

×60 feet, on which to erect buildings estimated to cost \$150,000. The Council will be asked to grant them exemption from taxation.

**SOREL, QUE.**—It has been definitely decided that the shops of the Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company, which were burned down recently, are to be rebuilt here. The works include the boiler shop, tin shop, blacksmith and carpenter shops.

**SANDWICH, ONT.**—The County Council has decided to submit the question of the removal of the county buildings to a vote of the electors at the January elections, and for the present to repair the present buildings, at a cost of \$20,000. Mason & Rice, architects, of Detroit, will have charge of the work.

**WOODSTOCK, N. B.**—A special committee has recommended the construction of sewers in different sections of the town.—Wm. M. Connell will build a three-story building on Queen street, containing stores and offices.—Chas. G. Connell is preparing to build a residence at the corner of Chapel and Green streets.

**CRYLSER, ONT.**—Tenders are invited by the Council, addressed to J. A. Cockburn, Clerk, until Friday, the 20th inst. for deepening, widening and straightening the main and south branches of the Johnston drain, in the 7th, 8th and 9th concessions of the township of Finch. Estimated cost of Main drain, \$2,420.80; of south drain, \$579.16. Plans may be seen at the Clerk's office.

**HALIFAX, N. S.**—The City Engineer has reported on the cost of an asphalt sidewalk on the east side of Brunswick street, from Jacob street to North street as follows: 5,031 square yards of asphalt, \$3,221.70; 200 feet of circular gutter at 68c., \$134; resetting 3,200 feet of curb, laying gutters and providing and resetting hatches and coal holes, \$3,410; macadamising street to new grade from Jacob street to Artz lane, 3,200 feet at \$1.00, \$3,200.00.—Fred. T. DeWolf, president of the Mutual Real Estate Company, will build three dwelling houses on his property.

**WINNIPEG, MAN.**—Ald. Sproule has given notice of a by-law to provide for the construction of a system of waterworks.—It is the intention of the Provincial Government to undertake the construction of two main channels connecting Netley Creek with a drainage inlet to the bog at the north end and Wavy creek with Jack Fish creek on the west side; also the construction of all necessary lateral channels, at a total estimated cost of \$80,000.—A three-story brick block is to be erected on the site of the building lately occupied by Campbell Bros., on Main street between Market and James streets.

**OTTAWA, ONT.**—The electric railway company will build a \$6,000 subway under the Parry Sound line at Hintonburg.—The Government has decided to pave the roadways and sidewalks on Parliament grounds. The footpaths will be of artificial stone and the roadways of asphalt. The work will cost about \$10,000.—The property owners are circulating a petition asking the City Council to pave with asphalt that portion of the roadway running from Maria to Ann street. The cost of the work is placed at about \$60,000. The City Clerk is receiving tenders this week for repairs to the By-Ward market.

**LONDON, ONT.**—The City Engineer is receiving tenders for a brick freight shed, brick engine house and frame coal dock.—Mr. Moore, superintendent of waterworks has submitted a report in regard to improving the city's water supply. He proposes to utilize Redmonds pond, laying about 10,000 feet of piping, and to construct a reservoir. The cost of excavating the reservoir and connecting it with

the pumping plant is as follows: Excavating 300,000 cubic yards, \$30,000; constructing 10,000 feet 10-inch cast iron pipe, \$10,000. Mr. Moore has also submitted a plan for increasing the storage capacity of the upper pond at Springbank from 881,250 gallons, at a total cost of \$9,500. The council will consider the matter.

**MONTREAL, QUE.**—Mr. P. A. R. Labelle, architect, is preparing plans for a six storey carriage factory on Osborne street for B. Ledoux & Co.—Mr. E. Vanier, C. E., is preparing plans for a drainage system for Cote St. Paul.—The St. Henri Council have decided to remodel the town hall.—Tenders for the laying of a sewer on Souvenir street, St. Cunegonde, will be called for at once.—A committee has been formed to promote the erection of a monument to the late Honore Mercier. The intention is to erect a monument valued at between \$30,000 and \$40,000.—Mr. A. T. Taylor, architect, is preparing plans for alterations to the Chateau museum.—The Imperial Brush Manufacturing Co. have decided to proceed at once with the construction of their works at the corner of Ontario and Joan de Arc streets, and have elected directors as follows: R. Forget, Jos. Brunet, H. Laporte, A. Desjardins and Bickerdike.—The Department of Railways and Canals for the Dominion are asking for tenders until Tuesday, the 24th inst., addressed to A. Benoit, secretary, Ottawa, for renewing in part with galvanized iron the roof of the drill shed in this city. Specifications may be seen at the brigade office, drill shed, Craig street.

