

City Council to prepare a by-law for submission to the ratepayers to raise the sum of \$20,000 for erecting a new school building.

CHATHAM, N. B.—Adams & Co., of New York, who have purchased the property of the St. Lawrence Lumber Co., will build a railway from the Caraquet line to Tracadie. Subsidies for this branch are available.

QUEBEC, QUE.—W. A. Marsh contemplates erecting a shoe factory on St. Ours street.—A deputation from this city has requested the Dominion Government to grant aid towards the St. John railway and for building a wharf at Chicoutimi.

SAULT STE. MARIE, ONT.—It is said that the largest paper mill in the world will be erected here by the Sault Ste. Marie Pulp & Paper Co., of which Messrs. Drexel, Morgan & Co. are the backers. Orders for machinery are already placed.

BLENHAM, ONT.—The plans of J. T. Wilson, architect, of Chatham, have been adopted by the Board of Directors for the new Presbyterian church.—Mr. Wilson will call for tenders in a few days for the erection of a combined town and fire hall.

BRANTFORD, ONT.—The Provincial Board of Health has recommended improvements to the water supply, among which are the following: construct a tile drain to the outlet of the creek, and place at mouth of creek a dam with a culvert to allow the flood waters to flow off.

RENFREW, ONT.—The Council has purchased a site for the proposed hospital.—Messrs. John Ferguson, M. P., M. J. O'Brien and A. M. Campbell, electrical engineer of Kingston, last week inspected the proposed railway route from Portage du Fort to this town, and the water power of the Ottawa river in that neighborhood.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The City Council have approved of the proposal of G. T. Moncton, to establish a smelter and refining works in this city, and a by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers to grant him a bonus. The total cost of the works is to be between \$350,000 and \$400,000, the most expensive part being the refinery.

ST. HENRI, QUE.—The Town Council has decided on several improvements to the public buildings, among which are the enlargement of the town hall, the transformation of Chief Massey's former residence with a recorder's court and sleeping room for firemen and the erection of new stables and prison cells. The work will cost upwards of \$10,000.

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—The electric railway agreement will be considered at a council meeting to be held this week.—Mr. Owen McKay, assistant engineer of the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railroad is surveying a line about two miles in length, connecting the C. P. R. with the L. E. & D. R. R. The two companies will, it is understood, use the one station.

WALLACEBURG, ONT.—The Sydenham Glass Co. will rebuild their warehouse at once, the new building to be larger than the former one.—The town will soon become incorporated and the waterworks question will be revived by the next council. They will issue debentures in a short time.—Chas. Chubb will rebuild his residence which was destroyed by fire recently.

LINDSAY, ONT.—Mr. R. P. Fairburn, of the Ontario Public Works Department, has taken measurements connected with the proposed enlargement of the basin at the Lindsay street swing bridge, the work having been petitioned for by the town and county councils. It is expected an appropriation will be placed in next years estimates.—John Dovey has decided not to rebuild his saw mill until the spring.

CHATHAM, ONT.—The Chatham Gas

and Electric Co. propose putting in new machines and engines and remodeling their plant in the spring.—The County Council of Kent have the erection of a House of Refuge under consideration. They will put an addition to the jail and put in a better system of heating.—The city will lay about four miles of granolithic walk next year.—The northerly approach to the 6th street bridge, will have to be repaired in the spring.—C. R. Oldershaw, architect, has prepared plans which have been accepted for a new 16 roomed public school, brick, electric bells, hot air heating, etc. Cost \$30,000.

BROCKVILLE, ONT.—A new school building is to be erected on the site of the present James street school, and at the last meeting of the School Board a committee was appointed, consisting of Dr. Horton, A. A. Davis, Samuel Simpson, John M. Gill and John Menish, to procure plans and estimates for a four roomed two-storey building with all modern conveniences and appliances, and to report thereon at next board meeting.—W. H. Comstock will erect a new residence in the east end. It will be 41 x 47 feet, with large wing, two stories and mansard roof. The first of cut stone and the second of brick.—A. D. Young has purchased a lot on which to build.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The Hamilton Radial Railway Co. has given notice that application will be made to Parliament for power to extend the Guelph branch to Lake Huron.—W. Stewart, architect, has prepared plans for the new Collegiate Institute and Normal school. The building will be 250 ft. x 150 ft., three storeys, with wings at both sides and clock tower in center, built of brick, with brown stone trimmings. It will contain amphitheatre, principal's room, large class rooms, gymnasium, lavatories, chemical and physical laboratories, museum, assembly hall, etc. A committee has been appointed to visit Pittsburg and examine a new system of heating in the schools there.—The petition for the deepening of the Beach canal has been referred to the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—The erection of warehouses and other landing facilities for the Beaver line is to be proceeded with at once at Sand Point.—An iron bridge has just been completed, under the plans and superintendence of City Engineer Peters, over Newman's brook. Span 90 feet, 2 roadways of 12 feet wide each and a sidewalk 6 feet wide, bowstring girders. Cost \$2,315 with \$400 additional for six granite piers for ends of girders. The engineer has now in course of erection a wooden warehouse, 300 x 70 on the Furness line wharf, cost about \$5,000.—It is the intention of the School Board to invite competitive plans from architects for the new high school building. It will be of brick, three stories with mansard roof. Details will shortly be decided on.

