CONTRACTS OPEN.

HOBART, ONT.—James Bell is building a residence.

ACTON, ONT. - Subscriptions are being taken to build a new church.

FAIR VALLEY, ONT.—George Overend is preparing to build a residence.

PARRY SOUND, ONT.—Excavations are being made for the new post-office.

COBDEN, ONT.—W. A. Otto will shortly commence the erection of a residence.

BRANDON, MAN.—Senkbeil & Merner propose establishing a felt factory here.

BRYSON, ONT.—James McLean, sash and door manufacturer, intends enlarging his premises.

BATHURST, N.B.—Work has been commenced on a new Catholic school building, to cost \$2,000.

WINGHAM, ONT.—The trustees of School Section No. 6 purpose erecting a new school building.

PRESTON, ONT.—Plans of a new market building have been prepared by Mr. Charles Mogk, of Waterloo.

GOLDEN, B.C.—The C.P.R. has decided to establish work-shops here. Car repairing shops will also be built.

WINDSOR, N.S.—W. R. Buder, A.M., I.C.E., wants tenders for the supply of a quantity of railway sleepers for export.

MIDDLETON, N.S.—The Commercial Bank of Windsor has purchased property on which a bank building will be erected.

PORT CREDIT, ONT.—Thomson & Blakeley have purchased the planing mill property and purpose adding new machinery.

TILSONBURG, ONI.—The Fire, Water and Light Committee has been instructed to procure plans for an electric fire alarm system.

WAISORD, ONL.—The contract for completing the Kingston drain will be let at the town hall, Warwick village, on August 2nd.

REVELSTOKE B. C.—The Revelstoke Water, Light & Power Company will immediately put in an electric light and power plant.

ST. LAMBERT, QUE—Drummond, Mc-Call & Co., who have been given the contract for a waterworks system, will shortly commence work.

AMHERTSBURG, ONT -- The ratepayers will vote on a by-law to grant \$25,000 as a bonus to the Windsor, Amherstburg & Lake Erie Railway.

MELROSE, ONT.—Steps have been taken to secure the erection of a Methodist parsonage, and tenders for construction will shortly be invited

WOODSTOCK, ONT.—A by-law will be submitted to the ratepayeps to provide \$4,650 for the purchase of a site and the erection thereon of a fire hall.

WATERLOO, ONT.—Plans are being prepared for a new church to be built here.—A. B. McBride, town clerk, wants tenders by Tuesday next for cement walks.

STRATFORD, ONT. H. T Barker wants tenders for slating two schools. The city council have decided to lay a 4 inch water main along Brunswick street to the new flax mill.

St. JOHN, N.B.—The question of paving streets with granite is under consideration by the city council, and tenders for the work will probably be invited at an early date.

PEMBROKE, ONI. Plans of the sewerage system, as prepared by Mr. Morris, have been submitted to the Provincial Board of Health, and a favorable report thereon is expected.

HULL QUE.—The Presbyteman church congregation have purchased a lot with a view to erecting a manse thereon.—Mr. Hibbert, C.E., will make an estimate of

the cost of extending the waterworks system.

HALIFAX, N.S.—John E. Woods, secretary Provincial Exhibition Commission, invites tenders until Saturday, July 24th, for furnishing one 50 h.p. engine, two 50 h.p. boilers and one 70 h.p. boiler.

SMITH'S FALLS, ONT.—On August 14th the ratepayers will vote on a by-law to provide \$2,500 for extending the Beckwith street sewer and for a new system of heating and ventilation at the central school.

EDMONTON, N. W. T.—E. F. E. Roy, Ottawa, wants tenders before August 6th for the construction of three piers and two abutments for a bridge, according to plans and specifications to be seen at the office of the town clerk.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—The American Electric Power Company, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., has petitioned the Ontario Government to run a cable for the transmission of electricity from the American side to the Ontario bank.

ESSEX, ONT.—A by-law has been pussed by the Council of the County of Essex to provide for raising \$10,000 by the issue of debentures for the purpose of paying for improvements at the court house and gool at Sandwich.

SINCOE, ONT.—An agitation is on foot to lower the level of Lake Simcoe about two feet by blasting away a reef of rock at the northern outlet. It is estimated that an expenditure of \$100,000 would reclaim valuable land in the townships of East King and West Gwillimbury.

ST. JOHN, N.B.—It is stated that a syndicate purposes erecting a large pulp mill, to cost about \$100,000.—A report has been presented to the Common Council recommending the establishment of a pumping station at Silver Falls, to improve the water supply The cost is estimated at \$320,000.

PFTERBORO', ONT - At a meeting of the promoters of the Cobourg, Northumberland & Pacific railway held in this city, Mr. R. Mulholland was elected president. Plans were submitted showing proposed changes in the route, and it is expected that construction will be commenced at an early date.

