

to renew the bridge over the Wortley road, in order to widen the structure for double-tracking.

ORILLIA, ONT.—At a special meeting of the town council, Mr. Roderick J. Parke, E.E., of Toronto, was appointed to prepare specifications for the proposed Ragged Rapids water power scheme.

HENSALL, ONT.—The trustees of School Section No. 1, Tuckersmith, are considering the question of erecting a new school house.—Samuel Meno has the foundation laid for a brick building.

COATICOOK, QUE.—Tenders are now invited for the erection of a new market building, 36 x 58 feet, and to cost \$4,000. The plans were prepared by G. L. Moulton. Address Otis Shurtleef, secretary-treasurer.

MIDWAY, B. C.—W. T. Thompson, of this place, and others, will apply to the provincial parliament for a charter for a railway from Midway to Beaver Creek. Power will also be asked to construct branch railway lines.

HINTONBURG, ONT.—William Moore has commenced the erection of a residence.—A new scheme is on foot for the construction of a system of water works, Mr. Rainboth, it is claimed, not having carried out his agreement.

DIGBY, N. S.—The Mayor has received a communication from the Manhattan Steamship Co., of New York, asking that the town grant exemption from taxation for five years on hotel premises proposed to be erected in this town.

QUEBEC, QUE.—Preparations are being made to build an addition to the National Bank, corner Racine street and Labrecque avenue.—L. E. Couture is preparing plans for a large car shed, for which tenders will shortly be invited.

HALIFAX, N. S.—An influential deputation from this city has requested the Minister of Railways and Canals to construct a floating elevator here, at a cost of \$150,000. The granting of a subsidy to the Midland railway, for a direct line from Windsor to Truro, has also been urged.

ST. CATHARINES, ONT.—The council has given notice of its intention to construct concrete sidewalks on Ottawa street and Nelson street.—Dawson & Symmes intend applying to the city council for an extension of time in which to commence the construction of their railway to Port Dalhousie.

CHATHAM, ONT.—The trustees of School Section No. 13 have been authorized to borrow \$1,500 for the erection of a new school.—Powell & Carswell, architects, want tenders by the 29th inst. for the erection of a brick addition to general hospital, including hot water heating, slate roofing, sun baths, etc.

PARRSBORO, N. S.—The report of Mr. T. R. Allison, pulp mill expert, on the adaptability of this town as a site for a pulp mill, has been received, and is decidedly favorable to the scheme. It is believed that at an early date the necessary capital will have been secured to proceed with the undertaking.

WOODSTOCK, ONT.—A government architect is expected here shortly to arrange for the preparation of plans for the proposed new post office. It is probable that a bank building will be erected opposite the post office, on the corner of Reeve and Dundas streets. A local real estate firm is negotiating the deal.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Plans are said to have been prepared for a large addition of 150 rooms to the Vancouver Hotel.—Plans have been prepared for a brick block on Cordova street, to be known as the Bijou theatre.—Two by-laws will shortly be submitted to a vote of the ratepayers, one to raise \$12,000 for construction of a wharf, and the other to raise \$150,000 for acquiring a park.

BELLEVILLE, ONT.—Mr. Frank A. Mitchell, of Norwich, Conn., has entered into an agreement with Abbott & Co., of Montreal, for the amalgamation of the works of the two concerns. It is expected that the new works will be erected in this city, and will include a merchant bar iron mill, sheet mill, nail factory and spike and horse shoe factory. The by-law has not yet received its first reading in council.

PORT ARTHUR, ONT.—There is a rumor that application will be made at the next session of parliament for a charter for the Thunder Bay, Nipigon & Albany Railway Company, to construct a railway in northwestern Ontario.—The ratepayers will vote on a by-law on November 8th to authorize the council to enter into an agreement with Edward Spencer Jenison for the supply of water and electric light and power.

KINGSTON, ONT.—It is announced that the English Cement Company at Marlbank are purchasing marl beds in that vicinity, and purpose operating the works next spring.—W. Derry, chief engineer, and J. Adams, architect, of the Kingston Penitentiary, are visiting penitentiaries in the United States, with the object of deciding upon the most improved sanitary system of heating and ventilating prisons, with a view to improving the institution in this city.

HULL, QUE.—The corporation has engaged Edward Mousseau, chief engineer of the E. B. Eddy Co., to make an estimate of the capacity of their water power near Walter's axe factory. It is at this point that the electric light plant is proposed to be installed.—The question of extending the Hull & Aylmer electric railway to Gatineau Point is under consideration by the directors of the company. It is the intention to commence the construction next spring.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.—The C.P.R. will build a brick and stone station here.—A. Bell, trustee of the Ellard Estate, states that building operations on the Ellard Estate property will commence at once, and that a two-story building, of brick, will be erected.—The provincial government has decided to commence forthwith the work of rebuilding the court house.—The Bank of British Columbia has decided to rebuild on the old site. Work will be commenced at once.

