

CURRENT NEWS.

Montreal, P.Q.—A report states that the Canadian Northern Railway, by reason of recent purchases, intend to make extensions to the Moreau Street Station. The yards at this point will be enlarged to twice their present capacity.

Moose Jaw, Sask.—There is a probability of a new immigration hall being erected in this city.

Port Colborne, Ont.—Work has started on the new plant of the Canadian Union Furnace Company.

Regina, Sask.—Messrs. Storey and Van Egmond have prepared plans for a new steam laundry to be erected for Messrs. Whitmore Bros. The building will be 50 x 100 feet of brick and steel construction, 3 stories, and the cost will be about \$100,000.

St. Catharines, Ont.—The damage to the Welland Canal by reason of the recent accident will amount to \$7,000.

Toronto, Ont.—The management of the Adams Harness Manufacturing Company have purchased a site on Logan Avenue, and on the same will erect a factory for the manufacture of blankets and horse collars.

Vancouver, B.C.—Mr. A. G. Ferra, Italian Consul, will erect a six story apartment house on Hastings Street. It will be of brick and terra cotta 50 x 122 feet. Mr. F. H. Perkins, of Vancouver, B.C., is the architect.

Vancouver, B.C.—Mr. W. McPherson is erecting a four story mill construction warehouse 100 x 50 feet. Messrs. Townsend and Townsend are the designers.

Victoria, B.C.—Mr. Jesse M. Warren has prepared plans for a church building to be erected by the congregation of the First Baptist Church. The materials are pressed brick and cut stone. The structure will cost about \$100,000.

BRIDGES, ROADS AND PAVEMENTS.

Dauphin, Man.—The engineering department of this municipality will shortly call tenders for the superstructures of eight bridges. Mr. J. A. Gorby is secretary-treasurer of this town.

Hull, P.Q.—The City Engineer, J. P. A. Laforest, is preparing plans for a concrete bridge to replace the present structure at the pump house. The bridge will have a length of fifty feet and will cost about \$1,500. If the plans are approved by the council the work will be commenced this season.

Irishtown, N.B.—The provincial Public Works Department will erect a new concrete bridge and undertake considerable road work in this section.

Lindsay, Ont.—The municipal council will call tenders for cement sidewalks.

Listowel, Ont.—The municipal council are considering the matter of street paving, and it is probable that tenders will be called in the near future. W. Climie is mayor of this town.

St. Catharines, Ont.—The municipal council have decided to construct a concrete bridge, 800 feet in length, across the old canal. The cost of this work will be \$65,000. R. D. Brown, City Engineer.

St. Catharines, Ont.—Property owners in the vicinity of St. Paul Street will petition the municipal council to have a bridge constructed across Lock No. 3 of the Welland Canal.

Toronto-Hamilton, Ont.—A committee composed of W. A. MacLean, E. A. James, A. F. McCallum, W. D. Platt and Mayor T. L. Kennedy, president of the Good Roads Association, will secure information as to the best class of pavement and the probable cost of constructing a permanent highway between these two cities.

York County, Ont.—The County Council have adopted a by-law to raise \$50,000 for the continuance of the bridge building programme.

FIRES.

Canning, N.S.—The business section of this town was badly damaged by fire. The loss is estimated at \$100,000.

Montreal, P.Q.—A section of the pavement on Sherbrooke Street gave way beneath a steam roller weighing twelve tons engulfing the machine to a considerable depth. This is the third time that a similar accident has happened on this street, an automobile and a steam wagon being in the former mishaps.

North Toronto.—Mr. E. A. James, engineer of this municipality, has prepared the following estimates as a guide to the ratepayers voting on the question of double tracking the lines of the Metropolitan Railway:—Storm sewer, \$25,000; curbing both sides, \$14,520; paving, \$155,200; special foundation under rails, \$72,000; total, \$266,720.

Toronto, Ont.—At the meeting of the Ontario Municipal Association which met in this city last week, Mayor George H. Lees, of Hamilton, was elected president of the association. Other officers were elected as follows: Vice-presidents, J. G. Richter, London; W. A. Clarke, York Township; Mayor G. J. Thorp, Guelph; R. C. Chown, Belleville; and W. Lane, Goderich; secretary-treasurer, K. W. McKay, St. Thomas; Executive Committee, Mayor Geary, Toronto; Mayor Lemon, Owen Sound; W. B. Doherty, St. Thomas; City Solicitor Wm. Johnstone, Toronto; F. R. Waddell, K.C., Hamilton; J. H. Dewey, Brockville; A. K. Bunnell, Brantford; Dr. Fairbank, Petrolia; S. Baker, London; S. R. Armstrong, Peterboro; S. H. Kent, Hamilton, and W. C. Campbell, St. Thomas.

TRADE ENQUIRIES.

The following were among the inquiries relating to Canadian trade received at the office of the High Commissioner for Canada, 17 Victoria Street, London, S.W., during the week ending June 10th, 1912:—

A Manchester firm of printing, stationery and advertising contractors are desirous of acting for Canadian firms who may wish to open business in Great Britain.

An Australian merchant house at present importing large quantities of United States goods of various descriptions, is prepared to do business with Canadian manufacturers.

A London correspondent desires to obtain agencies for the sale of Canadian goods.

A London firm make inquiry for the names of Canadian manufacturers of baking powder open to import supplies of tartaric acid, cream of tartar and citric acid.

A German firm interested in a patent potato digging machine desire to appoint reliable Canadian agents.

From the branch for city trade inquiries, 73 Basinghall Street, E.C.:—

A London company manufacturing athletic goods, and also leather travelling bags and trunks, and similar lines, are desirous of finding a resident Canadian representative to act for them upon a commission basis.

CANADIAN NORTHERN RAILWAY WORK FOR 1912.

The following is an itemized list of the principal works on the construction programme of the Canadian Northern Railway:

- Number of miles to be started this year, 1,053 miles.
- Location of lines in actual construction this year:
 - Montreal to Hawkesbury, 58 miles.
 - Ottawa to Ottawa River, 32 miles.
 - West from Ruel, Ont., 100 miles.
 - East from Port Arthur, 108 miles.
 - Branch lines, and extensions in Alberta and Saskatchewan, 400 miles.
 - British Columbia, 75 miles.
 - Sydenham, Ont., to Ottawa, 80 miles.
 - Relaying track on main line west, 200 miles.
- Approximate number of men employed on construction, about 20,000.
- Approximate amount of steel required for new tracks this year, 125,000,000 pounds.
- Amount of new equipment to be installed this year, estimated cost, \$8,000,000 to \$9,000,000, including 130 engines, 4,050 box cars, 1,184 flat cars, 400 convertible construction cars, 70 cabooses, 6 snow plows, 1 rotary plow, 82 passenger cars, 35 mail and baggage cars, 3 dining cars, 4 parlor cars, 16 sleepers.