

AMHERST, N. S.—A bill has received its second reading in parliament authorizing the authorities of this town to borrow money for the construction of sewers.

KILMARNOCK, ONT.—The government has been asked to replace the bridge here with an iron or steel structure, at a cost of \$8,000. An engineer will be sent to report thereon.

FREDERICTON, N. B.—Plans are being prepared by J. C. Dumaresq, architect, of Halifax, for a brick building on York street, to be erected by J. Clark & Son.

OWEN SOUND, ONT.—The by-law to grant a bonus of \$40,000 to the C. P. R. for elevator improvements was carried last week, as well as the \$6,000 by-law for waterworks extensions.

PORT ARTHUR, ONT.—The Dominion government will be asked to grant the sum of \$6,000 for repairing the old Dawson road bridges between Port Arthur and Shebaudowan Lake.

CALGARY, N. W. T.—The City Council are discussing the advisability of renewing the bridge over the Elbow, in the east end of the city. It is estimated that a wooden bridge can be erected for \$1,500, and an iron bridge for \$2,600.

CAPE TORMENTINE, N. B.—It is said that the breakwater here is so much damaged by recent storms as to require at least an expenditure of \$50,000 for repairs. A departmental engineer from Ottawa is now making surveys.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Mr. Harty has introduced a bill in the Ontario legislature authorizing the vestry of St. George's church to issue debentures to the extent of \$35,000 to relieve the existing debt and defray the cost of improvements.

SANDRINGHAM, ONT.—The Township Council are asking for tenders until the 13th of March for the construction of the MacGregor Creek drain, estimated cost \$1,130.57. Plans may be seen at the office of the clerk, R. G. MacGregor.

INGERSOLL, ONT.—The Ingersoll Radial Electric Railway Company, which is seeking incorporation, proposes to construct an electric railway from Ingersoll to St. Marys, Tilsonburg, Brownsville and other towns. The capital stock is \$500,000.

CLAYTON, ONT.—Tenders are asked until March 10th for erecting a brick Presbyterian church here. Address John McIntosh, Chairman Building Committee.—Wm. J. Drummond asks tenders until the same date for erecting a cheese factory.

LINDSAY, ONT.—A deputation from this town urged upon the Minister of Railways and Canals the immediate construction of the Balsam Lake and Lake Simcoe branch of the Trent Canal, tenders for which were invited but indefinitely postponed last year.

CHATHAM, ONT.—The citizens will be asked to vote \$10,000 for a new market building proposed to be erected during the coming spring. In addition to this structure a \$20,000 livery and boarding stable will be erected by McGarvin Bros. The plans for the latter have been adopted.

RAT PORTAGE, ONT.—It is reported that a Toronto capitalist has purchased property here and will erect a large block, to cost \$60,000.—Messrs. Peters & Head, architects, have extended the time for receiving tenders for Robinson & Brydon's stone and brick block until the 27th inst.

SANDWICH, ONT.—At a recent meeting of the Mecca Sanitarium Company, a motion was adopted instructing the directors to secure options of purchase on lands suitable for the erection of a sanitarium. The directors are Jno. Davis,

W. J. McKee, Ernest Girardot, Gordon J. Leggatt and August Soper.

HALIFAX, N. S.—A bill is now before the provincial legislature to incorporate the Halifax and Bedford Electric Company, for the purpose of operating an electric tramway and supplying electric power. The capital stock is to be \$300,000, and among the promoters are W. E. Crowe and A. E. Sullis.

QUEBEC, QUE.—David Ouellet, architect, is preparing plans for a wooden chapel for the Portneuf mission, Saguenay county. Same architect is calling for tenders for the heating of the S. Sebastian church, of Aylmer.—Mr. G. E. Tanguay is preparing plans for extensive reparations to the residence of Mr. J. T. Fremont.

LONDON, ONT.—The London Street Railway Company will double track the line to the water works park in the spring.—The County Clerk of Elgin has asked the city to join in a petition for improvements at the Port Stanley harbor.—McBride & Jones, architects, ask tenders until March 1st for alterations and additions to a warehouse.

