CONTRACTS OPEN.

INWOOD, ONT.-Dr. McKercher, V.S., purposes building a residence.

MAPLEWOOD, ONT.-D. Murray will erect a new residence next summer.

LEVIS, QUE. -- Joseph Gosselin purposes erecting a new building, 96 × 26 feet.

TAMWORTH, ONT. - Samson Shield intends building a new brick block. HESPELER, ONT. - Mr. Biggar will

shortly commence the erection of a residence.

EAST TORONTO, ONT.—The council will borrow \$10,000 to meet current expenses.

SHELBURNE, N. S.— The municipal council will issue debentures to the extent of \$1,000.

PRESCOTT, ONT.—A project is on foot to build a railway from South Indian to this place.

PENETANGUISHENE, ONT. -- Improvements are to be made to the G. T. R. station here.

ST. LEONARD, N.B.—Irving Hoyt and others purpose organizing a club to erect a club building.

THORNHILL, ONT.—The trustees of the Methodist church have decided to put in a new furnace.

HEPWORTH, ONT.—It is the intention of James Gales to build a residence and place of business.

MILTON, ONT.—Tenders are asked for alterations, including reseating, to the county court room.

PORT HOPE, ONT.—The Port Hope Carpet Manufacturing Company purpose increasing their plant.

ROSSLAND, B.C.—It is expected that the city will borrow the sum of \$150,000 during the current year.

EDMONTON, N.W.T.—The by-law to purchase a market size was carried by the ratepayers on the 15th inst.

FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—The Mayor, in his inaugural address, recommended the erection of a market building.

MILVERTON, ONT,—During the coming summer the trustees of the Methodist church will build a parsonage.

ALBUNA, ONT.-C. Simmons, of Ruscom, is preparing to build a saw mill on his farm on the 8.h concession.

GEORGEVILLE, QUE.—Thomas Quinn has purchased the Bigelon site, and will erect new buildings in the spring.

LANSDOWNE, MAN. - The municipality invites tenders for the construction of a truss bridge over the White Mud river.

GUELPH, ONT.—A committee has been appointed to report on the construction of a suitable sewerage system for the city.

THORNDALE, ONT.— The West Nissouri Agricultural Society contemplate the erection of a grain elevator here next spring.

ALMONTE, ONT. — John Donaldson wants tenders by Saturday, 28th inst., for 200 green Cedar posts and 100 loads fine gravel.

TILBURY, ONT.—It is probable that the ratep yers will shortly be asked to vote on a by-law to raise funds to construct granolithic walks.

WYOMING, ONT.—George Fisher, of this place, has purchased property at Petrolia, and will probably erect a brick block thereon.

BARRIE, ONT.—At the last meeting of the town council a motion to purchase a new alternator for the electric light plant was voted down.

PERTH, UNT.—A sch-me is under way to build a skating and hockey rink. It is proposed to form a company, with a capital of \$4,000.

SEAFORTH, ONT,-The Property Committee of the town council has been em-

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powered to purchase a set of weigh scales, at a cost of \$250.

ESSEX, ONT. -- John Wortley has given up his contract for building the new town hall, and the work will likely be continued by the architect.

ST. JOHNS, QUE. -J. W. Molleur is interesting himself in the proposed knitting factory. The capital of the company is placed at \$50,000.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—James Harriman is about to commence the erection of a flour mill, frame, four storeys, 40×30 feet, and to cost \$6,000.

RUSSELL, ONT.—The ratepayers in this vicinity propose to take steps at an early date looking to the erection of a cold storage warehouse.

VANCOUVER, B.C.—The ratepayers will be asked to approve of a by-law to raise \$100,000 by debentures for the purpose of extending the waterworks system.

SIMCOL, ONT.— The town will ask authority from the provincial government to issue debentures to the amount of $44,-\infty$ for the payment of the floating debt

OWEN SOUND, ONT.—A. J. Spencer, town treasurer, desires tenders by January 31st for the purchase of \$23,441.43 of town debentures, bearing interest at 5 per cent.

WALNUT, ONT.—William McDonald, treasurer of Brooke township, wants tenders by noon of Saturday, February 11th, for the purchase of about \$3,000 of debentures.

CORNWALL, ONT.—The Canadian Colored Cotton Mills Company purpose making further additions to their property, and have asked the town for exemption from taxation.

WEYMOUTH, N. S.—Charles Burrill, of this place, has gone to England to negotiate arrangements for the erection of a large pulp mill on the Sissiboo river, back of Weymouth.

