

it was decided to proceed at once with the erection of a club house. About \$2,000 is already on hand for the purpose.

DIGBY, N. S.—A. V. Wade, Town Clerk, invites tenders until the 26th inst. for the purchase of \$35,000 of debentures, issued for the purpose of providing a system of waterworks for the town.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The Provincial Legislature has passed the item in the estimates of \$50,000 for the Museum and Art Design building, and \$10,000 for the new Deaf and Dumb Institute building.

AMHERST, N. S.—Tenders are invited by W. F. Donkin, Town Clerk, until the 25th inst. for the purchase of \$25,000 of debentures, \$10,000 for water, \$3,000 for school and \$2,000 for fire purposes.

PORT HOPE, ONT.—The Building Committee appointed to obtain competitive plans for rebuilding Trinity College school consists of Prof. Jones, J. R. Cartwright, Mr. Worrell, and the Head Master of the school.

WINDSOR, ONT.—Mr. McLean, architect, is preparing plans for a pressed brick residence, two stories, basement and attic, for Dr. Soper, to cost \$18,000 also for John Curry's new office building, which will be 85 x 100 feet in size and will cost \$50,000.

QUEBEC, QUE.—The corporation invites tenders, addressed to W. D. Bailairgé, Asst. City Inspector, until Wednesday, the 27th inst., for the annual supplies required for the fiscal year commencing May 1st next. The supplies include nails, stone paving and kerbing, grey broken stone, stone for retaining walls, deals, scannings, gulley wells and catch basins.

CANNING, N. S.—Tenders for the construction of a line of dyke extending from Kingsport along the Habitant river for a distance of two miles are invited until the 30th inst. The work is to be completed before the 10th of September next. Plans may be seen on application to W. R. Butler, C. E., Windsor or to F. W. Borden, of this place, to whom tenders are to be sent.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Building operations in this city for the present year promise to be somewhat brisk, and real estate dealers report the sale of several properties on which new buildings will be erected. Among the dealers who report sales of property for building purposes are J. J. Banfield, B. B. Johnston & Co., T. Matthews, C. S. Douglas & Co. and Powis & Whitehead.

PERTH, ONT.—The Town Council are now considering and getting out plans for the purpose of establishing an arc and incandescent system of electric lighting, and are also discussing the advisability of establishing a system of waterworks in connection therewith. The Council are in some doubt as to whether it would be more profitable to establish waterworks as a municipal work, or to lease the franchise to a company for a number of years.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, MAN.—The Town Council have decided on a scheme to turn the water of the Assiniboine river into the slough which is close to the town and thus create a water course three and a half miles long and 800 yards wide, to be used for boating, etc., and also to improve the sanitation of the town. A new bridge across to the island is also embraced in the project, the cost of which will be \$30,000. A dam will be built across one end of the sluice.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The Ottawa Porcelain and Carbon Company are preparing to erect their proposed building, which will cost about \$20,000.—The Fire and Light Committee have decided to ask the City Council to issue debentures amounting to \$45,000 for the purpose of providing improved fire protection, including two new stations, chemical engines, etc.—Competitive plans for the erection of a

new school building in this city are invited by the Public School Board until noon on Tuesday, April 2nd. Particulars may be obtained from the Secretary, Wm. Rea. Improvements will be made to the Home for the Aged, for which plans are now being prepared.

LONDON, ONT.—Geo. Craddock, architect, invites tenders until the 25th inst. for the erection of additions and alterations to P. S. Perrin & Co.'s warehouse on Dundas street.—The City Council will ask the Legislature for power to issue debentures to replace the wooden bridges on the Port Stanley railroad with iron structures.—Tenders are invited by Moore & Henry, architects, until to-morrow (Friday) at noon for the erection of a general operating room at the City Hospital.—The Building Committee of the Queen's avenue Methodist church has accepted the plans of Mr. Edmund Burke, architect, of Toronto, for the reconstruction of their church building. The building will be 81 x 182 feet, with a main tower 136 feet high, and a second tower 80 feet high. The seating capacity will be 1,650. The Sunday school room will be semicircular, 67 feet in depth. The cost will be about \$65,000.