WINDSOR, ONT.—The township of Tilbury west has accepted the plans of Mr. Newman, C. E., for the enlargement and improvement of Big Creek in that township. This creek drains part of five townships and about 55,000 acres will be affected by the improvement. The estimated cost of the work is \$45,000.—The late R. P. Payzant left \$20,000 to be used for the erection of a hospital, and steps are being taken to secure the erection of the same.—The town is seeking authority to borrow money for the erection of a school house.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The County Council have decided to advertise for tenders for a steel bridge near the Valley Inn, the estimated cost being \$2,000.—The Westinghouse Air Brake Company have asked that the present 4-inch main on Brant street be replaced by one of 6 inches, 950 feet in length.—The Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamsville Railway Company are not likely to build the proposed extension from Beamsville to St. Catharines, and it is said that Hamilton capitalists are prepared to build the line.—A permit has been issued to William and Walter Stewart for alterations to a building on James street south, for Robert Thomson, to cost \$2,600.—Ratepayers are petitioning for a pipe sewer on George and Locke streets.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—Mr. Siveright asked in the provincial legislature when tenders will be asked for the construction of the Nepisquit bridge. Mr. Emerson replied that the plans and specifications would be completed in a few days and tenders asked for the construction of the sub-structure of the bridge.—The Common Council will consider the establishment of a fire alarm system in Carleton, the building of a new fire house in North End, and the construction of a building for the Ambulance and Salvage Corps.—It is definitely settled that the erection of a free public library be commenced this spring, to commemorate Her Majesty's 60th year of reign. Cost \$20,000.—The C. P. R. Telegraph Co. are remodelling the ground floor rooms of the Aberdeen Hotel and fitting them up for use as their city offices.—The construction of water mains, at a cost of \$3,100, has been recommended.—The Common Council have resolved to build the proposed wharves at the harbor by contract, and Mr. Hurd Peters, C. E., has been instructed to prepare plans and invite tenders.

WINNIPEG MAN.—The Board of Trade have resolved to memorialize the Dominion government to provide in the estimates a sufficient sum to permit of work being proceeded with on the Red river improve-

ments.—The Legislative committee has been instructed to endeavor to obtain legislation to raise \$27,500 without having to submit a by-law to the people for the purpose of replacing the Main street bridge with a wider one.—A committee appointed by the City Council to report on the engagement of an expert to consider and advise regarding a waterworks system, have recommended the appointment of Mr. J. F. Fanning, C. E. of Minneapolis, and Rudolph Herbig, C. E., of New York.—It is understood that Messrs. Seach and Sharp have secured the lease of a desirable property on McDermott avenue, between Main and Albert streets, which is to be converted into an opera house. Plans have been prepared for remodelling the block and work will be commenced at once.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The City Surveyor has been instructed to advertise for tenders for the annual supply of lumber required by the city.—The waterworks superintendent has submitted a report on permanent work to be done in 1897, included in which is the following: Repairing valves, \$3,500; altering valves, pipe track, \$6,500; connecting 30-in. main from No. 1 turbine to the two 24-in. mains in the tunnel at wheel house, \$1,200; connecting the 30-in. main of No. 1 engine to the 30-in. main of No. 1 turbine, \$1,600; connecting No. 2 engine to the 30-in. main of No. 1 turbine, \$1,700; repairs to the reservoir, \$10,000; meters, \$63,662; repairs to permanent pavements, \$2,000. In addition to the above about \$20,000 is required for laying water mains.—Hon. E. J. Flynn, Premier of Quebec, has expressed himself in favor of building a bridge from Montreal to Longueuil, and of the extension of the Victoria bridge.—Gamelin & Huot, architects, are preparing plans for a residence to be built on Stanley street for Patrick Ryan.—W. E. Doran is calling for tenders for houses to be erected at the corner of Sherbrooke and Victoria streets, Westmount, for Thos. Lamb.—The Road Committee is asking for tenders until Thursday, March 4th, for the following work: Supplying each kind of asphalt, mastic and composition sidewalks required during the year; for the supply of flagstone, curbstone and scoria blocks for sidewalks and crossings; for the laying and relaying of flagstone sidewalks and crossings, laying and relaying of granite, porphyry and scoria blocks, and the laying and relaying of curbstone; and for the following supplies: Vitriified clay pipes and inverts, bricks, cement, lumber, spikes, hardware, castings and coal. Particulars may be obtained by addressing Mr. P. W. St. George, City Surveyor.—The Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company propose to construct two side-wheel steamers, 265 feet in length, at a combined cost of \$300,000. Tenders for construction will be invited shortly.

TORONTO, ONT.—The County Council have decided to rebuild the York Mills bridge on the old site.—The estimates of the Ontario government have been presented. Upon public buildings there will be an expenditure of \$109,155, and repairs amounting to \$14,900. At Hamilton \$15,525 will be required, of which \$10,000 is to complete the infirmary building. At Brockville the expenditure will be \$15,800, the principal items being \$6,500 for balance of contracts for completing main building and cottages and medical superintendent's residence, and \$5,000 for furniture, furnishings, etc. At Orillia \$13,300 will be expended, of which \$9,500 will be required for the completion of improvements to furnaces and boilers and installation of the Frue system of heating and ventilating. For public works \$1,000 is asked to remove the rock shoal at Devil's Elbow, inner channel of Georgian Bay; \$4,850 for Peninsula Creek improvement; \$1,884, Gull and