

mediately to enlarge their works and increase their plant.—The Georgian Bay Portland Cement Company, of which Mr. M. Kennedy is president, and Mr. J. W. Maitland secretary-treasurer, purpose erecting cement works on the Poulson property. Kilns will be erected capable of turning out 125 barrels of cement per day. The machinery for the plant has not yet been purchased.

STRATFORD, ONT.—The town council is considering the question of constructing permanent sidewalks.—H. J. Powell, architect, of this city, is preparing plans for the following buildings: Roman Catholic church in Logan; presbytery at Seaford for Father McCabe; residences for A. Lupton, of Harmony, R. M. Taylor, of Port Dover, and Isaac Usher, of Thorold; combined office and residence for Dr. J. A. Robertson, of this city.

QUEBEC, QUE.—Mr. Talbot, M.P. for Bellechasse, has asked the provincial government to grant financial aid towards an abattoir scheme, promoted by English capitalists. The project includes the establishment of a system of abattoirs at Levis.—It is stated that the Dominion government have agreed to include in the estimates of 1899 an appropriation of \$1,000,000 towards the cost of the proposed bridge over the St. Lawrence between Quebec and Levis.

KINGSTON, ONT.—The subscriptions towards the restoration of St. George's cathedral now amount to over \$9,000. The church will be built in a very substantial manner.—Mr. Chadwick hopes that the promoters of the proposed summer hotel will be in a position to commence building operations early in the spring.—The American Boot and Shoe Company will be offered a free site and exemption from taxation for ten years, to establish a factory here.—It is stated that the Oshawa Loan Company, owners of the Grand opera house, recently burned, will not rebuild.

LONDON, ONT.—No. 2 committee of the city council has passed a resolution in favor of selling the old city hall and erecting a new building, to be used for city and county purposes. The proposal has not met with the approval of the city council.—The dynamos for the new hospital building have not yet been purchased. There is a possibility that the contract for lighting the hospital will be given to the London Electric Company.—The city engineer has issued a building permit for a \$3,000 boiler house at the new cold storage building.—The McClary Manufacturing Company have taken out a building permit for a five-storey brick warehouse on York street, plans for which were prepared by Moore & Henry, architects.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The superintendent of the House of Refuge has asked for the following improvements: Repairs to the hot water tanks, some changes in the heating of the house for incurables, a new hot water boiler, and the erection of a verandah.—The Young Women's Christian Association are making a vigorous effort to secure the necessary funds for the erection of a technical school.—The Bell Telephone Company is considering the question of extending its underground system of telegraph wires.—The building inspector has asked the Market Committee for an appropriation of \$1,050 for painting the city hall, market building, jail, and stores on James street owned by the corporation.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—The Canadian Northern Railway Company is seeking authority from the Dominion government to build a line of railway from Lake Winnipegosis to Edmonton.—Mr. Macdonnell, chief engineer of the Public Works Department of Manitoba, has made a survey of the Big Grass marsh, north of Gladstone, with a view to estimating the cost of draining the area.—Hon. Robert Watson, Minister of Pub-

lic Works, returned to the city last week from the Dauphin district, where he arranged for the construction of two bridges over the Valley river. Mr. Watson also intended to arrange for the construction of bridges over the Swan and Rolling rivers, but found that he was unable to do so on account of the railway company not having located their town site. The bridges will, however, be built before the rivers break up in the spring.

CHATHAM, ONT.—Henry Stephens, of Harwich, has purchased property on King street west on which he intends building a residence.—T. J. Rutley, architect, wants tenders by Saturday of this week for the erection of a brick residence in Chatham township, with stone foundation, slate roof, and hot air furnace.—A. B. McCoy, Box 373, desires tenders by Monday, January 30th, for building two brick veneer residences, including hot air heating and plumbing. Plans at office of T. J. Rutley, architect.—G. S. Johnson, general manager of the Consolidated Street Railway Company, of Grand Rapids, Mich., estimates the cost of the proposed electric railway from Thamesville to Rondeau at \$258,000.—Westman Brothers are about to commence the erection of a double dwelling on King street west.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Fire Committee will ask the city council for an appropriation to purchase a new water tower.—Atwater & Duclos, solicitors, 151 St. James street, desire to secure, for a client, a suitable building site, comprising from 5 to 10 acres.—The Canadian Pacific Railway is buying land on the south side of the tracks between the Windsor station and Atwater avenue, the intention being to extend the terminal facilities of the road.—The rumor is again current that a new post office building is to be erected in this city. It is understood that all the proprietors of the block of land bounded by Graig, St. James, and St. Gabriel streets and St. Lambert's Hill have sent options upon their properties to the government.—Mr. Champagne, city boiler inspector, has submitted a report to the Water Department condemning the boiler at the Upper Level pumping station, and recommending that new boilers be purchased immediately.

