

Ottawa, down the Ontario side of the river to Ste. Annes, then to build a direct connection from Perth to Carleton Place. It is also proposed to erect permanent car shops here.

**AMHERSTBURG, ONT.**—A company in Detroit has made a proposition to build an electric railway from this town to Windsor and Harrow, and want a bonus of \$15,000. Mr. Joseph DeGurse, C. E., has made estimates for grading, bridges, culverts, etc. Several bridges will be required if the road is proceeded with.

**RAT PORTAGE, ONT.**—The corporation will spend \$75,000 in putting in a new waterworks system, and a bill is now before the Ontario Legislature to legalize the expenditure.—The town has sent a deputation to Ottawa to ask the Minister of Public Works to construct a more suitable bridge over the east branch of the Winnipeg river.

**PETERBORO', ONT.**—It is probable that at an early date English capital will be secured to develop the water power of the Otonabee river, Mr. J. B. McWilliams having recently interested a representative of an English syndicate in the scheme.—The Dickson Company, of this place, will rebuild the saw mill at Lakefield, equipping it with improved band saws.

**HINTONBURG, ONT.**—At the last meeting of council, a proposition was read from Mr. E. J. Rainboth agreeing to put in a system of waterworks sufficient to supply a population of 10,000. He considers that it will take 20,000 lineal feet of pipe, and that the whole can be put down and in running order for the sum of \$25,000. The report was referred to a committee.

**ANNAPOLIS, N.S.**—The report of Mr. John S. Hodgson, Assoc. M. Inst. C.E., of Wellington, Mass., estimates the total cost of a sewerage system for the town, on the separate system, at \$26,000, for a total of 3½ miles of pipe sewer. There will be a tidal outlet, with provision for storing the sewage during height of tide. It is proposed by the town council, subject to approval of a town meeting, to execute a first instalment of the scheme, at a cost of \$13,500.

**HAMILTON, ONT.**—Building permits have been granted as follows: A. W. Peene, brick addition to the Hamilton & Toronto Sewer Pipe Company's building on Wentworth street north, cost \$4,500; Joseph Martin, two-story brick dwelling on Hannah street west, cost \$1,000.—Wm. & Walter Stewart, architects, will shortly take tenders for plumbing, steam heating, electric wiring and electric elevator for John Proctor's block, James st. south.

**KINGSTON, ONT.**—A number of summer cottages will likely be erected on Stella Point, Bay of Quinte, the coming season.—The Kingston & Smith's railway promoters will, it is said, ask for a new charter, with power to build an electric road between this city and Ottawa.—Richardson Bros. will erect a new 250,000 bushel elevator to replace the one recently destroyed by fire. The City Council has granted the firm ten years' exemption from taxation.

**WINNIPEG, MAN.**—At the last meeting of the Market, License and Health Committee a sub-committee reported that they had had plans prepared for a blast furnace to be used as a crematory, but before recommending the adoption of any system, they considered it advisable to send a delegation to the eastern cities to collect data. This was decided upon.—B. E. Chaffey, Chairman Fire and Light Committee, will receive tenders until Monday, 27th inst., for the supply of 1,000 feet of 2½ inch rubber hose, with couplings, and 36 pairs rubber boots.

**VICTORIA, B. C.**—Among the private bills that will be applied for at the next

session of the Legislature are: To incorporate a company to construct a railway from Pyramid Harbor, Lynn Canal, to the northern boundary of British Columbia, R. T. Elliott, solicitor; to incorporate companies for the construction of railways from the Skeena river to the eastern boundary of British Columbia; for the construction of a railway from Teslin Lake to the coast of British Columbia; for the construction of a railway from Rossland to Robson; and for the construction of a railway from Fort Steele to the international boundary, for all of which companies Mr. H. E. A. Robertson is solicitor.

**MONTREAL, QUE.**—Gordon & Ironsides have asked permission from the City Council to erect a slaughter house.—J. Alcide Chausse, architect, is preparing plans for a large school building to be erected at Maisonneuve, Que., a church at Bonfield, Ont., and six dwellings on Nonancourt street for P. X. Lalonde.—The Recorder's Court has decided that several manufacturers must provide smoke consuming apparatus.—Robert Findlay, architect, is calling for tenders for seven houses, corner of Prince Albert street and Chesterfield avenue, for E. Bulmer.—Tenders have been called for tenement houses to be erected at the corner of Grey and St. Antoine streets, for A. F. Gault.—The ratepayers of St. Henri have passed the by-law authorizing the erection of a new fire station.

