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Engineers—And what they are doing

BROCKVILLE, ONT.

Action has been taken by the Brockville Council to extend the intake pipe, to consider the cost of a filtration plant, and to arrange for changing the discharge of the sewer west of the town into the main sewer instead of the river.

MOOSE JAW'S 1914 FIRE LOSSES.

Moose Jaw's fire chief recently submitted his report for 1914 to the city council, and it is claimed that the city has the lowest fire loss for 1914 per capita of any city in Canada, that of \$1 per head of population. The total loss for 1914 was \$23,163 as compared with a loss of \$113,500 in 1913.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT OF WATER AND SEWERAGE AT ST. JOHN, N.B.

R. Fraser Armstrong, B.Sc., has been appointed superintendent of water and sewerage at St. John, New Brunswick. He is a graduate of the University of New Brunswick, and took post-graduate work at McGill University. For several years past he has been engaged at municipal engineering and construction work in the Canadian West.

PROSPEROUS HALIFAX.

Mr. W. F. Mahon, managing director Eastern Securities Company says that Halifax has apparently not felt the War conditions as other cities in Canada have, owing to the fact that there is a great amount of Terminal work going on there, and also that it is both a Naval and Military centre; it being practically the only accessible defended British Naval Port on the North Atlantic Seaboard.

The supply of houses for rent in Halifax is very limited and merchants generally speak as if conditions were as good as normal.

WINNIPEG IMPROVEMENTS.

Two plans have been submitted to the Winnipeg works committee by Assessment Commissioner Harris in connection with the Salter Street subway; one costing approximately \$250,000, and one \$500,000. The first provides merely for the approach from Alexander Avenue while the more comprehensive one takes in Isabel Street and provides for the straightening of that street right through to Notre Dame Avenue. The committee thought that the cost of straightening the entire street would be in excess of the advantage to be obtained. It was suggested that the angles on the jogs could be cut off, and it would make a good business thoroughfare and one that would satisfactorily answer all purposes. The result was that the assessment commission was instructed to include the cost of this, thought to be in the neighborhood of \$100,000, and add it on to the \$250,000 scheme, the whole matter to come before the council at its next meeting.

At a special meeting of the works and property committee of the city council, it was decided that the sum of \$336,000 should be spent this year in asphalt pavements; \$60,000 in granolithic sidewalks; plank sidewalks, \$50,000; street and lane openings, \$500,000; Main Street bridge superstructure, \$56,741.

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