**HAMILTON, ONT.**—Messrs. Wm. Stewart & Sons, architects, have been engaged to prepare plans for the new building for the Collegiate Institute and School of Pedagogy.—The Board of Works is considering the proposal to lay a block of experimental pavement on John street, between King and King William streets. Engineer Haskins estimates the cost of various sorts of pavement per square yard as follows: macadam, 50 cents; cedar blocks, 70 cents; gas-tar asphalt, \$1.75; vitrified brick, \$2.05; Trinidad asphalt, \$2.50; rock asphalt, \$3; concrete, without any covering, 80 cents.—The report of Mr. Keating, City Engineer of Toronto, on the improvement of the Hamilton waterworks system will be presented to the Council at an early date.—At the last meeting of the Finance Committee an application was received from the Hamilton Radial Electric Railway Company, asking for right of way from Sherman avenue west in Cannon street. The intention of the company is to build an electric railroad from the Falls to Toronto via Hamilton. The application was sent on to Council. The request of the Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo railway for an additional bonus was thrown out.—The Finance Committee will be asked to provide funds for the paving of the portion of King street, east of Gore Park, yet unpaved. The cost will be between \$2,000 and \$4,000.

**TORONTO, ONT.**—Ex.-Ald. Pells proposes to commence work at once on a new theatre building, at the corner of King and Frederick streets, the site for which is now being prepared. The building will be three storeys high, with balcony and gallery and entrances from both streets. Estimated cost \$65,000.—The new building to be erected at the corner of Queen and Yonge streets for Philip Jamieson will be of brick, four storeys, and will cost \$27,000.—The City Council has given notice that the following work will be carried out: on Berkeley street, from Gerrard street to Carlton street, cost \$3,020; asphalt roadway on Wellesley place Wellesley crescent to Wellesley lane, cost \$3,315; macadam roadways on Adelaide street, Spadina avenue to

Bathurst street, cost \$2,500; on Elizabeth street, Queen street to College street, cost \$3,460; on Sheppard street, Adelaide to Richmond street, cost \$520; Anderson street, Simcoe to McCaul street, cost \$400; on Beverley street, from Queen to College street, cost \$16,800.—Mr. Macdougall, County Engineer, is locating the extension of the suburban electric railway from Toronto Junction to Islington.—Mr. Henry Simpson, architect, is preparing plans for a new hotel to be erected by Jethro Worden, on the site of his present hotel. The new building will be classic in design, of red pressed brick and cut stone.—The City Council has decided to again submit a by law to the ratepayers authorizing the construction of a tunnel across the bay. The vote will be taken on October 5th.—At a meeting of the Property Committee held on Monday last the Cobban Manufacturing Company were given an additional eight feet of frontage on which to erect their factory on Lake street.—Building permits have been granted as follows; Philip Jamieson, 4 story bk. store, n. w. cor. Queen and Yonge streets, cost \$27,500; Nicol Kingsmill, 1 story bk. add., rear 100 Yorkville ave., cost \$1,000; S. Brown, 202 Sherbourne st., 2 story bk. add. rear 165 Adelaide st. w., cost \$1,200; Josiah Palmer, 235 Elizabeth st., pr. s. d. 2 story and attic bk. dwellings, e. side Dufferin st., opposite Huxley st., cost \$3,000.

#### FIRES.

The residence of James Knowles at Longueuil West, Que., was destroyed by fire last week.—Wm. Clark's shingle mill at Stephenson, Ont., was destroyed by fire recently.—The town of Liverpool, N. S., was almost completely wiped out by fire on the 8th inst., all the principal buildings being destroyed. The loss is placed at \$75,000, with about \$20,000 insurance.—A row of tenements on St. Vincent street, Montreal, were burned on Monday. Loss \$15,000.—Several buildings at Arthur, Ont., were burned on Monday last, among which were C. Blackwood's store, Sawyer's shoe store, and R. Wood's drug store.—The mill of the Robin Hood Smokeless Powder Co., at Winnipeg, Man., was recently burned.—Damage to the extent of \$10,000 was occasioned at Frankford, Ont., on the 10th inst. Among the losses are: Foster's block, \$4,500; Bostrom block, \$4,500; James Foster's machinery hall, \$1,000.

#### CONTRACTS AWARDED.

**HAMILTON, ONT.**—The contract for a sewer on Hunter street has been let to D. Beer, at 38 cents a foot.

**SARNIA, ONT.**—Alex. Joss has secured the plumbing and heating contract for the new hospital here.

**ST. JOHN, N. B.**—G. & E. Blake have been given the contract for heating apparatus for the Erin street school.

**GUELPH, ONT.**—The Guelph Pavement Co. have been awarded the contract for laying cement sidewalks in the town of Elnora.

**DUNDAS, ONT.**—The Council has accepted the tender of the Hamilton Bridge Works for the superstructure of the Creighton road bridge.

**NEWMARKET, ONT.**—Wm. Cane & Sons, of this town, have received the contract for the interior finish of the new Ontario Ladies College at Whitby.

**PETERBORO', ONT.**—The Council have awarded the contract for 1,210 feet of sewer extension to Thos. Rutherford and James Bogue, local contractors.

**TRURO, N. S.**—Tenders were received for laying asphalt sidewalks from John C. McFarridge, of Halifax; George B. Churchill, of Yarmouth, and McDonald & Co., of Westville, the former being accepted.