CONTRACTS OPEN.

PRESTON, ONT.—An opera house block will be erected here.

BROOKLIN, ONT.—Dr. Starr proposes erecting a new residence.

Moncton, N. B.—The erection of a new hospital is being agitated.

COMBER, ONT.—The purchase of a chemical fire engine is being considered.

THESSALON, ONT.—John Glanville has decided to rebuild his store recentry burned.

STRATFORD, ONT. — The Board of Trade is strongly urging the erection of a new fire hall.

HOWICK, QUE.—J. J. Logan has purchased Bryson's hotel and intends rebuilding it.

ST. CATHARINES, ONT—R. Peterson is making peparations to erect a brick store on James street.

GUELPH, ONT.—The construction of a sewerage system for the city will probably be undertaken at an early date.

OTTAWA, EAST, ONT.—Plans for a new town hall have been prepared by Mr. H. Ballantyne. It will be a brick building, to cost \$2,500.

CHICOUTIMI, QUE.—The School Commissioners have decided on the erection of three new schools one in each district of the village.

WINDSOR, ONT.—Daniel Scotten has purchased a lot at the corner of Uuellette avenue and London street and intends erecting a business block.

VICTORIA, B. C.—The City Council in pursuance of a scheme for improving the water supply of the city, have called for competitive plans for new filter beds.

AMHERSTBURG, ONT.—The Mullen-Gatfield Coal Co. propose constructing substantial docks here. Work will be commenced as soon as the weather will permit.

GLACE BAY, C. B.—Tenders are invited until the 4th of March for the erection of a Presbyterian church at this place. Plans may be seen on application to the Secretary, A. D. McRae, at the Union Bank.

WALKERTON, ONT.—Whole or separate tenders, addressed to John C. Kelly, Box 175, are invited until Thursday, the 21st inst. for the erection of an addition to the R. C. church in this town. Plans may be seen at the Presbytery.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Tenders are invited by T. O. Bolger, City Engineer, until 6 p. m. of the 21st inst. for 200,000 feet B.M. of 2 and 1½ inch plank for walks, and for 40,000 lineal feet of 5×4 cedar sleepers, also for the supply of hardware, etc.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Thos. F. McGuigan, City Clerk, invites tenders until the 28th inst. for two street sprinklers delivered at Vancouver.—H. F. Hoffar has prepared plans for two buildings to be erected on Cordova street, between Cambic and Carrall streets. The cost will be \$14,000 and \$11,000. Work will be commenced in the near future.

PORT HOPE, ONT.—H. V. Saunders, Town Clerk, invites tenders on behalf of the corporation until noon of the 15th March for the construction of a system of waterworks for the town. Plans may be seen at the Town Hall, Port Hope, and at the offices of McLennan, Stuart & Chapman, civil engineers, Leader Lane Chambers, Toronto.

LONDON, ONT.—The City Hospital Trust Board will again request the City Council to take action regarding the erection of an addition to the hospital.—Additional school accommodation is required, and a committee has been appointed by the Board of Education to report in the matter.—The necessity of making some improvements to the City Hall has suggested the idea that a new building is re-

quired. It is urged by somethat a municipal building should be erected jointly by the city and county, to be used as a city hall, court house, county jail and various offices.

REGINA, N. W. T.—Tenders for the purchase of \$10,000 of debentures are invited until the 28th inst. John Secord, Town Clerk.—R. B. Gordon, Clerk Executive Committee, invites tenders until Monday, the 4th of March, for the erection of various territorial exhibition buildings in this town. Plans of the buildings may be seen at the following places: office of D. Smith, Department of Public Works, Winnipeg; Northwest government offices, Regina; office of Mr. Coombs, Town Clerk, Prince Albert; office of W. Pearce, Calgary, and at Mr. Randall's office, Edmonton.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The plans and specifications for the Lakefield section of the Trent Valley canal are almost completed, and tenders for the construction of this section will, no doubt, be called at an early date. Mr. R. B. Rogers is superintending engineer.—E. J. Rainboth, C. E., has recommended the survey of the route of the electric railway from Hull to Aylmer.—Tenders for the construction of the Hurdman Bridge are invited by C. Macnab, County Clerk, until noon to-day (Thursday). Plans may be seen at the Court House.—E. F. E. Roy, Secretary Department of Public Works, will receive tenders until the 26th inst., for the construction of a wharf at Burnt Church, Northumberland County, N. B. Plans may be seen at the post-offices at Newcastle and Chatham, N. B., and at the above department.—Jas. Mather, architect, is preparing plans for a new residence for A. MacLaren at Buckingham, One.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The Jail and Court House Committee have selected A. W. Peene, architect, to prepare plans for a new jail building. The plans must be approved by the Dominion Government.— At the last meeting of the Hospital Committee a sub-committee was appointed to report on the additional heating apparatus required at the hospital, and also as to the necessary furniture required to furnish the new House of Refuge.—A. architect, corner James and Main streets, invites tenders until Saturday, the 16th inst., for carpenter, painting, plumbing, and tinwork required in the erection of a club house, at the foot of Wellington street, for the Victoria Yacht Club.—A new wing will probably be added to the press house of the Waterworks Department.—Mr. Henderson, M. P., interviewed the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, in regard to the construction of the proposed bridge over the canal at Burlington Tenders for masonry have already been received by the department, and the tenders for the iron work will be called for in a few days.—The City Engineer has been requested by the Sewers Committee to prepare an estimate of the cost of a trunk sewer on Garth street.

