

for constructing a trotting track. O. C. Goggin is secretary of a company formed for the purpose.

VICTORIA, B.C.—A by-law is now before the city council to raise \$75,000 for macadamising streets and \$25,000 for permanent sidewalks.

SHAWVILLE, QUE.—Provincial government engineers are surveying the route of the proposed railway from Portage du Fort to this place, a distance of 12 miles.

HULL, QUE.—The city solicitor has been instructed to prepare a by-law to be submitted to the ratepayers to raise the sum of \$50,000 for waterworks extension.

WOODSTOCK, ONT.—The fire-hall and market improvement by-laws were defeated on August 6th.—Plans have been prepared for a skating rink to be erected this fall.

ST. JOHN, N.B.—Messrs. Mooney have purchased property at Mispic, and will, it is rumored, erect a pulp mill there.—The city is being urged to erect a public abattoir.

LISTOWEL, ONT.—A by-law to provide for electric lighting and waterworks was defeated recently.—The High School Board wants tenders for constructing 800 feet of granolithic walk.

CHATHAM, ONT.—The Essex Standard Gas Co. and the Chatham Natural Gas Co. each desire a franchise from the city to furnish natural gas. The former propose to pipe the city from Kingsville.

KINGSTON, ONT.—The Queen City Oil Company are making arrangements to erect a large oil storehouse.—Steps are being taken by the Board of Trade to secure the erection of a summer hotel.

MCADAM JUNCTION, N.B.—The civil engineer of the C.P.R. is laying out and drawing plans of lots for a number of new cottages soon to be erected for railway employees.—J. Gardiner contemplates erecting a dwelling house and store.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—The builders of the Crow's Nest Pass railway will have twenty-seven bridges to construct over the Old Man's river within thirty-five miles of Lethbridge.—Blackwood Bros. will not erect their new brewery until next spring.

LINDSAY, ONT.—T. Matchett, Clerk of Victoria county, wants tenders by August 13th for bridge and approaches at Pigeon creek, including steel superstructure. Length of approaches, to be stone filled, is, approximately, 590 feet; length of bridge, 50 feet.

SIMCOE, ONT.—Oliver Austin will receive tenders until the 14th inst. for plumbing and heating of the Industrial School and for carpenter and mason work of proposed improvements. Plans may be seen at the office of C. C. Fairchild, County Engineer.

KASLO, B.C.—A petition will be presented to council requesting that a by-law be submitted to raise \$12,000 for grading streets, laying sidewalks and building a bridge across Kaslo creek. It is also urged that further expenditure be made to provide a sewerage system.

PERTH, ONT.—A company has been formed, with a capital of \$50,000, to construct waterworks in this town. In the company are Hon. John Haggart, Sandford Fleming, Jr., W. A. Allan, R. G. Cole and A. Charlebois. The contract to put in the system will likely be awarded in a few days.

PEMBROKE, ONT. The Provincial board of Health have approved of the plans prepared by Mr. W. C. Brough for a sewerage system. Wm. Russell, C.E., has begun the survey of the proposed Pembroke Southern Railway. The company hope to have the road in operation in one year.

QUEBEC, QUE.—The Academy of Music will probably be remodelled.—Ber-

linguet & Lemay, architects, are preparing plans for a small chapel to be erected for the Rev. Dr. Doyle at Vernon river, Prince Edward Island. Same architects have also prepared plans for the Fifteen Point church.

FERGUS, ONT.—Plans have been adopted for the new Melville church, which will have seating accommodation for 800 persons. The building is to be faced with Credit Valley brown stone, with light colored cut stone at the corners and around the doors and windows; estimated cost, \$10,000.

RAT PORTAGE, ONT.—Colonel Engle-due, manager of the Ontario Gold Mining Company, will shortly erect a residence.—J. K. Brydon, town clerk, will receive offers until Monday, 23rd inst., for constructing about 4,600 feet of pipe sewers in this town.—The by-law to raise funds for a waterworks system is being advertised. The cost of the work is placed at \$75,000.

STRATFORD, ONT.—The city council have passed the following resolution: "That a system of sewage disposal combining precipitation of the solids in the sewage, supplemented by prepared filter beds, will best answer the conditions existing in this city; and it is hereby recommended that the engineer be instructed to prepare plans and estimates of the cost of a system of sufficient capacity on the above lines."

