawrence river and canals, north channel and surveys, \$20,000, Murray canal equipment, \$5,000, Trent construction, \$500,000; Sault Ste Marie, construction and equipment, \$44,000; Lachine, \$238,000; Lake St. Louis channel, straightening and deepening, \$95,000; Grenville, enlargement, \$90,000, Welland, improvements, \$5,000; Welland, land damages, Grand river, \$3,000.—A deputation from the city has requested the Dominion government to construct a new bridge over the canal at Marie street. It is believed the government will undertake the work.—A large deputation last week interviewed the government urging a grant towards the proposed interprovincial bridge over the Ottawa river. The total cost of the bridge is \$750,000. Ottawa has contributed \$150,000, the Ontario government, \$50,000, and an equal sum is expected from Quebec. The Dominion government is asked to grant \$250,000.—The directors of the Central Canada Fair have decided to raise \$40,000 by mortgage for the proposed improvements at Lansdowne Park.—A Belleville party, with whom is associated Mr. Beauvis, has taken out a permit for the erection of a building on Elgin street, two storeys high, to cost \$2,000.—Tenders are invited by Mr. Surtees, city engineer, until the 7th inst., for the supply of 600 tonne lime stone.—The plans for the second section of the Lakefield-Peterborough division of the Trent Valley canal, between Nassau and Little Lake, are now prepared and tenders will be called for in a few days.

#### FIRES.

A building at Trenton, Ont., owned by the Midland Loan & Savings Co., was destroyed by fire on the 3rd inst. Damage to building, \$1,500.—The Island City Paint and Varnish Works on St. Patrick street, Montreal, have been entirely destroyed by fire. The building was valued at \$20,000.—The dry goods store of L. O. Rumans, at Brampton, Ont., was recently damaged to the extent of \$15,000. The building will be rebuilt.—A residence at Strathroy, Ont., owned by John Wilkinson, has been burned.—C. B. Williams' planing mill at 103 Ontario street, Toronto, was destroyed by fire last week; partially insured.—A new house on Union street, Kingston, owned by J. Giddon, was burned on the 27th ult.; insurance, \$2,000.—The stove and hardware establishment of John C. Clark, Berwick, N.S., has been burned. Loss \$4,000; small insurance.—The residence of George Jackson, at Downsview, Ont., was recently destroyed by fire. Loss, \$4,000; insurance, \$1,500.—The Union Hotel at Trenton, Ont., owned by J. Rupert, has been damaged by fire. Loss covered by insurance.—The asylum at Beauport, Que., was partially destroyed by fire on the 4th inst. Insurance on building \$100,000.

#### CONTRACTS AWARDED.

VICTORIA, B. C.—The contract for a villa residence on St. Charles street has been awarded to Thomas Cauterall.

BLYTH, ONT.—The contractors for the new school here are Henry Stevens, of Clinton, and Robert Howard, of this town.

KINGSTON, ONT.—W. J. Chapman has been awarded the contract for remodeling