

one room at Kew Beach school, four rooms at Morse street, Winchester, Dufferin, Rosedale, Ryerson, Palmerston avenue, and Gladstone avenue schools, six rooms at Borden street school and Queen Victoria school, and two rooms at Brock avenue and Clinton street schools. The estimated cost is placed at \$110,000, which amount the City Council will be asked to place in the estimates for the year.—It is probable the spire of Knox church, which was destroyed by the recent fire, will be rebuilt. The bell which was destroyed weighed slightly over a ton and cost \$900, but the total loss is covered by insurance.—It is proposed to erect a wagon shed at Agnes street police station at a cost of \$1,300.—The proposed new police station at Centre Island will cost \$850.—The City Commissioner estimates that it will cost \$2,000 to repair the buildings on the approaches to Yonge street wharf.—J. J. McLaughlin has decided to rebuild his mineral water factory on Sherbourne street as soon as the weather permits. Electric power will be used instead of steam as formerly.—The statement has been published that within the last few days Mr. S. F. McKinnon had decided on the erection of a large hotel on the northeast corner of York and Wellington streets, at a cost of \$500,000, and that the plans had been prepared by Mr. E. B. Jarvis. Mr. Jarvis states that plans were prepared some time ago for a large hotel, but that no further steps have been taken in the matter and consequently no decision to erect the building has as yet been reached.—The supplementary estimates of the Parks and Gardens Committee provide for an expenditure of \$1,700 in Queen's avenue improvements, \$2,802 in improvements in Queen's park, and \$10,000 for new sheep and pig pens at the Exhibition grounds.—In his fortnightly report presented to the Board of Works on Monday, the City Engineer recommended a brick pavement on concrete on Henry street, cost \$8,460, a brick pavement on concrete on Ross street, cost \$4,840, a brick pavement on concrete on D'Arcy street, from Spadina to McCaul, cost \$14,370, and a cedar block pavement on Nassau street, from Spadina to Bathurst, cost, \$4,360. The items passed the Board.—The estimates of the Works and Waterworks departments were presented at the meeting of the Board of Works on Monday. Among which were the following items: Works department, roadways, \$57,000; repairing intersections and asphalt pavement and repairing plant, \$11,000; sidewalks and crossings, \$30,500; repairing track allowances, \$6,000; bridge repairs, \$9,800; bridge at Cherry street, \$4,500; dredging slips, \$3,000; level crossings, \$3,000; steam road roller, \$3,500; dredge, \$18,000; ramp John st. bridge, \$10,000; city's share York street bridge, \$60,000. Waterworks department, new six foot steel intake pipe to replace the present wooden conduit, \$75,000; tunnel under the bay, \$450,000; 36-inch main to reservoir, from intersection of Bathurst and College streets, \$135,500; 24-inch main on Front street, from Simcoe to Sherbourne street, \$40,000; branch pipes and feeders, \$22,400; 12-inch main on Avenue road, from Bloor street to Davenport road, \$5,500; connecting district east of Don and north of Gerrard street to high level district, to give better fire protection, \$2,600; replacing 4-inch mains in Parkdale by larger mains, \$20,000; construction and renewals, \$98,045. The estimates of the Works department were considered by the Board and reduced by \$13,690; those of the Waterworks branch will be considered at a special meeting to be held shortly.—A boiler for the Island lighting plant, to cost not more than \$1,000, will be advertised for.—Building permits have been granted as follows: M. S. Kellow, 247 Brunswick ave., pr. 2 story and attic bk. dwellings, 257 Howland ave., cost \$5,000; Jas.

Mannell, improvements to Tremont House, Yonge st., cost \$3,000; Henderson & Small, agents, 3 storey add., rear 440 Yonge st., cost \$2,300; Alex. Manning, rebuilding and add. storey to building, n. w. cor. Yonge and Melinda sts., cost \$10,000.

FIRES.

The machine shop of E. W. Stickney's agricultural works at Newbury, Ont., was totally destroyed by fire on the 8th inst. Loss, \$10,000; no insurance.—The Farnham Hotel at Farnham, Que., was destroyed by fire on Monday last, together with the adjoining building. The buildings were the property of E. Archambault, and are a total loss. Loss, \$7,000; insurance, \$4,000.—The residence of Mr. Goodyear, at Stonewall, Man., has been burned.—T. G. Lynde & Co.'s tannery building at Madoc, Ont., was burned last week. Loss, \$2,000; insurance, \$1,000.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

YARMOUTH, N. S.—The contract for the erection of the new Baptist church here has been awarded to J. Treen.

MONTREAL, QUE.—W. McLea Walbank, architect, has awarded the contract for the furnishing and the interior woodwork of J. Palmer & Son's store to Tees & Co.

STRATFORD, ONT.—James Dunn has been awarded the contract for the masonry work of the new fire hall, at the price of \$1,782, and John Becker the carpenter work, at \$1,212.

MONCTON, N. B.—The Council has accepted tenders for fire hose as follows: Toronto Rubber Co., 500 feet new surprise double jacket at 70 cents per foot; Gutta Percha Co., 500 feet rubber lined Baker fabric at 90 cents. The other tenderers were T. McAvity & Sons, St. John, and Revere Rubber Co., Boston.

HILLSBURG, ONT.—The contracts for building a Presbyterian manse here have been awarded as follows: Brick-work, Puckering & Robinson; stone-work, Martin & Rodgers; carpenter-work, Rowan Bros.; painting, Fuller & Allen; tinsmithing and plumbing, Henry McClellan. The plans were drawn by Mr. Bailey, of Orangeville.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Board of Works have accepted the following tenders for paving the track allowance on Avenue road: Construction and Paving Co., from Bloor street to Davenport road, asphalt and scoria block, \$11,112; asphalt and granite sets, \$10,278; D. L. VanVlack, from Davenport road to C.P.R. tracks, cedar blocks on concrete, with granite toothing, \$3,220.

BUSINESS NOTES.

F. Mongeon & Fils is a new firm of contractors and joiners in Quebec City.

Thompson & Morrison, plumbers, Amherst, N. S., have been succeeded by C. A. Lusby & Co.

McCurdy, Wilson & Hill, builders and manufacturers of furniture, Truro, N. S., have assigned, with liabilities of \$6,000.

J. W. Kellar & Co., manufacturers of sewer pipe, cement, etc., Victoria, B. C., have recently commenced the manufacture of floor and hearth tiles.

John Edington, formerly engineer of the Moncton, N. B., Water Co., has been appointed to fill the same position under the city's management of the waterworks.

It is said the firm of C. B. Wright & Sons, cement manufacturers, of Hull, Que., have arranged a settlement with their creditors which will enable them to resume business at an early date.

The new glass works at Wallaceburg, Ont., are expected to commence operations

about the end of April. The officers of the company are: President, Capt. J. W. Steinhoff; vice-president, Dr. Geo. Mitchell; secretary-treasurer, Mr. A. G. Laird; directors, Capt. Jno. Scott and Messrs. D. A. Gordon, Harry Martin, J. H. Fraser and Harvey Morris. The superintendent is Mr. R. Davis.

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