HALIFAX.

IMMIGRATION BUILDING.

The storehouse was refloored, repairs and alterations of counters were made; a frost-proof room constructed, and wash tubs and necessary plumbing put in. Work inspected by J. E. Turnbull, clerk of works, St. John, N.B.

EXAMINING WAREHOUSE.

Repairs were made to floors, elevators, entrance doors and sidewalk. Work inspected by J. E. Turnbull, clerk of works, St. John, N.B.

DOMINION BUILDING.

The plastering and joinery were repaired and the walls and ceilings of offices and corridors cleaned and tinted and the woodwork painted, the water closets and urinals renewed.

Work inspected by J. E. Turnbull, clerk of works, St. John, N.B.

LAWLOR'S ISLAND-QUARANTINE STATION.

Disinfecting Apparatus.—A small steam disinfection chamber, a steam boiler and a vacuum pump used during the summer of 1892 at Grosse Isle Quarantine Station, were shipped at the close of the season to Lawlor's Island, to be used temporarily until the apparatus intended therefor would be ready.

On 3rd January, 1893, a contract was entered into for the supply of a steel double shelled square chamber, 8 ft. 6 in. x 8 ft. 6 in. x 24 ft.; a 40 h. p. boiler, a vacuum pump, tanks for return or condensed water, bichloride of mercury, disinfection of leather goods and for settling water for boiler supply.

An agreement was entered into to construct at the north wharf, a wooden

shelter building, 70 ft. x 32 ft., to contain the foregoing apparatus.

Detention Building for Cabin Passengers.—Plans and specifications were prepared and tenders received for the construction of this building on the high ground facing the old wharf. It is to be a one story wooden building on a stone foundation 152 ft. in length, to consist of a main portion 42 ft. x 32 ft., to contain a dining-room, pantry, bar and stoves; to have two wings 55 ft. x 22 ft., to contain 14 state-rooms, 2 bath-rooms and 2 water closets each, and in rear of main portion, a kitchen 20 ft. x 13 ft., with an open shed 20 ft. x 9 ft. in the rear. A covered gallery 7 ft. wide to extend along the entire length of each wing. Two open fire-places are provided for in the dining-room.

Detention Building for Third-class Passengers.—On 29th May, 1893, a contract was entered into for the construction of this building, and the works are now in progress at the north end of the island, near the wharf. It is to be of wood on stone foundation, one story in height, the main portion 220 ft. x 38 ft. 6 in., and the kitchen and shed wing 26 ft. x 20 ft. The middle portion, 43 ft. in length, is for, a

dining-room, pantries, &c., and the remaining portions for dormitories.

Repairs, Renewals, &c.—The roofs of hospitals, cook-houses, privies, &c., and the exterior of walls of steward's quarters were reshingled, and general repairs and painting done to the various buildings. One of the barns being dilapidated was taken down and replaced by a new one.

Plans, &c., prepared and work supervised by this department. Works inspected by J. E. Turnbull, clerk of works, St. John, N.B.

Contractors for disinfecting apparatus, Carrier, Lainé & Co., Lévis, P.Q. Contractor for shelter building, Samuel Brockfield, Halifax, N.S.

Contractors for third class detention building, Rhodes, Curry & Co., Amherst, N.S.