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ADVERTISING RATES ON APPLICATION.

At its Convention held in Toronto, Nov. 20 and 31, 1889, the Ontario Association of Architects signified its approval of the CANADIAN CONTRACT RECORD, and pledged its members to use this journal as their medium of communication with contractors with respect to advertisements for Tenders.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted at the First Annual Meeting of the Province of Quebec Association of Architects, held in Montreal, Oct. 10th and 11th, 1890: "Moved by M. Perrault, seconded by A. F. Dunlop, that we the Architects of the Province of Quebec now assembled in Convention being satisfied that the OANADIAN CONTRACT INCOMD affords us a direct communication with the Contractors,—Resolved, that we pledge our support to it by using its columns when calling for Tenders."

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TENDERS WANTED.

Scaled tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received until JANUARY THE 5711, 1893, for the various works required in the crection of SEVEN STORES AND DWELLINGS on St Catherine Street. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Contractors will have to give sufficient guarantee for carrying out of the

CHRIS. CLIFT. Architect.

180 St. James St., Montreal December 20th, 1892.

White lead has the greatest body or spreading capacity of all white pigments, but if used alone will powder and chark off after exposure a short time. This defect can be remedied by the use of oxide of zinc, which is the most elastic and durable of white pigments. Therefore, by a combination of the two best pigments, we secure the best qualities of each and counteract the defects of each, the lead imparting the body or covering capacity, and the zinc giving the elasticity and durability. Linseed oil is conceded by all to be the best wood preservative, and the best bond for holding the pigments to the wood. It must be strictly pute, however, or the best paint applied with it will peel or chalk off.

CONTRAGTS OPEN.

WINNIPEG, MAN - Messrs. Archibald & Howell will build a large office building on Main street.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Mr. Hoffar, architect, and Messrs. McCartney & Baner, engineers, recently surveyed the site for the proposed addition to the court house.

NORTH SYDNEY, N. S.—A meeting of ratepayers will be held shortly for the purpose of considering the advisability of building a new marine railway or dry dock.

LUNENBURG, N. S.— The Town Council is asking for tenders until the 10th of January for the purchase of \$23,000 worth of debentures; Geo. H. Love, town clerk.

PORT ELGIN, ONT.—A vote of the ratepayers of the County of Bruce will be taken on Monday next on the question of erecting a House of Refuge for the County.

QUEEEC, QUE.—It is said that the Quebec, Montmorence & Charlevoix railway will shortly be run by electricity, the motive power being obtained from the Montmorenci Falls.

TILSONBURG, ONT,—Plans have been accepted by the School Board for the new high school building. It will be three stories high, of red brick and Ohio cut stone and will cost \$6,000.

FOREST, ONT.—Tenders are invited until the 15th of January for the erection of a new brick church in this town. Full particulars may be obtained by addressing Rev. D. A. McRae, Box 16, Parkhill.

DESERONTO, ONT.—The Rathburn Company of this place and McMullen Br.s. of Picton propose building a line of railway from Deseronto Picton. The Bay of Quinte will be bridged at Capt. John's Island.

ST. HYACISTHE, QUE—Tenders are asked by the Department of Public Works for the Dominion until the 8th of January for the construction of a hot water heating apparatus in the public building at this place.

VARMOUTH, N. S.—A company has been formed for the purpose of erecting a first class brick hotel. A committee appointed to select a site will report at an early date, and work will be proceeded with in the spring.

KINGSTON, ONT.—The sum of \$20,000 has been subscribed towards the proposed School of Mining and Agriculture.—Dr. Bryce and Dr. Vaux, of the Provincial Board of Health, were in the city recently in connection with the proposed new drainage system.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT,—The directors of the Niagara Railway Suspension Bridge Company are thinking of constructing a new double track railroad suspension bridge across the gorge here. If the Grand Trunk Railway join them in the project, it is probable that the scheme will be carried out.

CAMPRELLFORD. ONT.—A dispute has arisen as to who is responsible for the maintenance of the Narrows bridge. At a recent meeting of the Counties Council it was decided to obtain legal advice on the subject, and should the council be pronounced hable they will proceed with the erection of a new bridge at an early date.

VICTORIA, B. C.—A project is on foot in which the Albion Iron-works Company of this city, and English capitalists are interested, for the development of the Sooke iron mines and the utilization of their ores by the establishment of a large manufactory. The company will seek incorporation with a capital of \$5,000,000.—Lenders for the construction of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway will be asked for about the 1st of February.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The Privy Council has approved of the application of the C. P. Railway for permission to build a branch railway from Ayr Station, on the Ontario and Quebec line, to Goldies' Mills.—The Ministers of Railways and Canals was waited upon recently by a large deputation from St. Hyacinthe, Que., who urged that the Government grant a subsidy to the United Counties railway for an extension from St. Hyacinthe to Sorel.

WINDSOR, ONT.—The Government has decided to make extensive alterations to the post office building. Plans for the work have been prepared.—The syndicate of Detroit capitalists who purchased the Boomer street railroad are considering the question of purchasing an electric light plant—Mr Willis Chipman, C E for Toronto, has prepared plans for securing a better water supply. He recommends that the intake pipe be extended to a point above Walkerville, and estimates the cost of the proposed alterations at \$46,000.

