

Burnt river works; \$5,147, Mary and Fairy lakes improvements, \$1,100, (re-vote) to construct a swing bridge at Combermere, Madawaska river, \$2,000 (conditional re-vote), removing obstruction from River aux Ralsin; \$1,000 (conditional re-vote), Nation River improvement at Inkerman; \$1,500 (conditional re-vote), improvement at Ferguson's Falls, Mississippi River; \$5,000 (conditional re-vote), Caistor River improvement; \$2,000, Union Creek. The sum of \$35,000 is to be expended for mining roads, the principal items being Wabigoon, Manitou and Rainy Lake mining roads, to open about 14 miles, and construct dam, etc., \$8,000; English River and Saw Bill Lake mining road, to construct about 35 miles as a wagon road, \$12,000; other mining roads, to construct where, upon examination, they are deemed necessary, \$10,000.—Tenders are asked until Saturday next for the iron staircase work required in the Temple building. Plans at the office of Geo. W. Gouinlock, architect.—The York Pioneers have asked for a grant of \$2,000 from the City Council for the erection of a monument to Lord Simcoe.—At the annual meeting of the Industrial Exhibition Association, the annual report of the directors was presented, which recommended the erection of a new building for the swine exhibit, the enlargement of the present main building, the erection of a new art gallery, and a new building for heating apparatus.—The town of North Toronto desires tenders for enlarging the well at the engine house. Plans at the office of the Town Clerk, W. J. Douglas.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Parliament will be asked for a charter for a railway from Chesterfield Inlet, Hudson Bay, to Great Slave Lake, and from the Mackenzie to the Yukon.—Separate or bulk tenders are asked before the 27th inst. for the erection of a new school building on Osgoode street, from plans by E. L. Horwood, architect, Bank Street Chambers; also for a four room addition to Archibald street school, according to plans to be seen at the office of M. C. Edey, architect, 51 Sparks street.—Mr. Rudolph Hering, C.E., of New York, was in the city last week obtaining data for his report on the main drainage system.—It is understood that a subsidy of \$3,200 per mile will be granted during the coming session towards the construction of a line of railway across the province of New Brunswick, from Edmundston to Barry's Mills. The charter to build this road was obtained some years ago by the late John J. Macdonald, who built the Temiscouata Railway, and it is this company that now controls it and purposes building the new short line.—The Ottawa and Gatineau Valley Ry. will in all probability be extended to Desert this spring, a distance of 25 miles. At Lake Luce a large hotel will be built whenever the road passes through that locality.—The Department of Railways and Canals have extended the time for receiving tenders for Portland and hydraulic cement until the 20th of March.—The City Council has decided to ask the Ontario Legislature for permission to raise \$75,000 for extending the water mains and \$55,000 for increased fire appliances.—The Ottawa Street Railway Company propose erecting a large pavilion at the West End park.—The City Engineer has stated that it would cost \$24,000 for improving the power of the pumps at the waterworks; for enlarging certain mains and laying another 12-inch pipe on Wellington street, together with one hundred hydrants, \$30,000 would be required.—G. M. Bayley, architect, will receive tenders until noon on March 6th for the erection of a building on Queen street.—The American Bank Note Company are reported to have purchased property on Wellington street,

on which it is proposed to erect a brick block.—A sufficient number of signatures has been secured for the petition to pave Wellington street, and the work is likely to be proceeded with in the early spring. Massillon brick will be used.

FIRES.

The residence of James Klock, M. P., at Klock's Mills, Ont., was destroyed by fire last week.—A large brick cottage at Colborne, Ont., owned by Mrs. Richard Clark, was burned on Saturday last; insurance \$800.—Piling & Schooler's general store at Miami, Man., was destroyed by fire last week. Loss \$5,000; insurance \$4,000.—The large pottery of S. F. Glass, of Pottersburg, Ont., was consumed by fire on the 21st inst. The loss is placed at \$42,000, and is only partly covered by insurance.—Amos Estabrook's house at Upper Lachine, N. B., was burned lately.—Cavanagh's hotel at Elkhorn, Man., was burned on the 22nd inst. Insurance \$7,000.—A disastrous fire occurred at Windsor Mills, Que., on Tuesday last, destroying McCabe's block, a \$10,000 structure, Begin & Duchesneau's block, Millett's block, Bowie's block and several outbuildings.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

PICTOU, N. S.—Jos. McDonald has secured the contract for moving and repairing the freight sheds at Pictou station.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Fensom Elevator Works, of this city, have closed a contract with the directors of the Ontario Chambers, Ottawa, for an electric elevator.

MONTREAL, QUE.—W. E. Doran, architect, has awarded contracts as follows for a warehouse to be erected at the corner of Wellington and Marie streets for the Union Cold Storage Company: Masonry, John Quinlan; carpenter and joiner's work, Bulmer & Bulmer; roofing, Montreal Roofing Co.—Contracts have

been awarded as follows, by A. C. Hutchison, architect, for four houses, three stories, comprising four tenements, on Dorchester street for Wm. Rutherford & Sons. Masonry, J. H. Hutchison, carpenter and joiner's work, Wm. Rutherford & Sons, roofing, Montreal Roofing Co., plumbing and heating, W. J. Hughes; brickwork, Thos. W. Peel, plastering, Knott & Gardner, painting and glazing, A. Craig, iron work, Dominion Bridge Co.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The contract for a temporary roof for the burned Western block of the Parliament buildings has been let to Joseph Bourque, of Hull.—The contract for the construction of the wharf at L'Original has been awarded to Messrs. Murray & Munro, of Pembroke.—The contract has been awarded to Mr. E. Gillespie, of the Upper Ottawa Improvement Company, for constructing a pier 150 feet long and 20 feet in width, in front of the Britannia Boating Club's boat house.—Messrs. Ahearn & Soper have been awarded the contract for equipping the electric railway between Montreal and Lachine.—Campbell & Sutherland have been awarded the contract for plastering Pittaway's building, recently destroyed by fire. Asbestos plaster will be used.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Plans are being prepared for improvements in the Grand Opera house.—The council have awarded contracts for annual supplies as follows. Fire Department clothing, Fraick & Co., winter coats, \$9.25 each; vests, \$2.45; trousers, \$4.75 a pair; caps, helmets, etc., R. P. Leask, \$386.35; Fire Department hose, Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Company, Toronto, 1,000 feet at 85-cents a foot. Waterworks Department hose, Wood, Vallance & Co., 35½ cents a foot; ten tons half-inch lead pipe, Wood, Vallance & Co., at \$4.15; twelve tons pig lead, Adam Hope & Co.,

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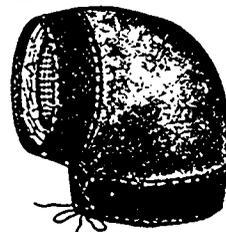
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