tects, want tenders before Saturday next for a small brick residence on Rusholme road,
—Tenders will close on Saturday, the 5th
inst., in the office of Mr. F. H. Herbert,
architect, for the remodelling, with new
additions, of the premises of the Beard
Estate, Jarvis street, for the Trust & Loan
Co. of Canada, and also for alterations to co. of Canada, and also for alterations to residence, No. 32 Homewood ave. A. R. Denison, architect, will shortly invite ten ders for the John Eaton building on Yonge st.—The city will construct the following pavements: Brick pavement on Boswell ave., from Avenue rd. to Bedford rd., cost \$4,220; cedar block pavement on Brock ave., from Queen st. to Dundas st., cost \$5,940; cedar block pavement on Euclid ave., from Arthur st. to College st., cost \$2,780: macadam pavement on Arthur st., from Bathurst st. to bridge, cost \$13,900, gravel roadway on Garden ave., from Sorauren ave. to Macdonell ave., cost \$1,-200; gravel roadway on Afton ave., from Lisgar st. to Northcote ave., cost \$1,030; brick sidewalk south side Wellington st., from Bay st. to a point 100 ft. east of York st., cost \$815; brick sidewalk on west side Brunswick ave., from College st. to Ulsier st., cost \$843; brick sidewalk on south side Queen st., from Tecumseh st. to Niagara st., cost \$1,945; brick sidewalk on south side Lombard st., from Victure 1981. toria st. to Church st., cost \$940; brick sidewalk on west side Jarvis st., from King st. to a point 24 ft. south of Adelaide st., cost \$670; brick sidewalk on north side of Queen st., from Terauley st. to Chestnut st., cost \$1,138; brick sidewalk on north side Adelaide st., from York st. to Bay st., cost \$1,790. - J. F. Brown, architect, will likely invite tenders next week for the High School at Richmond Hill.— The tenders received for the new school at East Toronto were found to be too high. Alterations will be made in the plans and new tenders invited. The proposed expenditure is about \$5,000.—At a meeting of the Separate School Board held on Tuesday, last a report Tuesday last, a report was presented by the Management of Supplies Committee recommending the purchase of seventeen desks for the junior classes of St. Helen's school, a suitable heating apparatus for St. Paul's school, and repairs to the various

#### FIRES.

Hooper's mill and elevator and electric Company, of Toronto, and Warren & Johnston, of Barrie, was destroyed by fire.

— The Gartshore-Thomson Pipe and Foundry Company's works at Hamilton, Ont., were damaged by fire recently to the extent of \$3,000, covered by insurance. -The Arlington hotel at Birtle, Man., owned by F. Adams, has been burned. -The large planing mill and sash and door factory at Lucknow, Ont., belonging door factory at Lucknow, Ont., belonging to Walter Stewart, was consumed by fire on Monday last. The electric light plant was also destroyed. Loss \$15,000; no insurance.—Samuel Higgins' carriage factory on Dundas street, Woodstock, Ont., was damaged by fire last week to the extent of \$5,000.—The furniture store of Whiting & Co., Wm. Irving's residence and the Mechanics' Institute at Alvinsion and the Mechanics' Institute, at Alvinston Ont, were burned recently.

### CONTRACTS AWARDED.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The tender of Mr. Archibald has been accepted for the Exhibition building.

GANANOQUE, ONT .- R. J. Wilson, of this town, is the successful tenderer for a Catholic church at Elgin, to cost \$8,000. PARRY SOUND, ONT .- T. Broadbent,

of Parry Harbor, has received the con tract to build a residence on Gibson street, this town, for E. J. Vincent.

LITTLE CURRENT, ONT. cipal authorities have decided to purchase a Champion road machine, manufactured by the Good Roads Machinery Co., of Hamilton.

