

5; water main on Dundas street, north Bloor street, and also along Dewson street and McPherson avenue, cost \$6,000.

FIRES.

St. John's Roman Catholic church at Hibby, Ont., almost totally destroyed; insurance \$900.—Mr. Zilliax's hotel at Russell, Ont.; some insurance.—Residence the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, damaged to extent of \$4,000.—Residence Fred Duncan at Millbrook, Ont., totally destroyed.—Shingle mill of Harrison & Hawke at Shallow Lake, Ont., they will re-build.—Cork factory, corner gauchetiere and Chenneville streets, Montreal, owned by John Auld; loss 5,000, partially covered by insurance.—Piano factory of George Ducharme in the End, a suburb of Montreal; loss \$100,000, insurance \$4,000.—The drying building of the Grey & Bruce Cement Co., at Owen Sound, Ont., damaged to extent of \$1,000.—Anglican church at Berheme, Man., burned on the 16th inst.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

TRURO, N.S.—The contract has been let for the building of a contagious hospital here.

LONDON, ONT.—The tender of H. Hara & Co., of Toronto, has been accepted for purchase of \$20,000 county ventures, their figure being 96½.

PETERBOROUGH, ONT.—The Canadian Cordage Co. have placed a \$1,000 order for electrical apparatus with the Canadian General Electric Co.

PARRSBORO, N.S.—W. R. Huntley, in place, has been awarded a contract to build two large coal barges for the Cumberland Railway & Coal Co. They will be built at Riverside.

RIDGETOWN, ONT.—The contract for warming and ventilating new town hall here has been let to the James Hart Mfg. Co., of Brockville, who will build two of their largest Kelsey warm air heaters.

TORONTO, ONT.—Smith & Woods have been given the brick-work contract for two residences to be built on the northwest corner of Maple avenue and St. Andrew road. Balance of contracts not let. H. Herbert, architect.

WIRE NAIL PRICES.

The manufacturers of wire nails in the United States continue to cut prices, and it is predicted that the market has not yet reached bottom. A dispatch from New York, dated December 12th, states that the Union Iron & Steel Company, of Philadelphia, Pa., has made another cut and is quoting \$1.95 per keg in Pittsburg. Several other companies have refused to meet the cut. Over-supply is thought to be the cause of the depression, though all companies appear to be doing a good business and exports of wire products show an unusually large increase over last year. One company refused to sell nails at the extreme

low price is using the products that heretofore have entered into the manufacture of wire nails in the manufacture of finished products for which there is a brisk demand and a wider margin of profit.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following transfers of vacant property in Toronto are reported since last issue:

Kenilworth Ave., c. s., Toronto Mortgage Company to Frank M. Gray, 100x115, being lots 27 and 28, assessed at \$150, no improvements.

Margueretta St., c. s., Martha J. Austen to Geo. H. Sylvester, 20x117, being part lot 40, assessed at \$80; no improvements.

Murray St., e. s., David Fasken to Elizabeth McMullen, 20x100, being north 16 feet lot B, and south 4 feet lot C, assessed at \$1,000, no improvements.

Pine Hill Road, s. s., Horace Thorne to Chas. C. Foster, 1 3-10 acres, being

block D, assessed at \$2,600, no improvements.

Simpson Ave., n. s., People's Loan and Deposit Company to Thomas G. Sister-son, 25x113, being lot 90, assessed at \$200, no improvements.

William Ave., n. s., Alfred Hoskin to John Small, 50x30, being rear 30 feet of lot 64, assessed at \$50, no improvements.

Bloor St., s. s., Fred S. Watson to Hannah Kettle, 100x130, being lots 5 and 6 and easterly 17 feet lot 4, plan 430, block A, assessed at \$400, no improvements.

Sully St., w. s., Geo. Williams to Elizabeth Williams, 19x113, being lot 9, (Continued on page 6.)

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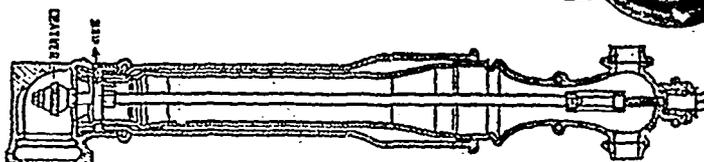
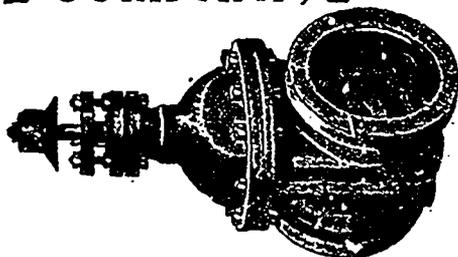
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