VICTORIA, B.C.—The city will invite tenders immediately for the annual supply of lumber, nails, oil, brick, cement and castings.—Mr. Hutchison, superintendent of the electric light plant, has recommended the extension of the station building.—At a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Jubilee Hospital, a committee was appointed to devise ways and means for the erection of a children's ward, a residence for the medical health officer, an addition to the nurses' ward, and for the completion of the sewerage system.—Mayor Redfern, in his inaugural address, referred to the necessity of constructing permanent pavements and of carrying out improvements to the harbor. In connection with the waterworks system, he stated that the completion of the reservoir should be undertaken at once. The Water Commissioner, he said, had prepared estimates for putting down a 24-inch pipe on Saanich road, giving the cost as \$5,000. He thought it would be advisable for the council to erect a new home for the aged and infirm, and to have plans prepared at once for a new fire hall in the east end and for alterations to the hall on Yates street. He further recommended that a more modern system of heating be introduced into the city hall.

TORONTO, ONT.—The members of St. Mary's church, Bathurst street, have decided to build a parish hall, with gymnasium and other equipment. The sum of \$3,000 has already been subscribed towards the project.—The city will ask power from the Ontario Legislature to

issue debentures for \$88,000 to complete the new city hall.—The Finch Wood Preserve and Paint Co. have purchased property on Atlantic ave., Parkdale, on which they purpose building a three-storey brick factory.—Messrs. Chadwick & Beckett, architects, Saturday Night Building, want tenders by 5 p.m. on Thursday, 26th inst., for carpenter and heating work and felt roofing of building for the Toronto Poultry and Garden Produce Company.—The Macdonald Manufacturing Company, in a communication to the Assessment Commissioner, place the cost of their proposed factory on Peter street at \$32,000. The company are making certain financial arrangements preliminary to the erection of the building.—The trustees of Knox Church have applied to the provincial legislature for permission to sell the present property and remove to a site further up town.—Property holders on Grenville street have asked the city engineer to make an estimate of the cost of a macadam roadway on that street.—Mr. Williams, city bridge engineer, will shortly commence the preparation of plans for the proposed bridge over the Don at King street. It is the intention to prepare complete plans only of the stone piers and cribwork. For the bridge superstructure the builders will be asked to submit competitive tenders on their own plans.—The Board of Control has decided to invite competitive plans for the proposed improvements to the St. Lawrence market. The Board has also decided to ask for power to spend \$75,000 on the erection of a Technical School building.—A building permit has been granted to Caleb Evans for a brick and stone dwelling, 209 St. George street, cost \$7,000.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The Ottawa Electric Railway Company has made application to the Dominion Government for permission to extend its line to Bell's Corners.—The County of Carleton Argicultural Society will likely take steps at an early date to enlarge its buildings at Richmond.—Building permits were last week issued as follows: Alfred Slack, brick veneered house on Lewis street, cost \$1,500; Jas. S. Wilson, brick veneered double tenement house on Second avenue, cost \$1,800; Holtby & Shears, brick veneered dwelling on Hickey street, cost \$1,100.—It is understood that the Grand Union Hotel is to be remodelled, at a cost of \$5,000. An additional storey will be added to the western and southern extensions.—Chas. Macnab, county clerk, wants tenders by to-day (Wednesay) for the supply of 100 toise of limestone.—A real estate dealer states that fully thirty new residences will be erected on the Glebe during the coming summer.—The Board of Works has concurred in the recommendation of Ald. Davidson to purchase a stone crusher.—Ald. Butler, Chairman of the Property Committee, will recommend some improvements in the city hall. He proposes to erect a glass partition upstairs, between the committee room and that of the secretary of the Public School Board, and to make other interior changes.—The City Engineer had a conference last week with representatives of the Canada Atlantic Railway and the Public Works Department in reference to the new Maria street bridge. The plans were definitely decided upon and will be prepared at once. The new bridge will be 54 feet wide, of steel, with solid metallic floor carrying a bed of concrete. On top of this will be a scoria block pavement. The canal will be spanned by a circular arch 70 feet in length. The steel structure will be 400 feet long, and outside of the two abutments will be supported over the railway tracks on the east side by columns; estimated cost, \$40,000.—The directors of the Central Canada Fair purpose building a horticultural hall near the Elgin street entrance to the exhibition grounds.—The question of erecting either