GUELPH, UNT.—Contracts have been accepted as follows for a residence for accepted as follows for a residence for Prof. Deane: Stone and brick, Mr. Matthews; carpentry, Wideman & Clemens; plumbing, Mahoney Bros.; painting and glazing, Cormie & Son; lathing and plastering, O'Donnell; tinsmithing and iron work, Rumfold.

HAMILTON, ONT. - The Sawyer & Massey Company advise us that the Dominion government have purchased one of their road machines for use at the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, and regard this as a high compliment to the efficiency of the machine for road-making.—The tender of Alex. Thompson, for piling and masonry of the new Marsh bridge, has been accepted. The contract for superstructure has not yet been let.

KINGSTON, ONT .- Arthur Ellis, architect, has accepted tenders as below for a brick dwelling for Prof. Cappon: Masonry, W. Langdon; carpentry, J. Carver; plumbing, heating, metal work, etc., Mc-Kelvey & Birch; painting and glazing, Savage Bros.; estimated cost, \$4,000.— The following tenders were received for the supply of iron pipe: St. Lawrence Pipe Company, Toronto, \$24.50 a ton laid down in Kingston, special castings \$40 a ton; Gartshore & Co., Hamilton, \$24.50 a ton; Drummond, McColl & Co., Montreal Section 100. treal, \$26.50 a ton.

QUEBEC, QUE -Building permits have been granted as follows: One large coach house, 176 x 116 ft., two storeys, stone and brick, mansard roof, to be erected on St. John, Higuillon, Racine and Richelieu streets, for the Quebec District Railway

Co : contractor A Fackrey : probable cost, \$25,000 Contracts have been awarded as follows for a college at Ste. Contracts have been Marie de Beauce : Masonry, M. Cantin, of Quebec: carpentry, T Bilodeau, of Ste. Marie; roofing, 5. Faucher, Quebec; painting, Nap. Laine, of Levis; plumbing and roofing, Charles Vezina, Quebec.

OIIAWA, ONI Tenders were received by the city as below for asphalting Bank by the city as below for asphalting Bank street, from Maria to Ann streets. War ren Scharf Con pany, Trin dad asphalt, per superficial yard, guaranteed for 15 years, with 72 lb. rail, \$3.30; do., with 56 lb. rail, \$3.39; totals, \$45,003, \$46,173. Wm. Stuart, rock asphalt, per superficial yard, etc., with 72 lb. rail, \$3.49; do., with 56 lb. rail, \$3.59., totals, \$47,401, \$48,701. Canadian Granite Company, took asphalt, per superficial yard. pany, tock asphalt, per superficial yard, etc., with 72 lb. rail, \$3.25, do., with 56 lb. rail, \$3.28, totals, \$44,248, \$44,638. The tender of the Ganadian Grante Company has been accepted.

TOPONTO, ONT. - The Board of Control have accepted the following tenders for pavements and sidewalks: Concrete sidewalk, south side Prince Arthur ave., \$1.03 per lineal foot; concrete sidewalk, west side West Market street, \$2.40 per lineal foot; concrete sidewalk, east side Church street, \$1.75 per foot, to Gardner & Ço.; vitrified brick pavement on concrete, Dufferin street, between King and the G. f. R. crossing, John McBain, \$5,819; vitrified brick, Hill street, from south drive to Glen road, Constructing & Paving Co., \$1,374; vitrified brick on gravel, St. Vincent street, between St. Joseph and Yonge streets, J. McBain, \$2,544; gravel, Lissai street, between Oueen lineal foot; concrete sidewalk, east side 544; gravel, Lisgar street, between Queen street and Afton avenue, Matson & Son, \$1,850; macadam, Classic place, Constructing & Paving Co., \$788; cedar on gravel, Baldwin street, Constructing & Paving Co., \$695.—C. J. Gibson, architect, has let contracts as follows. Resident dence on Lowther ave. for Mr. Garside-

THE Authorities at Ottawa have been investigating the merits of the new Wall Plaster, known as

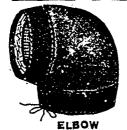
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