a business office and job room, the second floor as a lodge room, and the third floor for editorial rooms.

DESERONTO, ONT.—Mr. Dalton, reeve, is preparing to build a residence 29×30 feet, with kitchen, on his property on Mill street.

COWANSVILLE, QUE. — The Town Council have under consideration the question of constfucting a waterworks system.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—The City Council have adopted the proposition to establish electric light and gas works, to be controlled by the city.

THOROLD, ONT.—A system of waterworks for the town will probably be constructed, the matter being now under consideration by the Council.

JOLIETTF, QUE.—The town has given a bonus of \$40,000 to the Great Northern railway, \$20,000 being for a branch between Johette and Ste. Jovite.

ROSSLAND, B. C.—At the next session of the local legislature a company will seek incorporation to construct waterworks for Rossland and Trail.

BRIDGEBURG, ONT.—A by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers at the January elections to grant a waterworks and electric light franchise to D. A. Costé.

FENELON FALLS, ONT. — It is stated that J W Howry & Sons are having plans prepared for their new mill, which will probably be located at Peterboro.

SAULT STE. MARIE, ONT. - Additional accommodation is required at the Sault Ste. Marie hospital, and the Ontario government will be asked to grant financial aid.

HUNTINGDON, QUE.—A franchise for electric lighting has been granted to a company in which Mr. Tache is interested. Steps will be taken at once to install the plant.

BERLIN, ONT.—At a special meeting of the Town Council a bonus of \$5,000 was offered to Mr. Hibner towards rebuilding his furniture factory recently burned.

RENFREW, ONT.—B. Dillon, architect, of this town, will receive tenders until the 11th of December for erecting a stone church at Pakenham for the Presbyterian congregation.

LEAMINGTON, ONT.—The question of improving the ventilation of the High School building is under consideration and a committe has been appointed to take action in the matter.

EGANVILLE, ONT.—The Fourth Chute bridge near this village has been condemned, and Mr. J. L. Morris, C. E., recommends the building of an iron bridge in place thereof, at a cost of \$1,500.

LINDSAY, ON1.—At the last meeting of the Town Council a resolution was passed urging upon the Minister of Railways and Canals the necessity of making a grant for the improvement of the Scugog.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—Mr. Black, manager of the street railway, recently returned from New York, where he interviewed the shareholders of the road regarding its conversion into an electric railway.

PORT ARTHUR, ONT.—Two schemes have been mooted, one to build a railway south of the C. P. R. through the Kainy river county, and the other to construct locks and canals from Port Arthur to Winnipeg.

PETERBORO', ONI.—The question of constructing permanent pavements is now being considered by the Town Council. The estimated cost of the work is 550,000per mile. It is probable that vittified brick will be used.

ST. MARYS, ONT.—A by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers for the purpose of raising the sum of \$35,000 for constructing a system of waterworks for the town. Surveys have been made by Messrs. Moore and Newman.

REVELSTOKE, B. C.—The Columbia & Kootenay Railway and Navigation Co. will construct a railway between some point on its present line between Nelson and Robson on the south, and Revelstoke on the north, together with branches.

SAYWARD, B. C.—Application will be made to parliament for the incorporation of a company to construct a railway from this town, extending through Trail and Midway, to a point on Okanagan lake, in the districts of West Kootenay and East Yale.

VICTORIA, B. C.—Hunter & Duff, solicitors, will apply to parliament for incorporation of a company to construct railways from Revelstoke northwards to a point near the junction of Canoe river, with branch lines, bidges, wharves and all other necessary works.

NELSON, B. C.—Bodwell & Irving, solicitors, of this city, are applying to the legislature for an extension of time for the commencement of the works contemplated by the Kootenay Power Company, and for authority to construct tramways from Nelson to any point within a radius of twenty-five miles, and to generate and transmit electricity.

WINDSOR, ONT. — Mr. R. Pence Dupuy, of New Orleans, was recently in the city seeking a location on which a sugar plantation could be established. — The directors of the Y. M. C. A. have received a proposition from the Grand Trunk Railway Co. regarding a site for their proposed building. No definite action in the matter has as yet been taken.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—A resolution has been passed by the City Council instructing the City Engineer to prepare a plan and estimate of cost for converting the market hall into a council chamber and civic offices.—Proposals will shortly be made to the City Council for constructing a smelter and refinery in this city, for which a bonus of \$150,000 will be asked.

OITAWA, ONT.—The Department of Railways and Canals will let contracts for eight small bridges along the Trent Valley canal.—Another drainage proposition has been made to the City Council. It is proposed to expend the sum of $550,\infty0$ for the construction of a new trunk sewer to drain Dalhousie ward.—The Grey Nuns have offered to take over the contagious hospital and remodel the buildings.