HAMILTON, ONT.—At a meeting of the Gaol and Court House Committee held last week, it was decided to recommend the Council to erect a gaol building. The cost will probably be about \$50,000.—The Board of Education have again taken up the question of erecting a new Collegiate Institute, and at a recent meeting a motion was carried that steps be taken at once to raise the necessary funds for the purpose. The Board will probably sell some of its property to obtain the amount required.—The question of establishing an electric light plant, to be controlled by the city will be considered at the next meeting of the Board of Works.—The sum of \$7,000 will be required for a permanent pavement on Market Square, and the Finance Committee will probably be asked to provide the funds.—Building permits have been granted as follows: James Dufton, two two-story brick dwellings on Murray street, cost \$2,500; C. Clohery, brick dwelling on Grant avenue, cost \$4,000; James Nehain, brick cottage on Young street, cost \$1,000.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Preparations are being made to commence construction on the continuation of the Baie des Chaleurs railway.—Several changes are to be made in the plans of the new office building of the Montreal street railway at the corner of Craig street and Place d'Armes Hill. Mr. Bruce Price, of New York, and Mr. Hammond, of Cleveland, are the joint architects. The interior of the structure will be entirely remodelled. There will be an almost complete new steel structure inside and the building will be made as fireproof as possible. The stairways and the position of the lift will be altered. Work will be commenced as soon as the weather permits.—The Catholic School Commissioners will proceed at once with the erection of a girl's school in the parish of St. Louis.—The Council of the municipality of St. Laurent have granted a thirty years franchise to the Montreal Park and Island Railway Co. for the operation of an electric railway and lighting system.—Edward Maxwell, architect, has prepared plans for a new block to be erected by J. R. Tooke, at the corner of Peel and St. Catharine streets. The building will be three stories and basement, 51 x 103 feet in size and 55 feet high, built of dressed sandstone of a light buff color. The first two floors will be fitted up for offices. Work will be commenced about the 1st of May.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Property Committee are advertising for offers for a site on which to erect the proposed central fire hall, within the area bounded by Yonge, Queen, Simcoe and King streets.—It is

the intention of the proprietors of the Academy of Music, situated on King street, to make extensive alterations to the building during the coming summer. The roof will be raised, a new gallery put in, and the interior rearranged and decorated. The entrance will also be enlarged and improved.—At a conference between members of the Parks and Gardens Committee of the City Council and directors of the Industrial Exhibition Association held last week, the latter submitted a list of required improvements and alterations to Exhibition buildings which include the enlargement of the main building, a new stove building, enlargement of machinery hall, a new building for a bicycle exhibit, an enlarged fire hall, a better building for the police force, a new ambulance building and patrol waggon, enlargement of the ladies parlors, four sheep pens and four hog pens, each 100 x 52 ft., the total cost of the eight pens being fixed at \$15,200, repainting and making tight the roof of the main building, painting the roof of the annex, repairing the roofs of the machinery, natural history, stove, implement and carriage buildings, and putting in a four inch water main to supply the four big engines in machinery hall. It is estimated that the total cost of carrying out the improvements will be \$100,000. A joint committee was appointed to visit the Exhibition buildings and report.—The recommendations of the Committee on Works for brick pavements on Henry, Ross and D'Arcy streets have been passed by the Executive Committee.—The borings now being made to ascertain the nature of the bed through which the proposed tunnel across the bay must pass, have so far been most satisfactory to the City Engineer; from the information already gathered, it is probable that the cost of the proposed tunnel may be reduced by \$100,000 or \$150,000.—Mr. G. W. Gouinlock, architect, is preparing the necessary working drawings for the new office building to be erected by the Independent Order of Foresters on the north west corner of Bay and Richmond streets. The building will be T shaped 40 x 140 feet, with an addition at the rear 67 x 65 feet and will be eight storeys in height, built of brown stone, pressed brick and terra cotta, and will contain the head offices and court rooms of the order, besides a large number of commercial offices. There will be two electric passenger elevators, and iron and slate staircase. The building will be fireproof and is estimated to cost \$175,000.—At a recent meeting of the Collegiate Institute Board it was decided to obtain estimates of the cost of certain proposed additions and improvements to the Jarvis street school.—R. Ogilvie, architect, 10 King street east, is inviting tenders for all works except carpentry for a solid brick house in Parkdale.—The City Council has passed the Property Committee's report recommending improvements to Yonge street wharf, also the Park Committee's recommendation for improving Queen's Park, in front of the Parliament buildings.—The by-law to provide funds for waterworks extensions and for a civic lighting plant will be submitted to a vote of the ratepayers early in April.—Building permits have been granted as follows: S. F. McKinnon, re-building McKinnon building, Melinda st., cost \$45,000; Alex. Mitchell, 13 Grange ave., det. 2 storey bk. dwelling, s. e. cor. Roncesvalle and Harvard avenues, cost \$4,300; Henderson Estate, alterations and additions to stores, 173-5 Yonge st., cost \$4,000; R. H. Gray, repairs to stores, 8-10 Queen st. w., cost \$4,000; John Wanless, repairs to store, 168 Yonge st., cost \$3,000.

The Canadian Locomotive & Engine Co., of Kingston, Ont., have secured the right to manufacture a patent gas engine for Canada.