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The corporation of Collingwood has been petitioned by property holders along Home and Ontario streets to lay down cement sidewalks on their streets. The petitions are under consideration by the authorities, and the request of the ratepayers will in all probability be granted, which will mean about two miles more of cement sidewalks.

Toronto's estimates for this year cover the following items:—house services, \$6,000; balance of cost of construction of No. 5 engine and altering No. 4 engine, \$10,250; converting No. 2 engine \$40,000; laying new mains, etc., for improvement of water supply and better fire protection, \$38,180; reconstructing old cement mains, \$12,500; fuel economisers, \$8,575.

Tenders will be received by registered post only, addressed to the Chairman of the Board of Control, city hall, Toronto up to Thursday, April 24th, 1897, for the construction of the following works:—Laying and adjusting of a 24 inch water main on Front st., between Simcoe st. and Church st., together with the necessary connections, etc. A macadam roadway on the east side of Queen's Park crescent, from Queen st. College ave. to the road leading to Bloor street.

Ald. Costigan, chairman of the Water Committee has presented a report asking for \$15,000 for laying water mains. Ald. Costigan explained that the money would be expended on streets absolutely requiring the same. If the money was voted the department could commence operations at once. On motion of Ald. Savignac the money was granted, the amount to be taken out of the \$110,000 voted by the Legislature.

Miscellaneous.

Mr. Robson, Agr. will build an elevator with a capacity of 30,000 bushels.

The R. Southam Printing Co., of London, Ont., propose to erect a two-story brick building, corner Bathurst and Richmond streets, cost \$15,000.

In this city Mr. A. Prefontaine has invited tenders for a residence to be built at Pointe aux Trembles for Andre Biset, jr., and tenders have been called for two houses to be erected on Champlain street for Pierre Picott, J. L. D. Lafreniere, architect.

The proprietors of the Winnipeg Gas Works have made a proposition to the City Council to modernize the gas plant and to extend the mains to various parts of the city. The outlay for these improvements is estimated at \$200,000.

Be-linget & Lemay, architects, of Quebec, are preparing plans for repairs to residence for Ignace Blodreau, for interior alterations to the Chambre de Commerce, and for a conservatory of music. G. E. Tanguay, architect, of the same city, is preparing plans for public hot baths there.

The Deputy Minister of Militia, in the annual report of the Militia Department, recommends the establishment of two permanent workshops at Kingston and Quebec for repairs to harness and saddlery and general equipment of the force, also a building for the military at Ottawa.

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NOTE—Above prices do not include cost of glass.

BOXING EXTRA.

It is rumoured to-day that Mr. John Scott, who purchased the Victoria block at Galt, a couple of weeks ago, is going to convert it into a modern opera house. The Buchanans are having plans prepared for their Arcade theatre.

It is rumored that the Lake Megantic Pulp Co. have had strong inducements offered them to remove their pulp mill from Lake Megantic to another part of Canada, and may avail themselves of the offer another year owing to the excessive and unreasonable claims for land damages from parties around Lake Megantic.

The British Yukon Chartered Company now asking for incorporation, proposes to construct a line of railway from the Lynn canal, between the 134th and 135th parallel of longitude over the White Pass to the headwaters of the Yukon river and place a fleet of steamboats on the river, to build a branch line of railway, establish telegraph and telephone lines, control mining and carry on the administration of the District subject to the Dominion Government.

His Excellency Lord Aberdeen has graciously accepted the office of patron of the Architects' Association of the Province of Quebec, as a mark of his appreciation and good wishes for the profession in general and for the association in particular. At a recent meeting of the association, Mr. William C. McDonald was elected as honorary member in recognition of his great generosity in founding, endowing and equipping a chair of architecture in McGill University.

Capt. A. H. Ward is erecting a building at Capetown for the purpose of manufacturing fulminate of mercury. Capt. H. Ward has for some years made the fulminate there and intends to manufacture in still larger quantities this year. Formerly 300 barrels of alcohol were used each time of manufacture, this year 500 barrels will be used, and a bond house, 80 feet in length is being erected to store it in.

In awarding a contract for 4000 feet of hose, the Ottawa Fire and Water Committee have stipulated that the Decarie couplings be supplied for an additional allowance over price of two cents per foot. Three thousand feet of the hose will be supplied by the Toronto Rubber Company, and 1000 by the Boston Belting Company.

The Victoria smelter question has taken another turn. The city council has adopted a report of its special committee suggesting that the Legislature allow the city to bonus the Selover syndicate to the extent of \$150,000, if the syndicate will put up a smelter at Esquimalt. This report was drawn up after consultation with the Board of Trade committee. The \$150,000 is to be given in three annual instalments of \$50,000, if the citizens see their way to pass the necessary by-law and the Legislature allows the course.

The Metallic Roofing Co. have just been awarded the contract for the sheet metal work for the large block of stores at present being erected in Fort William for J. G. King, Esq., covering 100x100 feet. This will be the finest block of stores in the West and will be entirely constructed of galvanized iron, made to details prepared by Messrs. Arnold & Ewart, the architects, of Ottawa. The exterior will be covered with "special" single stone rock faced siding in different sized courses while the interior will be finished with embossed steel ceiling.

The Consumers' Gas Company of Toronto, Ont., will receive tenders for the supply of thirty-five thousand (35,000) tons (of 2,000 lbs.) of Youngbushy or Westmoreland lump gas coal. Also for 3,000 tons of grate-sized screened Buck Mountain or Cross Creek anthracite coal. Gas coal tenders to be made separately for coal screened over three-quarter and one and one-half inch screens. The coal to be delivered in about equal monthly quantities between the first of May any 31st October next.

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