PETERBORO', ONT.—The corporation will seek authority from the provincial government to develop water power on the Otonabee river, and to supply light, heat and power.

CARBERRY, MAN.—James White, of Alexander, contemplates starting a planing mill and sash and door factory here. He wants exemption from taxation and a free building site.

IBERVILLE, QUE. - A Dominion government engineer was in 'own recently to locate the site for the proposed wharf, for the construction of which \$8,000 was voted by parliament last session.

LORING, ONT.— John Kyle intends building a brick hotel, work on which will commence in the spring.—It is probable that a new school building will be erected during the coming summer.

PORT ARTHUR, ONT.—Mr. T. A. Gorham, barrister, of this place, will ask the Ontario legislature for a charter for an electric railway from Hepigon Station, on the C.P.R., to Nepigon Lake.

NEW HAMBURG, ONT.—Fred. Walker is preparing to build a residence on his farm near here.—H. & D. Becker, general merchants, are preparing to build a new block the coming summer.

COBOURG, ONT.—A deputation from this place has asked permission from the Ontario government to establish a House of Refuge. It is proposed to remodel the old jail building for the purpose.

WINDSOR, ONT.—The town council has decided to purchase a steam fire engine. The ratepayers will be asked to sanction the expenditure of 55,000 for this purpose, and of 57,000 for the erection of an engine house.

AMHERSTBURG, ONT.—The by-law to borrow \$5,000 for the erection of a fire-hall has been passed in council.—Arrangements have been completed for the erection in this town, by Darius Wigle, of a canning factory, three storeys, 40×100 feet, with elevator and other improvements.

BRIDGEWATER, N.S.—The town council will take steps at once to put in a water supply, and to raise the necessary funds for the purpose.—It is understood that the Merchants' Bank will erect a brick and stone building.

PARRSBORO, N. S.—At a recent meeting of the ratepayers a by-law was passed authorizing the council to grant a bonus of 2,000 and exemption from taxation for five years to any person who will build and operate a two-set woollen mill.

WHITBY, ONT.—The town will seek authority from the provincial legislature to raise the sum of \$10,000, by the issue of debentures, as a loan to the King Bros. Company, to assist them in extending their business as leather manufacturers.

OSHAWA, ONT.—The by-law to raise \$110,000 by debentures for a waterworks and sewerage system was carried by the ratepayers on the 21st inst. Tenders for the work have been taken, and the contract will likely be awarded in a few days.

BUCKINGHAM, QUE.—Mr. H. P. H. Brummel states that work has already commenced towards the development of the graphite mine at Grenville. The company will be capitalized at \$500,000, and will erect mills at Grenville and St. Malachi.

HARTLAND, N.B.—The provincial govemment has offered to guarantee bonds to the amount of c_0, c_0 if the people will form a company to build the proposed Hartland bridge. Plans prepared by the Department of Public Works place the cost of same at \$27,000.

LANARK, ONT.—The North Lanark Railway Company will seek incorporation at the next session of the provincial legislature, with power to build a railway from Mile Lake to Arnprior. The route of the proposed road has been surveyed by Mr. A. Bell, C.E., of Almonte.

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NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.— Walter Blackie is calling for tenders for the erection of a two-storey brick block, 66×132 feet, to be erected on Columbia street by George Brine. The first floor will consist of three large stores, and the second floor will be fitted up for offices.

HALIFAX, N.S.—The Dominion Coal Company purpose adopting electricity for hauling purposes in their mining operations.—The county council will ask authority from the provincial government to borrow the sum of \$1,000 for the construction of a road between Lakeview and Bedford.

CLINTON, ONT.—The Grand Trunk Railway Company are taking tenders for erecting the superstructure of a steel bridge over a branch of the Maitland river, about four miles from this town; bridge to be 100 feet long, of 7 spans, 23 feet from bed of stream to floor, and 16 feet roadway.

ST. JOHN, N.B.—It is understood that the C.P.R. have in contemplation the extension of the present wharf at Sand Point some 400 feet farther down toward the Beacon.—It is announced that the Imperial Oil Company purpose erecting in this city a distributing tank for the maritime provinces.

BROCKVILLE. ONT.—W. B. Smellie, town engineer, will receive tenders up to 5 p.m. of Thursday, 26th inst., for the supply of stone for the town.—The Public School Board is at present considering the question of increased school accommodation. The inspector estimates that the necessary buildings, including a gymnasium, would cost about \$15,000.

OWEN SOUND, ONT. — The Owen Sound Portland Cement Company have decided to increase their capital stock from \$100, 000 to \$200,000, and to take steps im