

THE Roman Catholic Church at Sudbury, Ont., has been burned down. Loss, \$15,000; insurance, \$7,000.

THE Toronto Paper Co.'s mill will probably be closed down till water is let into the canal about the last week of this month.

LISTOWEL, Ont., will pay bonuses of \$2,500 to Morris Field, Rogers & Co. piano manufacturers, and \$2,000 to Gillies & Martin, iron founders.

J. A. PICKETT, C.E., of New Glasgow, N.S., has plans for a new water-works system at Lunenburg, N.S., at an estimated cost of \$70,000.

JOHN A. RUSSELL, of Detroit, has purchased the Dominion Typograph Works at Windsor, Ont., for \$25,000. The works are running as usual.

GEO. BULL's grist mill, at St. Albert, near Edmonton, has been burned down. Loss, \$10,000, including 5,000 bushels of wheat. No insurance.

THE Dominion Government estimates for the year ending June, 1895, give \$1,603,430 for Public Works, a decrease of \$708,598 on those for the year past.

WE are requested to note that the boiler invented by the proprietor of the London Bolt and Nut Works, in use at that place, and referred to in last issue, is patented.

THE road committee of the Stormont county council are conferring with Mr. Greenwood, of the Dominion Cotton Mill, Cornwall, as to a new bridge over the canal.

THE wire manufacturers of Ontario have made an all round reduction of 10 cents in the prices of their goods. The cut is intended to shut out the American makers.

It has been resolved to build the Robert Jones Convalescent Hospital on the Lachine road, near Verdun, Que. The required land has already been purchased for \$12,000.

S. C. HONSBERGHEK's carriage works at Jordan, Ont., have been destroyed by fire. Loss, about \$5,000; insured for \$2,000. The town hall and other buildings were also damaged.

THE suspension bridge across the mouth of Niagara gorge, connecting Queenston, Ont., with Lewiston, is now in a ruinous condition. It was built just over forty-three years ago.

H. A. GAUTHIER, A. J. Vincent, and L. A. Dufresne, Montreal, have joined together in partnership as architects and civil engineers, under the name of Gauthier, Vincent & Dufresne.

JOHN STEVENS has purchased Jackson's old biscuit works at Galt, Ont., and, after putting in \$2,000 worth of new machinery, will commence the manufacture of biscuits and confectionery.

THE centrifugal pump reported in last issue as being shipped to Gilmour & Co., Trenton, was supplied by M. Beatty & Sons, Welland, whose name was misprinted in the item referred to.

THE Tisdale Iron Stable Fittings Co., Brantford, Ont., are applying for incorporation, with a capital stock of \$50,000. They will manufacture iron stable fittings, and do business as general founders.

GEO. ELPICK's roller flour mill at Pinkerton, Ont., has been burned down. The fire, from which nothing was saved, is supposed to have been caused by lightning. Loss, \$18,000, insured for \$7,000.

MEETINGS have been organized recently in Edmonton for the purpose of considering how best to bring pressure to bear on the Dominion Government to induce them to aid in building the proposed bridge.

THE boot and shoe factory lately carried on by O. L. Richardson & Son at Levis, Que., has been purchased by Messrs. Campbell, Brodie and Fresque, who are resuming operations under the name of the Standard Boot Co.

JOYNER & ELKINGTON, of the Qu'Appelle Valley, Assa., flour mills, have been making extensive alterations. They have put in a new steam plant, increasing their capacity to 120 barrels per day. They contemplate building an elevator.

WM. JOHNSON, the well-known paint manufacturer of Montreal, has resumed business at the factory in Mill street, the style of the new firm being Wm. Johnson, Dickson & Co. Mr. Johnson was the pioneer in fine paint manufacturing in Canada.

THE building used by the E. B. Eddy Co., Hull, as a tub and pail factory, is to be converted into a paper mill, where bags of all kinds and qualities will be made. The former industry will have a new home, stone buildings for which will shortly be erected.

THE Canadian Power Co. has been trying to secure a right of way through the Queen Victoria Park property, to empty their tunnel into Niagara River. This the Niagara River Power Co. object to, and an interesting tussle is the result.