**LONDON, ONT.**—Mr. Moore, superintendent of waterworks, in his annual report, strongly recommends the adoption of water meters. He also urges that steps be taken at once to utilize the water of the springs recently purchased.—R. A. Jones has invited tenders for erecting a residence.—The Jubilee Hospital Joint Stock Company received ten plans for the proposed hospital building, and have made awards as follows: 1st prize, H. C. McBride, London; 2nd prize, Strickland, Symons & Rae, Toronto; 3rd prize, Geo. W. King and David Ogilvie, Montreal. The accepted plan provides for a brick building, with stone foundation, capable of accommodating 130 patients, and to cost \$75,000.—At a joint meeting of the Elgin and Middlesex county representatives on Friday last, it was decided to recommend that if the Coyne road bridge over the Thames be rebuilt, that it be of steel, set on steel cylinders, filled with concrete, and that the span be 240 feet with an 18-foot roadway.

**OTTAWA, ONT.**—In connection with the main drainage scheme, City Engineer Surtees figures that to accommodate Janelville and the surrounding district, 350 acres additional would have to be drained, at an increased cost of \$50,000.—L. Z. Gauthier, architect, of Montreal, who is preparing the plans for the new convent of the Precious Blood to be built on Sandy Hill, was in the city recently. It has not yet been decided whether the convent will be erected of brick or stone.—Mr. A. E. Schryer, of the W. C. Edwards Co., has lately purchased property on Waverley street, and will probably build thereon.—The Imperial Life Assurance Company are said to be negotiating for a site on Sparks street.—The C.P.R. will build their bridge across the Rideau river this winter, and hope to have it completed early in the spring.—A movement is on foot to construct a bridge over the Rideau canal at Concession street. Already the stone has been donated for a second bridge over the Rideau river further along the line of Concession street, as well as \$300 granted by the county council.—L. K. Jones, secretary Department of Railways and Canals, will receive tenders until December 31st for the construction of culverts for regulating sluices. Plans at above department. Mr. Jones will also receive tenders until same date for the construc-

tion of a collecting drain at St. Johns, Quebec.—A petition has been presented to the council asking that the city apply to the Dominion government for a portion of the old superstructure of the bridge over the canal on Bank street with a view to erecting a bridge over the canal in line with Concession street.

**TORONTO, ONT.**—The Toronto Technical School Board, at its last meeting, considered the report of the Property Committee regarding the extension and remodelling of the building. Alterations amounting to \$26,000 are contemplated by the authorities of the Toronto University, who are owners of the building. The plans have been prepared by Mr. D. B. Dick.—In his fortnightly report presented on Monday last, the City Engineer recommended the construction of a macadam roadway on Tyndall avenue, from King street to Springhurst avenue; a brick pavement on Clinton street, from College street to a point 2,305 feet north of that street, and a concrete walk on the west side of Bay street, between Front and Esplanade street.—The Toronto Radial Railway bill, now before the Ontario Legislature, asks for the consolidation of various local electric railways. The lines when completed will have a radius of about one hundred miles, and run through several counties.—In connection with the new municipal buildings, contracts have yet to be let for elevators, tile flooring, clocks and telephone system, estimated as follows by the architect: Elevators, \$30,000; certain extras, \$2,750; tile flooring, \$28,000; telephone system, \$2,500; tower clock, \$4,000.—The Court of Revision last week confirmed a number of local improvement assessments, including that for a brick pavement on McCaul street. The Station street asphalt recommendation was laid over till next meeting.—The construction of a large number of pavements will be commenced as soon as the weather will permit in the spring.—W. R. Brock & Co. have purchased the property to the south of their present establishment on Bay street. The purchasers intend to rebuild immediately, and the new building will be an exact fac simile of their present warehouse.—Mr. H. B. Jacobs, of the Toronto opera house, is reported to have decided to open the Auditorium as a first-class theatre, and to remodel the building for the purpose.—Building permits have been issued as follows: House of Industry, two-story addition, cost \$5,000; J. R. Barber, three-story addition to warehouse, north-east corner Jarvis and Duke streets, cost \$3,200; Estate James Murray, alterations and additions to Nos. 36, 38 and 40 Wellington street east, cost \$4,000; C. R. Rundle, pair of dwellings on Wellesley, near Bleecker, cost \$5,500.—Mr. Wm. Williamson, contractor, proposes to erect a brick wood-working factory at the corner of Water street and Eastern ave.—A meeting has been called by the Mayor to consider what steps are necessary to secure the early construction of railways from Toronto to Sudbury and James Bay.—The Ontario government estimates for the year 1898, submitted to the House recently, includes the following sums for public buildings: Asylum for Insane, Toronto—Boilers for laundry and cottages, \$900; furniture and furnishings, \$1,300; steel sheeting for renewing ceilings, \$300. Asylum for Insane, Mimico—Heating and lighting chapel and assembly hall, \$1,200; materials for hot-water heating cottages 5 and E, \$1,300; arc light dynamo for increased lighting of grounds, \$600; carpenter and masons' supplies for subways, fencing, etc., \$1,000; furniture and furnishings, \$1,000. Asylum for Insane, London—Re-fitting store, including plastering walls and ceilings, renewal of flooring, shelving, etc., \$1,200; replacing present worn out shingle roof of wings with slate, repairs to plastering and