

**HALIFAX, N. S.**—About \$7,000 has been subscribed for erection of an Old Men's Home and an additional \$5,000 left by the late J. Wesley Smith will soon be available. It is expected to commence work next spring. Particulars from C. C. Blackadars.

**SMITH'S FALLS, ONT.**—William Kennedy, C.E., of Montreal, has made an inspection of the waterworks plant and it is understood will recommend the installation of new machinery. — The council intends to submit a by-law to the ratepayers to raise \$14,000 for enlarging and improving the town hall.

**BRANTFORD, ONT.**—The Board of Health have asked the county council to grant \$6,000 to purchase and equip a new isolation hospital for scarlet fever patients.—The council have passed a by-law authorizing the issuing of \$10,000 for erection of new school in west end.—It is proposed to pave some of the principal streets.

**BROCKVILLE, ONT.**—A new opera house for this city is required, and it has been suggested that Victoria Hall be remodelled for that purpose.—It is the intention of the new owners of the Brockville, Westport & North-Western Railway to extend the road to Sault Ste. Marie, Sudbury or North Bay.

**CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I.**—W. C. Harris and C. B. Chappelle have prepared plans for a new Sunday school building for the First Methodist church. Subscriptions will at once be solicited and as soon as \$5,000 is guaranteed the work will be commenced. The estimated cost is \$10,000.

**GALETTA, ONT.**—S. O. Church & Bro., of Sand Point, have an option on property here on which to build a co-opeage stock mill.—An engineer has recently made an estimate of the power to be obtained from developing the water power of Hubbell's falls.

**WINDSOR, ONT.**—Third readings in council have been given to by-laws to convert the central school into a town hall and to raise \$56,000 for pavements.—The Ontario Traction Company, Limited, have a scheme on foot to construct an electric railway from Windsor to Tecumseh.

**ST. CATHARINES, ONT.**—The City Engineer has just taken tenders on construction of 950 feet of ten inch tile sewer, house connections, street gulleys, manholes, etc.—H. J. Mason, president of the Board of Managers of Ridley College, states that subscriptions for the erection of a new building are nearly all in, and that a meeting will be held shortly to arrange for issuing debentures. The proposed college will cost about \$80,000, and will be commenced early in the spring.

**LONDON, ONT.**—The Canadian Fire Underwriters' Association have submitted to the city council a list of the necessary improvements in order to obtain cheaper insurance. These include a new fire engine to cost \$5,000 and new hose to cost \$2,250.—McBride & Farncombe, architects, are this week taking tenders on the new Thomas Alloway Home for Children to be built on the Wharncliffe road in South London. It will be two storeys, of white brick and stone.

**OTTAWA, ONT.**—It is understood that the International Harvester Co. have had plans prepared for buildings to serve as offices, sales rooms and warehouses in various cities throughout the Dominion, and that immediate work will be commenced on a two-storey structure in this city, to cost \$12,000.—The congregation of St. Luke's church have decided to rebuild their church on the corner of Somerset and Arthur streets.

Plans have been prepared by Band, Burritt & Meredith and show a stone structure 75x40 feet with seating capacity for 500. Rev. W. A. Read is pastor of the church.—St. George's church have decided to purchase a lot on Maria street as a site for new Sunday school hall.

**VANCOUVER, B. C.**—The Dominion Minister of Public Works has purchased property at the corner of Granville and Hastings streets as a site for new public buildings, which will contain quarters for all the government officials in Vancouver.—Ontario capitalists, including George Begg, of St. Catharines, and W. H. Merritt, of Toronto, have acquired the charter of the Nicola, Kamloops & Similkameen Coal and Railway Co. and purpose constructing the road at once. Their consulting engineer is C. H. Keefer, C. E., of Ottawa.—The city engineer is preparing plans for proposed improvements at the English Bay beach.—Dalton & Eveleigh, architects, have prepared plans for the new Bank of Nova Scotia block, which will be a single storey, with stone front and large plate glass windows.—Tenders for repairs to the barque Abby Palmer are to be called for shortly.