WINNIPEG, MAN .-- Mr. S. F. Peters, architect, of this city, has just returned from Toronto, where he consulted with the management of the Western Loan Co. regarding the reconstruction of their office building in this city, which was recently destroyed with the exception of the walls. It has been decided to utilize the remaining portion of the old building. The interior will, however, be entirely remodelled.—The Fire, Water and Light Committee have recommended to the City Council that tenders be called for the electric lighting of the streets with from 150 to 200 atc lights for a period of three years from the expiration of the present contract in April next.-At the last meeting of the Board of Works it was decided to construct a new steel superstructure for the Osborne street bridge at a cost of \$9,500, and the legislative committee was

authorized to procure such legislation as will enable the city to issue debentures for the amount without submitting a by-law to the ratepayers.—The question of repaving Main street was taken up, and it was resolved to recommend calling for tenders for cedar block, vitrified brick, stone and asphalt.—The extension of Gladstone street, at a cost of \$5,000 is under consideration.—The Committee on Works has recommended the construction of pipe sewers on Francis street, Proud street and Osborne street, at a cost of \$1,000.—R. W. Jameson, Chairman Finance Committee, invites tenders until the 29th of March for the purchase of \$40,000 of debentures.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The St. Jean Baptiste Electric Co. propose building new lines of railway this spring extending to the commercial parts of the city. Tenders will also be called at an early date for new engines and dynamos to be added to their plant at the corner of Rachael and Mon-The capital stock will be tana streets. increased to \$500,000.—At the general meeting of the Municipal council of St. Louis du Mile End, held last week, it was decided to call for tenders for supplying stone for the corporation. The plan for lighting the town by electricity also adopted, and tenders will also be invited. The Montreal Carriage Co., which was recently granted a bonus of \$15,000 by the municipality, was given an extension of time in which to commence operations.—The Health Committee has decided to recommend to Council to purchase property in Delorimier village offered by Guimond & Brosseau as a site for the proposed hospital for contagious diseases. The National boulevard scheme as presented to the Road Commit-tee provides for a boulevard of a total width of 150 feet. The cost of the scheme is \$450,000.—A meeting of the Council of the municipality of Verdun was held last week, at which the plans, as prepared by James Adam, C. E., were presented and approved of. The total area of the ground covered will consist of 903,000 feet. Specifications were ordered to be prepared by the end of the present month, when tenders will be called for. will commence early in May.—The Harbour Commissioners of Montreal invite tenders until the 5th of March for about 4,000 tons of steam coal and the usual supply of castings, iron spikes, bolts, oil, paint, rope, cotton waste and other stores required for twelve months. Specifications may be obtained from the secretary Alex. Robertson.—Mr. W. E. Doran, architect, has been requested by the Catholic School Commissioners to report on the required improvements in the sanitary condition of Montcalm and Sarsfield schools.—At a special meeting of the shareholders of the Bell Telephone Co., held on Monday, it was decided to issue debentures for \$600,000 for the purpose of erecting a new building.—H. Austin Jones, architect is preparing plans for four tenements on Beaudry street, for Mr. A. Purcil. Same architect is calling for tenders for three tenements on Inspector street, for R. Duncan.

TORONTO, ONT.—Tenders are wanted by A. H. Gilmore for all trades except carpenter, for alteration and additions to dwelling on Victoria ave., Eglinton. Plans may be seen at 23 Marlboro ave.—Mr. Hambly, in assuming the chairmanship of the Toronto Public School Board for 1895, urged the necessity of additional school buildings. He stated that 15,000 pupils of the public schools are at present occupying rented rooms, many of which from a sanitary standpoint were very unsuitable for the purpose. A less amount than is required to pay the rent of these rooms, would pay 4 per cent. on the amount required for new buildings.—Messrs. Frankel Bros. propose to erect a large warehouse at the corner of George and Duchess streets.—The Board of