THE Canadian Construction Company, Toronto, who are applying for incorporation, N. K. Connolly, of Quebec, and M. Connolly and James Swift, of Kingston, being interested, will take over the plant of the Trinidad Asphalt Company, Toronto.

It is proposed to build the projected bridge at Renfrew, Ont., as follows: an iron girder bridge of three spans; a central span of 80 feet, with two approaches of about 36 feet, with a roadway 20 feet wide, and a sidewalk six feet wide at each side.

E. VANIER and T. C. Keefer have handed in their report upon Montreal's water system. They recommend an enlargement of the aqueduct, an extension of the wheel-house, and the purchase of new hydraulic machinery, turbines, etc. Estimated cost, \$1,500,000.

On the 12th March a boiler exploded at Vale's saw-mill, near Dresden, Ont., killing Mr. Cornell, the engineer, and three of his children, who were in the engine-room at the time. The boiler was thrown over the house adjoining the mill. Mrs. Cornell has one child left.

WE have received THE CANADIAN ENGINEER. Its entrance into the uncertain arena of journalism, where many are called and but few are chosen, augurs a prosperous career. Its field is indicated by its name, and we would add that it covers it in first-class style—*American Artisan*.

SPENCER & TUCKER, of Cape Tormentine, N.B., have ordered from the Robb Engineering Co., Amherst, N.S., a vertical boiler for their lobster works. The same firm of engine manufacturers is equipping H. M. Coates' children's shoe factory at Cape Tormentine with a steam plant.

THE defences to be constructed at Esquimalt, B.C., are to be on a large scale, and will cost \$5,000,000. There will be four miles of gun wells and a system of tunnels with underground mines. The harbors at Victoria and Esquimalt will be protected by submarine mines. Work was commenced last month.

COSSITT BROS., Brockville, will start the manufacture in Canada of the James McCormick Binders. The McCormick Machine Company of Chicago had intended starting a branch factory in Canada, but instead of doing so have arranged with Cossitt Bros. to manufacture for them in this country.

THE Montreal Sanitary Association have elected its council as follows: John Kennedy, C.E.; P. A. Peterson, C.E.; Geo. Gillespie, S. P. Stearns, Hugh Graham, J. Craddock Simpson, A. W. Morris, D. Morrice, H. M. Allan, D. Burke, Ald. Penny, Ald. R. Wilson Smith, Sir Joseph Hickson, Drs. A. A. Browne and Craik, and Prof. Bovey.

A MANUFACTURERS' section of the Toronto Board of Trade was formed last month, with officers as follows: Chairman, Edward Gurney, vice-chairman, L. M. Jones, and secretary-treasurer, Edgar A. Wills. It will look after manufacturers' interests of all kinds, but will not interfere in any way with the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

AS SCHEME is on foot to construct two dams across the Shubenacadie from Maitland to Black Rock. Between these two dams will be placed all the machinery necessary for electric plants, factories, &c., of all kinds, which will no doubt not be long in following the completion of the work. Over one dam it is proposed to run cable cars from Truro to Maitland.

W. P. McNEIL & Co., founders, New Glasgow, whose loss by fire was mentioned last month, are not dismayed by their loss, but have already got in shape for work, and not only so, but they propose to embark in a new line not hitherto undertaken in Canada—that is steel castings. Mr. McNeil has made some experiments in this line and has been quite successful in producing some special lines of castings for mining and other machinery.

THE projected bridge across the St. Lawrence from Brockville, Ont., to Morristown, N.Y., plans and specifications of which have been accepted by the U. S. Government, will be 5,064 ft. in length from shore to shore, 150 ft. above high-water mark, with four spans of 700 feet each, built on the cantilever principle. Work is expected to commence on the caissons by about the end of May. W. B. Smellie and C. J. Pusey, of Brockville, are the Canadian engineers.

As foreshadowed in a recent number, an amalgamation of the Canadian Brass Manufacturers is under way, by which, it is believed, a saving of \$100,000 to \$150,000 will be effected in working expenses. There would probably be two new manufactories started, one in the east, at Montreal, and the westerly one at Toronto. The goods produced at these two factories would be handled by the present manufacturers. The Brass Association expect to be able to arrange matters more definitely after the next meeting in July.