

CONTRACTS OPEN.

CALGARY, N.W.T.—A 4-storey addition is to be built at once to the Alberta Hotel.

LEAMINGTON, ONT.—The Town Clerk will receive tenders until April 10th, for the construction of a system of water works.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.—Plans have been prepared by Mr. G. W. Grant for an expensive residence for Mr. Arthur Rand.

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—Tenders are invited by Mr. Jas. A. Bell, City Engineer, until April 6th, for lighting the streets with gas and electric light.

WEST TORONTO JUNCTION, ONT.—The Council has granted a right of way through the town to the proposed Davenport Electric Railway Co.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The Board of Health recommends the building without delay of a sewer on Rottenburg St., and the erection of a garbage crematory.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, MAN.—It is said to be the intention of the Government to place the sum of \$10,000 in the estimates for the erection of a new wing to the Home for Incurables.

NELSON, B. C.—A company has been organized here with a capital of half a million dollars to build complete reduction works, provided a suitable site is granted by the Government.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Mr. Adolph Peterson, the owner of the present Opera House, and others, are considering a scheme for re-modeling and enlarging the present Opera House building.

PETERBORO', ONT.—The Y. M. C. A. have purchased a site 60 x 104 ft. at the corner of George and Murray streets on which to erect a new building, for which plans are now being prepared. The estimated cost is \$22,000.

ST. HYACINTHE, QUE.—The Council has decided to grant a free site and a bonus of \$50,000 to a Belgian syndicate which proposes to establish a bridge manufactory. The consent of the rate-payers will be asked on the 10th April.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—Tenders will be received at the office of Morrison & Lawlor, (Smythe St.), for the erection of coal sheds, up to the 5th of April. Plan and specification to be seen at the office of R. C. John Dunn, Pugsley Building.

PORT ARTHUR, ONT.—The by-law recently passed appropriating \$75,000 for the construction of an electric railway between this place and Fort William has been found to be illegal, and will, therefore, have to be again submitted to the rate-payers.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Mr. Wm. Stewart, architect, will receive tenders until the evening of Tuesday, the 31st inst., for the erection of a four storey dry goods house for Thos. C. Watkins, at the corner of King and Hughson Sts.—The project for the erection of a Maternity Hospital is almost certain to be carried out.

FREDERICTON, N. B.—A syndicate of Maine capitalists, who lately purchased 55,000 acres of land on the Keswick and its tributaries, intend in the near future to erect a large pulp mill at the north forks of the Keswick, near Zealand station on the northern division of the C.P.R.

NICOLA, B. C.—Messrs. J. F. Allison, A. E. House and others are applying for a charter to construct a railway from a point on the Canada Pacific railway along the Niagara river, touching Princeton to Lake Osayooos; also from a point on the Coldwater to Kamloops.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I.—Hon G. W. Howland and Mr. Palmer have been commissioned by the local Government to proceed to England to further the project for the construction of the proposed tunnel to connect the Island with the main land. Sir Douglas Fox is understood to be engaged in preparing detailed estimates of the undertaking based on the report of his engineers.

LONDON, ONT.—The City Engineer will receive tenders until the evening of the 2nd April for plank sidewalks, gravel and stone, lumber for repairs, nails for repairs, and paving.—Mr. Thos. Huston will erect a residence on the site of the present Salvation Army property on King street.

—The City Engineer invites tenders until the 3rd inst. for glazing in the Public Schools.

LINDSAY, ONT.—Tenders will be received by Mr. Fred. Knowlson, Town Clerk, until April 10th, for the construction of water works, or for the formation of a company to construct and operate water works. The town requires 6½ miles of 6 to 12 inch pipe, with stand pipe and 67 hydrants. Power must be guaranteed to supply 1,500,000 gallons daily, and to furnish a constant pressure of 100 lbs.

NIAGARA, ONT.—Application is to be made to the Dominion Government by the Niagara Central Railway Co. for power to extend their road across the Niagara River.—Incorporation has been applied for by the Queenston & Niagara River Bridge Co., with the object of constructing a bridge and railway across the Niagara River and building a railway between Queenston, Niagara Falls and St. Catharines.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The G. T. R. Co. will shortly begin the erection of new rolling mills in connection with the Company's shops at Point St. Charles.—The Provincial Government proposes to erect a fire-proof building at the western end of the Court House for the accommodation of the registrars.—Plans prepared by Messrs. Taylor & Gordon, architects, of this city, for the rebuilding of the portions of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, recently destroyed by fire, have been approved by the management of that institution.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—A new business block will shortly be erected for Messrs. Gravely & Spinks at the corner of Carrall and Oppenheimer streets. The materials will be brick and stone, plate glass windows, iron roof, pressed brick. Mr. R. McKay Tripp, architect, invites tenders for the erection of the building.—A committee has been appointed by the St. Andrew's & Caledonian Society to arrange for the formation of a limited liability company to purchase land and erect a building suitable for the requirements of the Society.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Negotiations have been resumed for the improvement of the water power of the Assiniboine river at this place.—The president of the C.P.R. has stated that railway construction will be commenced towards Battleford this summer.—The Rev. Thos. Clarke has undertaken to erect an Indian Memorial Chapel to the memory of the late Dr. McLean, Bishop of Saskatchewan. It will be erected in South Battleford.—An American gentleman who owns property on Portage avenue, near Main street, has instructed his agent here to call for tenders for the erection of a brick block.

