

PETERBORO, ONT.

The board of works is considering the use of asphaltic oil on the streets. R. H. Parsons, City Engineer.

MONTREAL, QUE.

A report was presented to the board of control from Mr. Barlow, superintendent of roads, asking for slightly over \$200,000 for repairs to roadways and sidewalks of Montreal.

WALKERTON, ONT.

The contract for road oil for this year was awarded to the Imperial Oil Company, at 6 cents per gallon.

RESIGNATION.

F. McArthur has resigned his position as city engineer of Regina, Sask. L. A. Thornton is now both city commissioner and city engineer.

A GENTLEMAN.

The mark of a man of the world is absence of pretension. He does not make a speech, he takes a low business tone, avoids all brag, promises not at all, performs much.—Emerson.

PAN AMERICAN ROAD CONGRESS.

Preliminary plans were completed at a meeting in Montpelier, Vt., last Thursday the 18th inst. for what promises to be the largest gathering of good roads advocates ever held. This meeting will be held at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, and will be known as the Pan-American Road Congress. It will be under the joint auspices of the American Road Builders' Association, and the American Highway Association. The tentative date selected is that of the week of September 6th.

The plans for the forthcoming congress will be handled by an executive committee of five. This committee is made up of Governor Charles W. Gates of Vermont, Chairman; W. W. Crosby, former State Highway Engineer of Maryland and E. L. Powers, Editor of "Good Roads," representing the American Road Builders' Association, and James H. MacDonald, former State Highway Commissioner of Connecticut, and J. E. Pennybacker, Chief, Division of Economics, U. S. Office of Public Roads, representing the American Highway Association.

LARGE ORDER FOR LONDON FIRM.

The city of Winnipeg is spending \$4,000,000.00 during the year 1915 on the construction of an aqueduct eighty miles long connecting Winnipeg with Shoal Lake. This project is known as the "Winnipeg Great Waterway." The aqueduct is constructed entirely of cement and is one of the largest undertakings in cement up to the present within the Dominion of Canada.

This aqueduct will be used to supply water to the City of Winnipeg and is constructed in the form of a large egg-shaped pipe averaging about twelve feet in diameter on the inside. This enormous concrete pipe will be carried a distance of eighty miles through marsh, hills and rocks, and is considered one of the greatest pieces of engineering yet attempted within the province of Manitoba.

The contract for the greater portion of the work has been let to a new firm known as the Winnipeg Aqueduct Company, Ltd., formed by the amalgamation of the Northern Construction Co., and Carter, Hall and Aldinger. The Winnipeg Aqueduct Company called for tenders for 6% yard batch concrete mixers. Practically every firm in Canada and the United States tendered for the order. The entire order, amounting to about \$8,000.00 was let to the London Concrete Machinery Company.

TAXING IMPROVEMENTS.

Mayor Church favors the taxing of improvements on a lower basis than land. This is so eminently sound and has been so long and so fully discussed that argument is unnecessary. There should be no difficulty about securing the necessary authority from the Ontario Government.—Toronto Globe.

LEARN TO WORK INTENSELY.

It is a good rule to endeavor, hour by hour, and week after week, to learn to work hard. It is not well to take four minutes to do what you can accomplish in three. It is well to learn to work intensely.—Charles W. Eliot.

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