

stood that the Stratford Amusement Company, of which Mr. Fred. J. Carrie is president, will erect an opera house in the spring. The city council are asked to exempt the property from taxation.

DARTMOUTH, N. S.—A committee has been appointed by the town council to report upon the advisability of purchasing the Reform Club hall for a town hall, also as to the cost of remodelling same.

ST. MARY'S, ONT.—The Town Council have instructed the Road and Bridge Committee to prepare plans and specifications for a bridge on Water street, with stone abutments and steel superstructure.

PONTIAC, QUE.—It is rumored that a branch railway will be built to the Grand Calumet Mining Company's property on Calumet Island, thence across the Roche Fondu and up the Ontario shore to Pembroke.

TILBURY, ONT.—The trustees of School Section No. 13 will erect a new school building, of brick, 46 x 30 feet, with seating accommodation for 80 pupils. J. W. Fleming and Wm. Doolittle are members of the building committee.

KINGSTON, ONT.—The Board of Trade and City Council have passed resolutions requesting the Dominion government to proceed without delay with the work of dredging the harbor and the placing of buoys in the old ship canal.

AVLMER, QUE.—The Victoria Hotel Company will build an annex to the hotel, giving twenty-eight new bed rooms and accommodation for bowling alleys and servants' apartments. A \$12,000 water chute will also be built in the spring.

PEMBROKE, ONT.—Wm. Russell & Company, who have the contract for the construction of the Pembroke Southern railway, expect to commence work at an early date. Considerable building material will be required for this contract.

GATINEAU POINT, QUE.—The citizens are discussing the question of using six-inch pipes for the water works system, the contract for which has been given to Smith & Co. The matter will probably be submitted to a vote of the ratepayers.

DESCHENES MILLS, QUE.—The Deschenes Electric Light Company are having plans prepared for a dam to be built at Deschenes rapids, which will furnish 3,000 horse power. The contract will be let in a few days for the erection of a power house.

BARRIE, ONT.—Thos. Kennedy & Company are receiving tenders for the remodelling of Frawley & Devlin's store in Orillia, which was recently partially destroyed by fire. The work will consist of new flooring, counters, shelving, office, plate glass front, etc.

HULL, QUE.—Several local capitalists contemplate building a woollen mill in this city, to cost \$25,000. The necessary capital has been subscribed.—It is rumored that the Canadian Rubber Company, of Montreal, contemplate erecting a branch factory in this city.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The British Columbia Gold Trust Company have purchased property on Granville street, and will, it is said, erect a brick block costing in the neighborhood of \$100,000.—It is probable that a railway will be built along the Skeena river to the Omineca country.

NORTH BAY, ONT.—The town is offering for sale \$8,500 of consolidated debentures, bearing interest at 5 per cent. Tenders close February 11th. W. J. Small, chairman Finance Committee.—The Roman Catholic congregation have purchased a site on which to erect a new church building.

VICTORIA, B. C.—The Victoria-Yukon Trading Company, Ltd., has been incorporated, to engage in lumbering, mining, etc. The company is capitalized at \$100,000.—The Mayor, in his inaugural

address, pointed out that the sum of \$13,000 would be required this year for completing the reservoir.

RAT PORTAGE, ONT.—As soon as spring opens, work will commence upon the new waterworks system.—Messrs. F. Fraser, J. Sydham, A. Boyer and A. Taschereau, government engineers, are now making a survey of the Rainy river from Long Sault to Fort Frances, with the object of proceeding with the improvement of navigation.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—No decision has as yet been reached regarding the tenders for furnishing an electric light plant. An electrical expert will be engaged to report thereon.—The accommodation in the city hall has been found inadequate, and an architect will be engaged to inspect the building with a view to making alterations.—The Hudson's Bay Company will shortly build at Winnipegosis.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The City Hall Committee have reported in favor of plan No. 3 for the better sanitation of the city hall. The cost of carrying out the work is estimated at \$8,000.—A. J. Corriveau gives notice of application for incorporation of the Montreal and Champlain Canal Company, to construct a canal from the St. Lawrence to the Rochelieu river, a distance of 18 miles. The company will have a capital of \$6,000,000.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—H. H. Mott, architect, is receiving tenders for the erection of a dwelling house for C. H. Peters.—The Board of Safety will ask the city council for authority to call for tenders for a hose wagon.—Tenders for 20,000 square yards of cedar blocks, 5,000 square yards of Princess pine blocks, and 5,000 lineal feet of granite curbing, have been invited by A. Chipman Smith, Director Public Works Department.

WABIGOON, ONT.—The Rainy River and Ontario Exploration Company, which was recently organized in London, Eng., with a capital of £150,000, will erect several quite important buildings at this place.—H. Ferguson, C. P. R. inspector of bridges and buildings, is making surveys for the new docks at this place. It is anticipated that work will commence in the spring. The docks will be 16 feet wide and 200 feet long, and will be supported on six stone filled curbs.