KINGSTON, ONT.—The Public School Board has appointed a delegation to visit London, Hamilton, and Toronto, for the purpose of examining the systems of heating and ventilation in operation in the Public Schools. Information thus gained is to be applied in the heating and ventilating of the proposed new school building here.—The City Engineer invites tenders until the evening of the 31st inst. for the following materials, etc.: 300,000 feet b. m., more or less, 2 and 1½ inch planks for walks; 70,000 feet lineal, more or less, of 5 x 4 cedar sleepers for walks; 12,000 pieces, more or less, of cedar blocks for crossings; hardware, etc.—The Congregationalists have approved of plans prepared by Mr. Reid, for the rebuilding of their church, and have instructed a committee to procure tenders.

TORONTO, ONT.—The following sums have been included in the estimates of the Provincial Government to be expended in the erection and improvement of public buildings:—Reformatory, Penetanguishent, \$7,730; Central Prison, Toronto, \$4,415; Deaf and Dumb Institute, Belleville, \$14,700; Blind Institute, Brantford, \$16,426; Agricultural College and Experimental Farm, Guelph, \$8,500 for a convocation hall and gymnasium with heating, etc., and \$10,000 for a laboratory, green and propagating houses, etc.; School of Practical Science, \$16,900 for the general equipment of engineering department; Ottawa Normal School, \$20,000 for additions to the assembly and class rooms; Orillia Idiots

Asylum, \$23,200 for completing the new buildings, putting in steam heating, etc., and \$14,750 for furniture and furnishings; Hamilton Asylum, \$15,000 for new buildings, barn and stables, root-house, etc., and \$14,000 for annexes for six dining rooms, main building; London Asylum \$13,000 to complete central boiler house, pigery, duplicate pumps, etc.; Mimico Asylum, \$33,000 to complete cottages under contract, sewage disposal, etc.; \$36,000 for two cottages for refractory patients (50 in each), and \$11,000 for furniture and furnishings; Osgoode Hall, Toronto, \$8,400.—The Water Works Committee will ask tenders for the building of new pumping engines.—It is the intention of the Methodist authorities to let contracts next year for the erection of a college residence which will accommodate from 75 to 100 students.—The City Engineer recommends the construction of cedar block pavements on Bismark Ave., Harris St., and Dupont St., at an estimated cost of \$2,000, \$2,150, and \$1,150 respectively.—The Legislation Committee of the Council has been instructed to see by what means the necessary funds may be obtained for the widening and re-construction of the Queen street subway, at an estimated cost of \$200,000.—Tenders will be asked for the construction of three cottages in connection with the Boys' School at Mimico, also for three cottages for the Girls' Industrial Home.—Preparations are being made for commencing the work of erecting the proposed new Law School building.—The Confederation Life Association will immediately let contracts for the interior woodwork of their new building.—The following building permits have been granted: W. J. Kirby, three att. 2-storey brick fronted dwellings, e. side Ossington Ave., near College St., cost \$4,500; George A. Elliott, pr. s. d. 2-storey bk. dwellings, e. side Bedford Rd., near Boswell Ave., cost \$7,000; T. A. Lytle, det. 2-storey bk. dwelling, southwest cor. Huron and Bernard Sts., cost \$3,500; Rogers Bros., pr. s. d. and one det. 2-storey bk. dwellings, Spadina, cor. Washington Ave., cost \$10,500; A. McCabe, three att. 2-storey bk. dwellings, n. side D'Arcy street, cost \$5,000; Geo. Hardy, pr. 3-storey bk. stores, w. side Bathurst St., near Arthur St., cost \$5,000; Thos. McMullen, pr. s. d. 2-storey and attic bk. dwellings, s. side Caer Howell, near McCaul St., \$4,200; Geo. McMurren, pr. s. d. 2-storey and attic bk. dwellings, w. side Bedford Rd., near Tranby Ave., cost \$9,500; C. D. Delworth, 1-storey bk. store, w. side Bathurst St., near Dupont St., cost \$1,000.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—Contracts have been let for the new *Journal* building at the corner of Talbot and Hiawatha streets.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—It is stated that the C.P.R. have let the contract for a new bridge over the Niagara river at this point.

WALCERVILLE, ONT.—The Globe Furniture Co. have been given the contract for seating the new Methodist Church at Victoria, B. C., for \$2,479.

GUELPH, ONT.—The County Commissioners have awarded the contract for a new bridge over the Conestoga river at Glen Allan, to Mr. Richard Boyle, at the price of \$1,054.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Contracts have been let for the construction of a new Roman Catholic Church in Hochelaga to cost about \$25,000. Construction will begin as soon as the snow leaves the ground.

TORONTO, ONT.—Contracts have been awarded for the new Victoria College Buildings as follows: Masonry and excavating, Brown & Love, \$115,680; carpentering, J. C. Scott, \$29,450; roofing, G. Duthie & Son, \$4,480; copperwork, John Douglas & Co., \$1,855; plastering, Caius Rundle, \$8,879; ironwork, St. Lawrence Foundry, \$8,582; plate glass, Faircloth Bros., \$6,435; mineral wool and asbestos deadening, Gast & Atchison, \$1,720; heating, Smead, Dowd & Co., \$5,850.

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