LONDON, ONT.—A local company is being organized for the purpose of building a new skating rink.—A large departmental store is to be established in this city A company of outside capitalists have taken over the four stores recently erected on Dundas street by Mr. Higgins, and it is intended, besides connecting the stores, to make a main entrance and extend the buildings.—Moore & Henry, architects, are calling for tenders for a double brick residence for W. Ward.

QUEBEC, QUE.—Building permits have been granted as follows: Reparations of a house for M. Deschambault, 25×30 feet, three stories, brick front; contractor, Moise Cautin; cost \$3,500. Reparations of a house on St. George Hill, for M. H. Dorion.—Tenders for lighting the city with 320 arc lights, equal to 2,000 candle power, are invited until Wednesday, the 20th of December, and are to be addressed to W. D. Buillairge, Assistant City Inspector. A deposit of \$4,000 is required with each tender.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, MAN.—The Town Council have taken up the slough improvement matter, and a by-law will be submitted to the ratepayers to raise 40,000 for the purpose of damming the Assimboine, flooding the slough and bridging it to the island, and developing water power. Engineer Webber, in his

report, estimates as follows. Dam across the Assiniboine river, \$22,000, canal from Assiniboine to slough, \$4,800, small bridge over the canal at Ogletree's, \$300; lower dam near outlet of the slough, \$3,000; excavation of dykes, \$500; bridge across the new bay to the island, \$5,000.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—Tenders are invited by C. H. Peters for the erection of a large warchouse, 170 feet long, on Rodney wharf. Mr. Peters has also secured a site for a large warchouse to be erected in the spring at the head of the same wharf.—Steps are being taken to organize another electric lighting company in this city.—In view of the collapse of the harbor improvements, it is probable that the council will build a solid wharf on the plans prepared by Mr. Hurd Peters, C. E, and that the work will be let by contract.—An application has been received from the commissioners of the free public library requesting the city to erect a new library building, at a cost of \$15,000.

HAMILTON, ONT.-Wm. & Walter Stewart, architects, have prepared draw-ings for the following : Office building for the Westinghouse Air Brake Co.; alterations to F. Turner's residence, Queen street south : mausoleum for the Hamilstreet south; mausoleum for the ton cemetery .- In connection with the sewage interception works the City Engineer thinks that by tapping the Ferguson avenue sewer at the corner of Kelly and Cathcart streets with a 15 inch pipe, the dry weather flow could be conveyed to the east end sewer, at the corner of Cannon street and Victoria avenue, thus reducing the nuisance at the outlet of the Ferguson avenue sewer.-A London gentleman has been negotiating for the purchase of the stores on the south side of King street, between the Canadian Bank of Commerce and the Bank of British North America, the object being to secure the property as a site for a large hotel, to cost \$50,000.-Improvements are now being made to the Hamilton and Dundas railway, in connection with which'a new steel bridge will be erected beyond Ainslie Wood. - Building permits have been issued as follows : E. & C. Truscott, two storey brick dwelling on East avenue north, cost \$1,000; Coleman Lumber Co., two-storey brick dwelling, corner York aud Caroline streets, cost \$1,400.

TORONTO, ONT.-A committee of the York County Council visited York Mills for the purpose of examining the wooden bridge there. The County Engineer has recommended that it be replaced by a stone structure 220 feet in length by 18 feet wide. - The City Commissioner has recommended the extension of the city wharf at the foot of Yonge street a dis-tance of 80 feet. The cost is estimated at \$5,000.-Improvements are to be made to the Rossin house, including the construction of a large and handsome rotunda, the tiling of the first and second flats, the introduction of electric light, new elevators, a new office, and a new grand staircase. The cost of the improvements will be about \$75,000, and plans are now in course of preparation. The hotel is owned by Dr. Wm. Chewett.—Mr. W. J. Gage states that the main building of the Hospital for Consumptives at Gravenhurst is nearing completion, but it is proposed to erect some twelve cottages, each having accommodation for from four to six patients .- The Metropolitan Street Railway will probably be extended to Lake Simcoe, in which case an additional power house will be erected at Newmarket or Aurora.-The City Engineer has recommended the construction of the following: Sidewalks-six-foot concrete on the north side of Bloor, from Yonge to Jarvis; 4 foot wooden, Mutual street, east side, from Gerrard to Carlton street ; 6 foot wooden, around Holy Trinity church, Trinity square ; 6 foot wooden, Charles street, south side, from Jarvis to Church ; 6 foot

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