VICTORIA, B. C.—Several Chinese merchants intend erecting a building on Fisguard street, to cost \$10,000.—A syndicate of Chinese merchants have purchased property on the north-east corner of Government and Cormorant streets, and intend erecting thereon a brick building next spring.—Gerhard Tiarks, architect, has lately prepared plans for several residences.—Mr. F. M. Rattenbury, architect, is about to build a residence.—The question of borrowing \$20,000 for improved fire protection will be submitted to a vote of the ratepayers.

ROSSLAND, B. C.—The Inland Telephone Co. will extend its system to this place within the next six weeks.—The management of the Iron Colt Co. is making arrangements to resume work on the mining property at once. The plan of development will include the sinking of a winze on the main showing in the tunnel at the 300 foot level.—The management of the Velvet Mine are considering the installation of machinery, including a 60 horse power boiler and five-drill air compressor.—The Rossland Air Supply Co., capital \$200,000, has been organized, to develop water powers under what is known as the Taylor hydraulic system of air compression. The company will first develop its power on Beaver Creek, where two compressing plants will be installed, at a cost of \$150,000. A. J. McMillan, of this place, is interested.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The city clerk has

taken tenders on the construction of pipe sewers on West avenue, Hunter street and Hughson street.—Permits have been granted as below. R. Clohecy, brick dwelling on Wellington street south, for B. Cauley, cost \$2,500; W. A. Edwards, brick addition to the Hart Emery Wheel Co.'s building, cost \$2,300; Thos. Allan, 2 storey brick dwellings, corner Herkimer and Queen streets, cost \$2,800.—Mr. Percy Domville has presented to the City Council his report on the installation of an electric light plant for municipal purposes. He gives the cost of installing 500 arc lights as follows: Steam plant, \$18,850; electric plant, \$40,700; building, etc., \$37,580. His estimate for installing a lighting and power plant for commercial purposes only is: Steam plant, \$14,000; electric plant, incandescent, \$17,691; arc, \$5,625; power, \$3,200.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—A new residence is being erected on Roslyn street, Fort Rouge, by Mr. Hall, of Burrows & Hall, lumbermen.—A Dominion government engineer last week conferred with Mr. Robert Watson, Minister of Public Works in the local legislature, regarding the proposed work of widening the outlet of Lake Manitoba.—Work on the Swan river railway extension has ceased for the season. The line will be located another 200 miles this fall, and construction pushed ahead early next spring.—The School Board will call for tenders for plumbing the Gladstone street school.—At a recent meeting of the Fire, Water and Light Committee, the question of installing a municipal electric light plant for lighting the streets and municipal buildings was considered, but no action was taken.—Tenders are wanted by R. Pellat, Rosser, up to October 30th, for the construction of a pile bridge over Sturgeon creek, in municipality of Rosser. Plans at office of R. C. McPhillips, C.E., Confederation Block, this city.—Mayor Andrews, who recently went to England to negotiate for the sale of the waterworks bonds, is reported to have been unsuccessful. It is not expected, however, that the construction of a new system will be delayed, but that active operations will be undertaken this fall. The agreement with the present company for a water supply expires in two years.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Plans are in course of preparation in the office of H. Robert Falbord, architect, 99 St. James street, for an hotel at Cartierville, Que., two stories, to be built next spring, and for a private residence on Mountain street, of four stories, to be commenced next spring.—The Imperial Defence Board have been examining the mountain and both banks of the river, and it is understood they will recommend the construction of extreme range batteries in Mount Royal, and the erection of works at St. Lambert and Caughnawaga as an interior defence.—The annual report of the Fraser Institute points out the necessity of increased accommodation being provided.—In a recent speech, Hon. Mr. Blair, Minister of Railways and Canals, stated that next summer the government would complete the deepening and extension of the St. Lawrence canal system.—The project of building a bridge across the Lachine canal is being revived, and the government will be asked to carry out the work.—It is understood that a scheme is on foot for the erection of a large hotel on Sherbrooke street, between University and Victoria streets.—Alex. Robertson, secretary Harbor Commissioners, desires tenders by November 14th for the building of a steel tug boat. Plans on application to John Kennedy, chief engineer of commissioners.—The superintendent of waterworks has recommended an appropriation of \$3,000 for repairs and improvements, including three new pumps.—Mr. James R. Wilson, of the firm of Thomas Robertson & Co., has purchased the Martin Property, corner