

COAST TO COAST.

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Saanich, B.C.—Excavation work has commenced for the Saanich waterworks system.

Winnipeg, Man.—The Shoal Lake dyke has been fully completed, the entire cost of which was approximately \$120,700. Tomlinson and Flemming were the contractors.

Empress, Sask.—Work has commenced on the erection of a 30,000-bushel elevator for the Lake of the Woods Milling Co. G. F. Grundy is in charge of the work for the company.

London, Ont.—Work on the West London breakwater is now in full swing. In order to facilitate the work of construction, the Springbank dam has been opened to lower the river.

Banff, Alta.—The boring at the site of the proposed new bridge over the Bow River at Banff has now been completed by Engineer Macleod, of the Department of Public Works for Alberta.

New Westminster, B.C.—The Dominion Construction Company, contractors for the piling and decking of the new city market, have completed their work, and the government dredge No. 303 is proceeding with the fill for the extension.

Victoria, B.C.—In a few weeks at the outside, the work on the new Hudson's Bay block, corner of Douglas and Herald Streets, will have been completed, with the exception of the interior finishing. The contract held by the B.C. Construction Co. was commenced early last year.

Gray Creek, B.C.—Road work is progressing favorably on the portion of the imperial highway between Gray Creek and Crawford Bay. When this portion of the imperial highway is completed there will be a good road from Char Bay to Kootenay Bay.

Moose Jaw, Sask.—The 18-inch sanitary intercepting sewer, which has been in the course of construction from the 26th of January last, was completed on the 28th of June. It was constructed entirely by day labor, at a total cost of \$31,723. The total length of this sewer is 6,086 ft.

Bayfield, Ont.—Mr. J. J. Merner, M.P., South Huron, has been notified from Ottawa that work will begin within a few days on the dredging of the harbor here. The work is needed to complete the improvements which have been made to the harbor, an extension having been added to the pier and the old pier strengthened and largely rebuilt.

Saanich, B.C.—Splendid progress is being made in the road work. Mr. Johnson, engineer for the municipality, has fixed the end of August as the date for the completion of the pavement between the junction of the East Saanich Road and North Quadra Street and the Royal Oak. This will give a splendid route for traffic from Victoria through South Saanich to the different resorts both of that district and of North Saanich.

Quebec, Que.—The Dorchester Electric Co., which was some time ago disposed of by auction for the sum of \$100,000, has now registered under the name of the Public Service Corporation, and all the affairs, etc., will be run as of old. The building of the transmission line from Quebec City to Shawinigan has already commenced. As is well known, the sale recently effected brings about the absorption of the Dorchester Electric Co. by the Shawinigan interests.

Hamilton, Ont.—With the commencement of the laying of concrete on the Toronto-Hamilton highway between

the Valley Inn and the Brant House, that section of the road will be completed and ready for traffic soon. The engineers in charge stated that they expected the section would be completed by September 1. This will be the first part of the road to be finished, although other sections will be ready for traffic shortly afterward. The stretch near the Brant House is the first where the cement is being poured.

Winnipeg, Man.—Through railway connections are now being maintained over the Grand Trunk Pacific transcontinental line between Prince Rupert and Toronto, giving direct service from the Pacific to the Atlantic. The new G.T.P. service became effective last week with the opening of the new section of railroad between Winnipeg and Cochrane, which section was built by the Dominion Government, and known as the National Transcontinental, connecting North Bay over the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway.

Ottawa, Ont.—The International Joint Commission announces a series of hearings early in September in connection with the investigations they have been carrying on for a couple of years past relating to the levels of the Lake of the Woods and its tributary waters. The meeting will open at the town of Warroad, Minnesota, on September 7. The commission will then take testimony at International Falls, on the Minnesota side of Rainy River; and finally at Kenora, Ont., at the outlet of the Lake of the Woods.

Port Colborne, Ont.—A 300-foot test section of the proposed pipe line to supply water to the municipalities along the new Welland Canal is being built here, on property owned by the government. The work is in charge of Mr. Pringle, C.E., of the St. Catharines office, assisted by Engineer Johnson and staff. The 300 feet under construction is a 48-inch stave pipe, wire-wound, and covered with 6-inch iron reinforced concrete, and will be placed two feet under ground. When finished, the pipe will be thoroughly tested, and if found satisfactory will probably be used throughout the line.

Edmonton, Alta.—Grading on the A. & G. W. is expected to be completed to within a few miles of McMurray in two weeks. Except at the crossing of the Burnt River, where there are some heavy cuttings, the grading on the fifty miles of the Dunvegan Railway main line from the Smoky Valley and Spirit River City is completed. Good progress is being made in the heavy work at the crossing of the Smoky. All the work on the extension of Canada Central from Reno to Peace River crossing, 21 miles, is covered by contractors and is to be completed by October. Contractors are also at work on the Grand Prairie branch from Spirit River, and grading will be completed before winter.

Chatham, Ont.—The Chatham, Wallaceburg and Lake Erie Railway, at present owned by the Canadian Northern Railway Company, may form the first link in the chain of hydro radials that will be built in this part of the province. Negotiations are now being carried on between the Ontario Hydro Commission and the C.N.R., with the object in view of purchasing the line, which runs from Erie Beach, on the south, to Wallaceburg on the north. It is said that if the road is purchased it will be extended to Sarnia, through Petrolia and other places that will shortly take hydro power. It was also intimated by Sir Adam Beck that in case the road is purchased extensions would also be made from Erie Beach to Rondeau in addition to the one to Sarnia, thus connecting two lakes, Erie and Huron.