

architects are Messrs McElfrick & Son, of New York.—It is probable that the intercolonial bridge from Hull to Nepean Point will be commenced this winter.—The Provincial Board of Health have sanctioned the proposed plans of the sewerage system. An official estimate of the cost of the system places the figure at \$444,458. The question will shortly be submitted to a vote of the ratepayers.

BARRIE, ONT.—Eustice Bird, architect, has received instructions to prepare plans for a hospital building.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Mr. G. R. Maxwell, M. P., who has recently returned from Ottawa, states that the new drill shed will be erected in the spring, and that a \$6,000 lighthouse will be built at the first narrows.—At a recent meeting of the Board of Trade, it was decided to petition the Dominion Government to grant assistance towards the proposed railway from the coast to Kootenay.

ROSSLAND, B. C.—Mr. Taylor, architect, is preparing plans for a large opera house to be erected by C. A. Baldwin, the contract for which will be let at an early date. It will be 44 x 66 ft. in size, with a large additional stage in rear. The building will be three stories in height, and will cost about \$10,000.—It is estimated that buildings aggregating in value \$150,000 are now in course of construction at this place.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Wm. & Walter Stewart, architects, have taken out building permits for the buildings for the sewage disposal works, to cost \$9,000, also for alterations to four stores corner Queen and King sts., for Jas. Lottridge, to cost \$8,000. The same firm have also made drawings for an office and dwelling to be built at Huntsville, Ont.—Alderman Brown will lay before the Property Committee a scheme to purchase the block bounded by York, Merrick, McNab and Park streets for market purposes.—Building permits have been granted as follows: James Mercier, alterations to 68 East avenue north, cost \$1,000; R. & J. Poag, two storey brick dwelling on Catharine street north, cost \$1,100; Erskine Smith, two storey brick dwelling on Robert street, for E. & C. Truscott, cost \$1,200; Thomas Larkin, three detached frame dwellings on Birch avenue, cost \$2,400.

QUEBEC, QUE.—Henry Menier, the owner of Anticosti, is now purchasing material for the extension of the Narrow Gauge railway. Over 120 miles will be constructed next spring.—W. Speer, president of the Glens Falls Paper Co., has been examining sites along the line of the Lake St. John railway with a view to erecting two large pulp mills. The location of these will probably be at Riviere-a-Pierre and Miquick.—W. D. Baillarge, assistant city inspector, will receive tenders until Friday, the 30th inst., for the masonry and ironwork of a swing bridge to be erected over the river St. Charles. Plans may be seen at the office of the city engineer.—A proposal is on foot to form a syndicate here for the construction of a large conservatory of music.—David Ouellet, architect, is calling for tenders for extensive works to be done at the sacristy and church of St. Epiphane, Temiscouata.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Mr. J. C. Wilson has offered to donate the sum of \$5,000 towards the construction of a Technical Institute in Montreal, on condition that the government will contribute a similar amount.—Hon. A. G. Blair, Minister of Railways and Canals, was recently interviewed in regard to the resolutions of the Board of Trade favoring a 30 ft. channel from Quebec to Montreal, and 14 ft. channels westward. The Minister promised consideration.—J. Alcide Chausse is preparing plans for a new presbytery for St. Zouque parish. Tenders will be

invited in a few days.—Messrs. Sincennes & Courval, architects, are calling for tenders for a house to be erected for C. Charbonneau.—A. F. Dunlop, architect, is receiving tenders for the plumbing of a house to be erected on Redpath street for C. L. Shorey.—Eric Mann, architect, has received tenders for one factory to be erected on St. Paul st., for James Cores-tines & Co. L. R. Montbriand has received tenders for a factory to be erected on St. Catharine street for Berard Major.—Sincennes & Courval, architects, have received tenders for one house to be erected on Clark street for M. Charette.—More commodious quarters are to be secured for the Montreal Military Institute.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Fire and Light Committee have decided to request the Board of Control to invite new tenders for a fire engine.—Ten feet will be added to the height of the Bay street fire hall, and a furnace placed in the new addition.—In his fortnightly report presented to the Board of Works on Monday last, the city engineer estimates the cost of repairing that portion of Lake Shore road within the city limits at \$2,300. The cost of diverting the dry weather flow of the Fort Rouille sewer along Dominion street to Dufferin street would be approximately \$6,500.—The City Clerk has received a sufficiently signed petition against the construction of a brick pavement on Palmerston avenue, between College and Robinson streets.—A number of property owners on Spadina avenue, between King and Queen streets, waited upon the Board of Works on Monday last regarding the proposed pavement on that street. It was stated that if the city would bear the cost of two out of the four stone kerbings the property owners would agree to the work being proceeded with.—The City Council has given notice of its intention to carry out the following work: Brick pavements—Dovercourt road, Queen to College street, cost \$26,400; Foxley street, Dundas street to Dovercourt road, cost \$3,270; Huntley street, Bloor to Earl street, cost \$8,540. Asphalt roadway—Dundas street, Queen to Arthur street, cost \$18,600. Macadam roadway—Grange avenue, Spadina avenue to Beverley street, cost \$1,570. Cedar block roadways—Lisgar street, Queen street to Dundas street, cost \$5,200; Afton avenue, Northcote avenue to Lisgar street, cost \$1,350. Cement concrete sidewalk—Bay street, east side, Adelaide street to a point 124 feet north, cost \$279.—The Harbor Commissioners are applying to the government for the patent for the water lots between Queen's wharf and Garrison creek sewer, with a view to constructing cribwork which will prevent the sewage from Garrison creek from being carried into the western channel.—The Technical School Board have appointed a committee to wait upon the City Council regarding the question of providing a permanent building for the school.—Ald. Hallam has prepared an estimate of the cost of improving Queen street avenue. The amount required will be \$5,000.—Building permits have been granted as follows: John L. Coffee, Board of Trade, pr. s. d. 2 storey and attic bk. dwellings, 78-80 Beatley ave., cost \$3,500; R. C. Clute, bk. stable, s.e. cor. Walmer rd. and Castle ave., cost \$1,500; B. Homer Dixon, 2 story bk. add. and alterations to dwelling, s.w. cor. Lowther ave. and Walmer rd., cost \$2,300; S. H. Janes, alterations to store, 15 King st. w., cost \$1,000; F. H. Herbert, architect, det. 2 story and attic bk. dwelling, 9 Lampport ave., cost \$3,800; Mrs. Annie Monkhouse, 96 Spencer ave., 2 story and attic bk. dwelling, cost \$3,000.