**MONTREAL, QUE.**—A. E. Abbott, 151 St. James street, wants tenders for removing the brick stable on Peel street belonging to the estate of the late Andrew Allan.—The Dominion Government will award the contract this week for the supply of 6,000 barrels of Portland cement for the Lachine canal.—It is understood that the new military school will likely be erected on the eastern section of Lafontaine park. It will be built of stone.—The management of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company will rebuild the steamer Montreal.—David Seath, secretary Harbor Commissioners, will receive tenders up to Monday, December 7th, for supply of Bank Rouge macadamizing stone and broken and unbroken stone for concrete.—Warden, King & Son have purchased ten acres of land at Maisonneuve on which to erect a new factory building.—The Montreal Brewery Company are having plans prepared for improvements to their brewery buildings in the east end of the city.—The Harbor Commissioners have decided to call for tenders at once for scoria and granite blocks for the wharf sheds, wharves and approaches, also for lumber for next season's requirements.—L. O. David, city clerk, desires tenders by 27th inst. for installation of hot water apparatus, baths, etc., in the scarlatina hospital, 700 Mount Royal avenue, and the diphtheria hospital, 706 Mount Royal avenue.—It is understood that C. A. Reeves, architect, is preparing plans for the reconstruction of Laniel & Company's boot and shoe factory in Maisonneuve.

**HAMILTON, ONT.**—The Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo Railway have made a proposition to build from Brantford to Woodstock provided that sufficient inducements are offered by the muni-

cipalities.—Assessment Commissioner Hall last week had an interview with representatives of the O. M. Edwards Company, which contemplate establishing a branch in Canada for the manufacture of window fixtures and extension trap doors.—The Hamilton Brass Mfg. Co. have been granted a permit for the reconstruction of their factory. The new building will cost \$11,500.—The city council have passed the agreement between the Grand Trunk Railway and the city with reference to the construction of the Ferry and Wellington street bridge.—The city will pay \$8,000 of the cost.—Mrs. Robert Evans has purchased a lot on South Bay street on which to build a residence.—Dr. E. B. O'Reilly has sold his residence at corner Walnut and Main streets and will erect another for himself.—Building permits have been granted to the following: W. J. Lyons, brick dwelling on Grant avenue, between Main and Stinson streets, cost \$1,800; Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo Railway, warehouse building on Wellington, between Simcoe and Ferry streets, cost \$1,775; William Taylor, brick dwelling on Locke street, between Main and King streets, cost \$1,200; C. F. Rymal, residence on Robinson street, cost \$1,500.—The House of Refuge Committee have offered \$700 for the Jobborn property on which it is proposed to build a new Home for Incurables.—The Canadian Corundum Wheel Co. has purchased property on the north side of Barton street and intend building a large and modern factory.

**WINNIPEG, MAN.**—It is reported that the Manitoba government purpose constructing a new legislative chamber building with a provincial library attached, the site to be on Broadway opposite the new lands titles offices.—A Dominion government engineer will shortly make a report on the construction of a railway, vehicular and passenger bridge in connection with the St. Andrews Rapids improvements now under construction. He will also report upon the question of utilizing the water for power purposes.—It is reported that the Dowd Milling Co., of Pakenham, Ont., purpose erecting a new flour mill at some point between Winnipeg and Fort William.—Smith & O'Toole have sold to Robert Muir the property at north-west corner of Carlton and Portage avenue and it is likely that a building will be erected thereon.—It is the intention of the city to construct the following works: Asphalt pavements, Spence street, from Broadway to the Assiniboine river, cost \$10,835; Balmoral Place, from Broadway to Spence street, cost \$10,542; Wellington Crescent, from River avenue to Stradbroke Place, cost \$5,103; Alexander avenue, cost \$5,148; Victor street, from Notre Dame to Wellington avenue, cost \$5,878; Osborne street, from Broadway to Osborne street bridge, cost \$18,000; Assiniboine avenue, from Kennedy street to Osborne street, cost \$10,650; cedar block pavement on lane between Kennedy and Bond streets, cost \$1,545; sewers, Magnus avenue, from Aikins to

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