LONDON, ONT.—Moore & Henry, architects, are taking tenders this week for erecting a frame cottage for the Water Commissioners. Same architects have prepared plans for an addition to the hospital.—Herbert Matthews, architect, is taking tenders for the erection of the new York street Methodist church.—J. A. Matthews has been granted a building permit for a 1½-story brick veneered residence on William street, to cost \$1,200.—The proposal to construct an electric railway to Pottersburg is said to have collapsed.—The Verity Plow Company will probably erect a building to cost \$40,000.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Turgeon & Lafreniere are preparing plans for a house to be erected on Sherbrooke street. Tenders will be invited shortly.—Wright & Son, architects, have called for tenders for a warehouse to be built for Messrs. Warden King & Son.—L. R. Monbriant, architect, is taking tenders for a store and two dwellings to be erected on Amherst street, near Marie Anne, for Ald. L. Oumet.—Turgeon & Lafreniere are receiving tenders for nine tenements to be built on Marie Anne street.—S. Frappier, architect, is calling for tenders for two cottages to be built on St. George street, Montreal Annex, for J. O. R. & S. Frappier.—Sealed tenders will be received for the various trades required in restorations and additions to St. John Baptist church. Mr. Jos. Venne is the architect.

OTTAWA, ONT.—A largely signed petition has been presented to council for an asphalt pavement on Elgin street, from Wellington to Albert streets.—A movement is on foot to erect a hospital for incurables. Nearly \$4,000 has been subscribed.—The hospital board of St. Luke's Hospital have found that the tenders for the work on their new building are too high. The plans will be altered and new tenders called for.—A company is seeking incorporation to manufacture calcium carbide, the capital stock being \$11,000,000. Hon. A. G. Blair and Rufus Pope, M.P., are interested.—The Dominion Electric Heating and Supply Co. will probably build a factory in the near future.—Tenders for the erection of a fire station are wanted by the city clerk by Wednesday next, 13th inst. Plans at office of M. C. Edey, architect.—E. F. E. Roy, secretary Department of Public Works, will receive tenders until Tuesday, 24th inst., for a

steel roof on the west block of the Parliament buildings.

TORONTO, ONT.—E. J. Lennox, architect, has completed specifications for the hydraulic elevators, electric and gas fittings, electric clock work for tower and buildings, and a pneumatic system for the new City Hall building, and tenders for the work will shortly be taken.—Sufficiently signed petitions have been received by the city clerk against the following proposed local improvements: Cowan avenue, gravel roadway; Arthur street, macadam roadway; Front st., Yonge to Bay streets, sidewalk; Gwynne ave., gravel roadway; Fuller street, Queen street to Pearson avenue, gravel roadway.—Building permits have been granted as follows: Mulock, Miller & Crowther, alterations 279-283 Yonge st., cost \$2,000; E. F. Blake, addition to dwelling, 449 Jarvis st., cost \$3,000; R. M. & F. W. Gullett, pr. s.d. 2-story and attic bk. dwellings on Walker ave., cost \$3,000; T. Horton, 54 McDonald ave., one st. bk. cottage, east side Roncesvalles ave., cost \$1,800; D. M. Defoe, alterations 46 King st. e., cost \$1,600.

PETERBORO', ONT.—It is announced that a company of eastern capitalists are negotiating for the purchase of the Chemung and Lakefield lines of the Grand Trunk Railway, with the view of converting the roads into electric systems.—The Board of Directors of the Central Exhibition will take steps at once to erect new buildings on the Exhibition grounds.—A by-law has been introduced in council authorizing the construction of sewers as follows: Section No. 1—4,030 feet of 15-inch pipe and 1,960 feet of 12-inch pipe on Aylmer street, 253 feet of 9-inch pipe on Charlotte street, 475 feet of 9-inch pipe on Simcoe, 220 feet of 9-inch pipe on Hunter street, 426 feet of 9-inch pipe on Brock street, 370 feet of 9-inch pipe on Murray street, and 370 feet of 9-inch pipe on McDonnell street. Section No. 2—4,132 feet of 12-inch pipe on Stewart street, 910 feet of 15-inch pipe on George street, 910 feet of 12-inch pipe on Water street, and 370 feet of 9-inch pipe on Murray street east.—Tenders are asked for a terrace of houses to be built on the new avenue.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The Board of Fire Underwriters recently notified the city authorities of their intention to increase the insurance rates 25 per cent., owing to lack of water pressure and insufficiency of ladders and hose. After consultation between the Board of Fire Underwriters and the city Board of Trade, the council has been recommended to purchase another fire engine, an ample supply of hose, an additional 65 foot ladder, increase the height of the stand-pipe, and do away with dead ends in water mains. The matter is now under consideration by the council.—The City Engineer has decided to recommend to the Sewers Committee that an incinerator to burn rubbish be placed in the sewage disposal works at the foot of Ferguson avenue. The cost will be about \$2,500.—The City Engineer favors the use of brick for street pavements.—E. B. Patterson has taken out a permit for a store and dwelling on Cannon street, to cost \$2,250.—Manager Stair and architect Mills will visit American cities to get pointers on improvements for the Grand opera house.

FIRES.

The convent at Longueuil, Que., belonging to the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, has been damaged by fire to the extent of \$3,000.—Wm. Schofield's residence at Port Colborne, Ont., was burned last week.—The Park Theatre at Springbank, Ont., was recently destroyed by fire.—The tannery of Frank Moseley at St. Hyacinthe, Que., was destroyed by fire on August 4th, at a loss of