FIRES.

A saw mill on St. Lawrence street, Montreal, owned by Lalonde & Emond, was completely destroyed by fire on Mon-

day last. The loss will reach \$10,000.—At Peterborough, Ont., on the 25th inst., J. R. Donnell's planing mill and C. W. Green's pump and wind mill establishment were totally destroyed by fire. The loss is partially covered by insurance.—Patrick O'Connor's soda water factory at 306 Seaton street, Toronto, has been damaged by fire to the extent of \$2,000.—William Hanson's saw mill at Spruce Lake, N. B., was consumed by fire a few days ago.—Fire at Notre Dame de Grace, a suburb of Montreal, destroyed Mr. Tottier's bakery, Savage's carriage factory, the dwelling of Mrs. Savage and the residence and workshop of R. Decary. The loss is estimated at \$40,000.—Property to the value of \$25,000 at Levis, Que., was destroyed by fire on the 25th inst. Mr. Beaulien's Commercial & Industrial Co. lost their foundry, work shops and other buildings. The loss is estimated at \$15,000.—The brick residence of John Munro, at Southwold, Ont., was totally destroyed by fire on Monday last. Loss, \$2,000.—A two storey brick-encased building on St. Lawrence street, Montreal, used as a sash and door factory by Lalonde & Girard, has been burned. The loss will reach \$8,000.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

ORILLIA, ONT.—Park debentures have been sold to J. A. Meldrum, of Toronto, at \$10,890.

HULL, QUE.—Wright & Co. have supplied the cement for the repairs to the Rideau canal.

CHESLEY, ONT.—The contract for erecting a chair factory here has been let to D. Steven, a local contractor, for \$2,100.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—John E. Wilson has been awarded the contract for the galvanized iron work at the Lefebvre memorial hall, St. Joseph's college.

KASLO, B. C.—The contract for the supply of valves and hydrants for the new water works system has been given to the Kerr Engine Co., Walkerville, Ont.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The Department of Railways and Canals has awarded the contract for the new bridge across the Rideau Canal at Smith's Falls to Mr. Grant, of this city.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Contracts for sewers have been let as follows: Herkimer street, to David Newlands, 43 cents per foot; Stanley avenue and Hunter street, to James Nolan, at 35 and 33 cents a foot respectively.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Contracts have been awarded as follows by Chs. Chausse, architect, for two houses on Park avenue: Masonry, Louis Veinette, jr.; brick, E. Paquette; painting, L. N. Denis; plastering, M. Charbonneau.—L. R. Montbriand, architect, has awarded contracts as follows for four houses on Esplanade street, 12 dwellings in all, for J. P. Martel: Masonry, H. Dufort, carpenter and joiner's work, Pierre Chapleau; brickwork, S. Rochon. Same architect has let the contract for one building, two stories, on Esplanade street for C. Gratton: Carpenter and joiner's work, M. Papineau; roofing, plumbing and heating, Pelletier & Brosseau; plastering, T. Leclair.—Perrault & Lesage, architects, have let the following contracts for a block of four houses, twelve dwellings in all, and one store, cor. Lagauchetiere and St. Andre sts. for Dame S. Monast, of St. Hyacinthe: Excavation and drainage, N. Laporte; masonry, Ouimet & Labelle; carpenter and joiner's work, L. Beaudry; brick work, Isidore Morache; roofing and plumbing, Lesperance & Theriault; plastering, Ephraim Morache.—Jos. Venne, architect, has let contracts as follows for one temporary chapel to be erected, corner Fullum and Lariviere streets, for the Syndic of the churchwardens: Masonry, Z. Benoit;