HALIFAX, N. S.—Mr. W. H. Ross, C. E. has returned to the city from Cape Breton, where he has been surveying a line of railway from Orangedale to Broad Cove, a distance of about 38 miles. He has been working in the interests of a Nova Scotia company, operating under the charter of the Richmond & Inverness railway. The work of construction will be commenced in the spring.—Tenders are asked by the Board of Works until the 7th of January for the construction of a new road in the neighborhood of the Chain Lakes.

HAMILTON, ONT.-The Finance Committee of the City Council have reported in favor of granting the request of the Hamilton Fair and Agricultural Society for a grant towards the cost of erecting new buildings, the estimated cost of which is \$82,000 .- The City Engineer has coinpleted his report on the proposed mountain drive project. The following is the estimated cost of carrying out the work. Earthwork excavation. \$11,104, rock excavation, \$40,000, drainage of roadbed, etc., \$5,000, Macadam, 20 feet wide. 10,000, wooden bridging near the asylum and north of the Jolley Cut road, \$15,500, dry stone retaining walls, \$5,600, removing overhanging rock and quarry debris, \$1,209, fencing, one side, \$1,600, ditching and culverts, \$1,000. - The capital stock of the Hamilton & Barton Incline Railway wil be increased to \$100,000. - Plans have been prepared for the erection of a new House of Refuge. The specifications call for a building 154 lect a 60 feet, two stories high, with attic and basement, to accommodate 150 to 175 inniates. The cost is estimated at \$10,000.

FORONTO, ONT.—Mr. G. W. Hunter, 86 Czar street, is about to erect a invo-story brick store and dwelling house at 203 Spadina avenue, to cost \$3,800.—The by-law to raise the sum of

\$57,000 for the purchase of sites and the erection of new school buildings was defeated by the rate-payers on Thursday last.—The following building permits have been granted. S. Sanderson & Co., s. w. cor. Bloor and Dundas sis, a story attic and lasement bk, hotel, and to remove back and brick case existing building, cost \$6,000. J. J. Gridham, 306 Dovercourt Rd., pr. s. d. a story and attic bk. dwellings, e. side Huron st., near Dupont st., cost \$16,000; G. W. Hunter, 86 Czar st., 3 story bk, store and dwelling, 203 Spadina ave., cost \$3,000. David Rands three s. d. a story and attic bk. and stone dwellings, 531-35 Sherbourne st., cost \$22,000; Canada Permanen Co., a story bk stable, rear Northern hotel, Vonge st., and Shaftsbury ave., cost \$1,800.

FIRES.

Sullivan's carriage works, 12 Alice street, Toronto, was damaged by fire recently to the extent of \$7,000.-The power house of the Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg Electric railway at Windsor, Ont., was destroyed by fire on Monday iast. The loss is estimated at between \$15,000 and \$20,000.-The Methodist church at Burlington, Ont., was entirely consumed by fire on the 25th inst. Loss, \$12,000, insurance, \$9,000. -A targe stone dwelling at Brockville, Ont., owned by A. S. Ault and occupied by Mr. Pringle, manager of the Bank of Toronto, was destroyed by fire on Sunday morning last. There was no insurance on the building .- G. H. Gardner's grist mill at Brownsville, Ont., was burned on the 27th inst. Loss, \$4,500, insurance \$800.—Fire at Orillia, Ont., on Thursday last, totally destroyed the Coldwater street skating rink, and Mr. Thomas Phillips residence, together with a number of Sheds and stables. Mr. Phillips loss is estimated at \$1,600, the insurance being \$600. The rink was owned by Wm. Thomson,-The following business establishments on St. Paul st., Quebeo, were destroyed by fire on the 29th inst.. Reid. Craig & Co., marine stores, loss \$40,000, insurance, \$25,000. A. B. Dupuis, biscuit factory and confectionery, loss \$40,000, insurance, \$18,000, Mrs. McAnceny, second hand furniture, Francois Droun, cabmeimaket, and William Hackett, steamboat agency office. The aggregate loss amounts to somewhat over \$100,000, one half of which is covered by insurance. The residence of Mr. T. G. Shaughnessy, of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, situated on Dorchester street, Montreal, was damaged by fire on Sunday last to the extent of \$10,000. The extensive saw mills of the Michigan Lumber Co. at Vancouver, B. C., operated by Morse & Boggs, were completely destroyed by fire last week. Loss \$75,000, insurance \$32,000. - J M. Green's planing mill at St. Thomas, Ont., was totally destroyed by fire on the 23rd inst. The loss on machinery is placed at \$6,000, and on building and contents \$4,000.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

SELKIRK, MAN. - The contract for supplying the machinery for the fish hatchery has been awarded to Mr. Andrew Schmidt, of Winnipeg,

OTTAWA, ONT.—Messes, Smart & Co., of Brockville, have been awarded the contract for supplying the furniture for the new Normal school in this city.

CHILLIWHACK, B. C. -Contracts have been