CHATHAM, ONT.—T. J. Rutley, architect, has in hand the erection of a brick residence on William street.—The House of Industry Committee have accepted the plans of Powell & Carswell, architects, of Stratford, for the proposed House of Refuge. Seven sets of plans were received.—Applications are wanted by W. G. Merritt, City Clerk, for the position of city engineer, to take charge of the public works, electric light plant and water works. The date limit is February 15.

BROCKVILLE, ONT.—The Bohemian Amateur Athletic Association purpose building a club house. Tenders for the erection of same close on February 15. John B. Hart, secretary.—Mr. W. R. Gardner, of Sherbrooke, Que., was recently in town endeavoring to form a company to manufacture electric light carbons.—The Brockville & New York Bridge Co. are applying for permission to extend the time for the completion of their works, and to change the name of the company to the Brockville & St. Lawrence Bridge Company.

QUEBEC, QUE.—Mr. McDonald, of Montreal, will probably erect a pulp mill at St. Joseph d'Alma, utilizing the water power owned by Narcisse Garipey, of Bay St. Paul.—F. Goudreau, Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries, has invited tenders for repairs to the steamship "La Canadienne."—Berlinguet & Lemay, architects, have been commissioned by the Prince Edward Island government to prepare plans for complete repairs at the

Falkenwood asylum.—The plans of the proposed Quebec bridge have been completed by Mr. E. A. Hoare, C. E., and forwarded to the Railway Committee of the Privy Council for approval.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Frank E. Walker has purchased property on King street east, adjoining the Victoria hotel. It is said he will erect a furniture warehouse thereon.—Charles Mills has taken out a permit for a pair of two story brick dwellings on Robinson street, between Bay and Caroline streets, to cost \$3,000.—At the meeting of the Board of Works on Monday last, Chairman Dunn suggested that the committee should get a special appropriation for renewing the city roads, many of which are in bad condition. He favored macadam pavements.—It was decided to join with the County Council to compel the G. T. R. to lower and widen its bridge over the Guelph and London branch.

LONDON, ONT.—It is probable that a new municipal building will be erected, to be used for both city and county purposes. The question is now under consideration by the city council. The City Engineer has received instructions to have the damaged portions of the old city hall repaired.—E. Fitzgerald will erect two brick stores on Dufferin ave.—St. Andrew's church congregation have decided upon extensive improvements, including a new school building and church officer's house, to cost \$9,000, and the renovation of the church, to cost \$5,000.—Westland Bros. have taken out a building permit for a frame cottage on Garfield ave., to cost \$800.—The City Engineer has been instructed to call for tenders for pipe laying to be done during the coming season.

BRANDON, MAN.—Considerable building will be commenced in the early spring. F. Nation will erect a large business block, from plans prepared by W. H. Shillinglaw, architect. McLeod & Hanley will erect an implement warehouse on 9th street, Sifton & Hellyar will build a similar block on same street, and directly opposite Zink Bros. will erect a substantial double tenement brick dwelling house. Thompson & Co., marble dealers, will probably build commodious premises on 8th street, and I. R. Strome contemplates putting up a brick block, corner 7th street and Rosser ave. In addition to the above, the Methodists have decided to construct a church, to cost \$30,000. There are also several railway schemes talked of, some of which may be carried out.

TORONTO, ONT.—Mr. Geo. M. Wrong, 469 Jarvis street, has taken tenders for the erection of buildings for the Haver-gal Ladies College. G. M. Miller & Co. are the architects.—J. Francis Brown, architect, is about to let tenders for the remodelling of the premises of A. J. H. Eckhardt, on the Esplanade.—Robert Davies will make improvements in Victoria Park next season, including the erection of several summer cottages.—Mrs. T. H. Ball has donated the sum of \$2,000 for the building and furnishing of a cottage at the Sanitorium, Grayenhurst.—Ald. Lamb is promoting a scheme for the utilization of the sand bar south of Ashbridge's Bay as a recreation ground. He proposes to build a bridge over McNamee's cut, at Cherry street.—Building permits have been granted as follows. N. W. Williamson, 1885 Queen street east, factory on Eastern ave., near Water street, cost \$3,500; Separate School Board, new school on south side McDonnell square, cost \$5,500; M. S. Kellow, two dwellings, Nos. 50 and 52 Howland ave., cost \$5,000; Mrs. H. Baker, Springhurst ave., two-story brick dwelling, west side Rusholme road, south of Bloor street, cost \$1,500; Dr. Norman Allen, Carlton street, pair 2-story attached brick stores, 721 and 723 Queen street east, cost \$2,500.—The rate-