OTTAWA, ONT.—No decision has as yet been arrived at by the C. P. R. authorities regarding the rebuilding of their depot, but it is anticipated that steps will be taken at once to rebuild.—The statement has been made that a Masonic temple was to be erected on Queen street, but prominent members of the order state that nothing definite has been arrived at owing to the question of finances.—A. McNaughton proposes to erect a brick veneered house, on First avenue, and Wm. Stewart, four framed dwellings on same street. P. Roy is also about to build on Second ave.—Plans are being prepared by the Department of Public Works for the new reformatory at Alexandria. These are for the wing of the establishment that is to be built by contract. When this portion has been completed, the remainder of the buildings will be constructed by convict labor.—The petition for the paving of Sussex street has

been sufficiently signed.—It is the intention of the Ottawa Electric Railway Co. to erect in the spring at Hintonburg, a large new building for theatre purposes. The site will be on the land known as Holland's Grove.—A new church is to be erected by the congregation of McLeod street church, for which \$7,000 has already been subscribed.—John Henderson, City Clerk, invites tenders until the 28th inst., for the purchase of \$172,889.67 worth of corporation debentures.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Dominion Cotton Mills Co. will place upon the market \$1,500,000 of 20 year 4½ per cent. debentures.—Application will be made to Parliament for an act extending the time within which the South Western Railway Company may complete their line.—Mr. J. C. Wilson, the well-known paper manufacturer, has offered to contribute \$5,000 towards an institution for the technical education of working men in Montreal, providing the city and Government contribute the balance required to erect and equip the school.—The Dominion Government is said to be negotiating with a prominent contractor here to build a telegraph line from Boone Bay, Newfoundland, to the straits of Belle Isle, a distance of 200 miles. It is likely the scheme will be carried out next season.—The Road Committee has given notice that a sewer will be constructed on St. Patrick st., from Dargenson st. westward.

TORONTO, ONT.—An influential deputation waited upon the Provincial Government last week requesting that an extension of time be granted the C. P. R. in which to complete two sections of the Montreal and Ottawa railway running through the counties of Russell and Prescott. The Government promised the usual consideration.—A meeting of the directors of the Dominion Cold Storage Co. was held here last week, at which it was decided to at once construct the warehouses in Montreal, Toronto and Brantford, and to erect a complete system of warehouses throughout the Dominion. Among the promoters of the company are Dr. Sylvester, of Toronto, and D. M. McPherson, of Lancaster.—The Toronto Electric Light Company are about to erect a new arc lighting station to cost about \$20,000. The building will be constructed of brick and iron.—The fifty-eighth annual report of the House of Industry, recently issued, calls attention to the necessity for increased accommodation.—The foundation for the Cobban Mfg. Co.'s new building on the Esplanade will be commenced this week, and building operations will be commenced in the early spring.—The City Council has resolved to construct a new intake pipe across the bay to replace the present wooden conduit, and tenders will likely be invited next week for the work, which it is estimated will cost \$75,000. Estimates will be asked for both iron and steel pipe.—Mr. Mansergh, C. E., has completed the surveys necessary for his report on the waterworks system, after having examined the different schemes under consideration. His report will be presented about the end of January.—Tenders for furnishing one or more steam fire engines are invited by Geo. McMurrich, Chairman Fire and Light Committee, until Monday, the 2nd of December. The city will purchase one engine, and if the necessary funds are available the second one will probably be purchased. Specifications may be seen at the Bay street fire hall.—The Fire and Light Committee also asks tenders until the same date for furnishing one two-horse horse wagon.—Building permits have been granted as follows; Lawrence Bros., 2 storey bk. bakery and stable, rear 38 Denison ave., cost \$3,000; church warden's, St. Stephen's church, 2 storey bk. gymnasium and class rooms, cor. College st., and Bellevue ave., cost \$1,500.