INCERSOLL, ONT.—W. R. Smith, town clerk, will receive proposals until Saturday next for the purchase of \$35,144 of debentures.—The town clerk asks tenders until July 30th for draining, grading and paving with macadam and cobble-stone a portion of Thames street. Plans at office of town clerk, or Davis & VanBuskirk, engineers, Stratford.

Moncton, N.B.—Elliott & Hopson, architects, of Halifax, have prepared plans for a two-storey school building, containing sixteen departments, besides halls, teachers' rooms, library, etc.—The new I. C. R. station will be built of buff brick, with trimmings of red sandstone, the latter to be obtained from the Amherst red stone quarries.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Mr. George Browne, architect, has prepared plans for a stone school house to be built at Minnedosa, tenders for which are now invited.—Tenders will be invited at once for a sewer on Penbina st. and a granolithic walk on Princess street.—It is rumored that the C.P. R. is to be extended west from Reston in to the Pipestone country.

QUEBFC, QUE.—The agreement between the city and the Quebec Exposition Company has been concluded, by which the latter agree to erect its buildings at Stadacona, and to contribute \$6,000 to the erection of an iron bridge across the St. Charles river.—W. D. Baillairge, assistant city inspector, will receive tenders until the 27th inst. for repairs to metal roof of Champlain market, and until August 4th for the construction of a retaining

VICTORIA, B.C.—In connection with the scheme of the West Kootenay Light & Power Co., it is proposed to build a large central compressor at Rossland.—J. Gerhard Tiarks has prepared plans for a bungalow residence for Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney, to be built on Rockland avenue.—The city council will submit a by-law to the voters to provide \$14,000 for the erection of an Admiral's residence.

CORNWALL, ONT.—George S. Jarvis, town clerk, will receive tenders until Friday, August 6th, for the purchase of \$98,000 of water works debentures.—Mr. A. W. Campbell, provincial road instructor, was recently in town in the interests of good roads. He has recommended the council to buy a steam roller and crusher, and the matter will be taken up at a special meeting of the council to be held next week.—A petition is in circulation requesting the council to build a granolithic walk on Second street.

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—A special meeting of the Electric Street Railway Committee was held last week to consider a proposition made by Mr. J. H. Still to electrify the street railway. No decision, however, has as yet been reached. The proposed track would be six miles is length, and would cost probably \$80,000, exclusive or power house.—The proposition to build a new school house, at a cost of \$35,000, is meeting with opposition.—Robertson, Lindsay & Wilcox will remodel the old Cochrane building and erect a departmental store.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Power & Son, architects, as requested, have recommended that repairs be made to the city hall. They advise that the woodwork of the perpendicular parts from the main windows down be covered with galvanized iron, that the columns and bases be replaced in iron, and that the risers throughout be covered with iron.—William Newlands, architect, has received instructions from Ottawa to proceed with the demolition of the gorge wall of Fort Henry.

OTTAWA, ONT.—E. F. E. Roy, secretary Department of Public Works, wants tenders until Friday, August 13th, for the construction of a breakwater at Summerside, P.E.I. Plans may be seen at the offices of J. B. Hegan, Charlottetown; C. E. W. Dodwell, Halifax, W. J. McCordack, St. John, and at the above department.—Surveys are being made of the route of the New York & Ottawa railway, and construction will shortly be commenced.—The plans of a main drainage scheme submitted by Mr. Rudolph Herring, C.E., of New York, are now under consideration by the city council.

LONDON, ONI. Tenders are invited

LONDON, ONT. Tenders are invited until Saturday next for the erection of a double dwelling house. Plans on application to G. C. Joliy, Fullerton street.—The city engineer has prepared estimates for laying a conduit pipe from Murray's Springs to the pumping station at Spring-bank.—The Frost Wire Fence Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, are considering the establishment of a factory in Canada, and will probably locate in this city.—The recent shortage in the water supply has caused the city authorities to discuss the advisability of creeting a storage reservoir.—By an electric storm about fifty telephones in this city were burned out.

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Hamilion, Ont.—Lenders are asked by T. Beasley, city clerk, for the construction of a new roof on the city gaol. Plans at the office of A. W. Peene, architect.—Building permits have been granted as follows. Alex. Mercer, three two-storey brick dwellings, corner Duke and Queen streets, cost \$6,000; Stewart McPhie, rebuilding McLaren mission, cost \$800; Anderson & Kidd, two-storey brick dwelling on Napier street for R. Allan, cost \$1,100; Stewart McPhie, two-storey brick dwelling for William Wyndbam, cost \$1,800.—The Sun Life Assurance Company have