

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE.—The Town Council of Fort Francis awarded the contract for the labor on the new water and sewerage system to Holmes and Kinnimond, of Portage la Prairie. The price is \$12,857. The total contract is over \$25,000.

Saskatchewan.

MOOSE JAW.—The tender for the new fire hall has been awarded to Navin Bros., Moose Jaw, the price being \$19,000. The other tenderers were the Brandon Construction Company, Limited, \$18,403; S. A. Covert, Moose Jaw, \$21,000; Healey & McGregor, Sault Ste. Marie, \$24,375; Smith Bros., and Wilson, Regina, \$19,800, and E. E. Poole, Moose Jaw, \$21,480.

PRINCE ALBERT.—The tender was let to J. F. Hughes for 38 cents a house. The Fleming Method offered to do the work at 40 cents a house.

SASKATOON.—The tenders received on the three different sections of the sewerage and waterworks scheme to be done in the city this year were: Municipal Construction Co., Regina, \$14,934; \$29,584 and \$12,843.85, or bulk, \$54,632.35; Craig & McVean, Prince Albert, \$13,908, \$23,699 and \$10,758, or bulk, \$47,170. H. Welsh, \$13,725, \$24,630 and \$11,445, or bulk, \$49,400; F. F. Fry, Toronto, \$39,700 bulk; Parson's Engineering Company, Regina, \$17,137, \$29,093 and \$12,427, or bulk, \$58,000; J. Brodt, Regina, \$15,137, \$18,978 and \$10,496, or bulk, \$44,350; H. F. Moore, \$13,831, \$24,048 and \$11,281, or bulk, \$49,000; Reginald Bolton, Prince Albert, \$15,000, \$17,900 and \$9,500, or bulk, \$42,000.

British Columbia.

VANCOUVER.—At a meeting of the Municipal Council of Burnaby the following contracts were awarded: Grading Greenwood drive, E. Scouffi at \$18 and H. Sommer at \$15 per chain; clearing pole line road, H. Sommer \$11 per chain; grading Hazzard road, J. J. Mervyn, at \$17.90 per chain; redrawing map of the municipality on larger scale, Mr. H. W. Stewardson, \$130.

LIGHT, HEAT, AND POWER.

Ontario.

TORONTO.—The electrical department of the City of Toronto have issued the following schedule of rates for power users in Toronto when the Hydro-Electric line is completed to the city. This does not include the additional charge on the peak to users of power who have the meter rate, this additional charge being six cents per horse-power, as stated:—

Maximum demand in h.p.	Minimum monthly bill	Flat rate per h.p. per month	Meter rate per h.p. per hour off peak
300	\$ 344	\$2.29	.71
400	425	2.12	.65
500	506	2.02	.62
600	588	1.96	.60
800	750	1.87	.58
1,000	912	1.82	.56
1,200	1,075	1.79	.55
1,500	1,320	1.76	.54
2,000	1,725	1.72	.53

The peak hours are as follows:—October 15 to October 31, 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.; November 1 to November 30, 5 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.; December 1 to January 15, 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.; January 16 to February 15, 5 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.; February 16 to March 1, 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Manitoba.

BRANDON.—Some details of the power project planned for Manitoba have been given out. The Byllesby Company claim they can develop 150,000 electrical horse-power at Great Falls. Construction work will be started as soon as 20,000 horse-power is contracted for. Supplies of 100 horse-power will be delivered at the rate of \$20 per horse-power, while for amounts of from 5,000 to 10,000 horse-power the charge will be \$15. The charge for transmission will be 3½ cents per

mile. Brandon is 225 miles from the plant, which will bring the rate for 6,000 horse-power up to \$22.87½, delivered at the high tension station here.

Alberta.

LETHBRIDGE.—On May 10th votes will be taken on a by-law to raise \$153,000 for additional machinery, the erection of buildings, and necessary extensions for the city's electric power station, waterworks plant and water main extensions.

British Columbia.

VICTORIA.—A by-law for an additional loan of \$50,000 for sewer purposes will shortly be submitted to the people.

VICTORIA.—On April 14th the big storage battery and "booster" at the British Columbia Electric Railway power house were connected with the system and started in on their service. The new apparatus constitutes a species of reservoir which fills automatically. In the storage batteries are 260 cells with a capacity of 1,200 ampere hours, and these contain some forty tons of materials. The cells consist of lead plates suspended in sulphuric acid. This addition to the plant has cost about \$50,000, and the installation was made by English experts, the storage battery by E. T. Humphreys, of the Tudor Export Syndicate, and the "booster" by G. E. Mason, of the Lancashire Dynamo & Motor Company.

SEWERAGE AND WATERWORKS.

Nova Scotia.

NEW GLASGOW.—Sewer and waterworks extensions to cost \$12,000 are being considered by the Town Council.

Ontario.

BROCKVILLE.—The town is intending extending its electrical system and waterworks pumping station. C. H. and P. H. Mitchell are engaged in making a report upon the matter and are advising on the economies of a continued generating and pumping plant.

LINDSAY.—Several extensions to water mains are being made here.

LISTOWEL.—The by-law to provide money to establish a municipal lighting plant here carried by a large majority on Monday, April 19th. Work will be proceeded with immediately, and contracts will be made with Messrs. Kilmes, Pullar and Berneham for two 50 kilowatt generators; the Robb Engineering Company for engines; Waterous engine works, boiler; George Thomas, Windsor, line materials and erection. C. W. and P. H. Mitchell are the engineers for the town.

PORT ARTHUR.—Numerous extensions to sewer and waterworks system will be made by the City Council this year.

RAILWAYS—STEAM AND ELECTRIC.

Quebec.

MONTREAL.—The Southern Counties Railway Company gave a contract to Stack & Brogan for paving Common and Mill Streets and the approaches to Black's bridge, the work to be started as soon as weather will permit.

MONTREAL.—The contract for grading in St. Lambert in connection with the Montreal and Southern Counties Railway has been awarded to George Duncan, who also has the contract for the excavation work for the sub-station and car barns, which will be erected of concrete, opposite Elm Avenue on St. Denis Street. Work was begun on the grading near Victoria bridge last week.

Ontario.

STRATFORD.—Mr. N. M. Cantin, St. Joseph, has submitted a proposition to the city council on behalf of New York capitalists to build an electric railway between St. Joseph and Stratford, a distance of sixty-five miles, upon the condition that the city guarantee the bonds of the concern up to \$250,000. The road would run via Parkhill, Exeter and Hensall, Stratford would be given an hourly service for fifteen