Doran, architect, and it is probable that work on the new structure, which will con tain improvements, will be commenced early in the spring.—Mesnard & Daoust, architects, are preparing plans for a church, two colleges and one convent, tenders for which will be invited shortly. It is rumored that the governors of the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, are considering plans for a \$100,000 extension.

#### FIRES.

A business block at Carleton Place, Ont., owned by Wm. McDiarmid and George Keys, was burned on Monday last.—The G. T. R. station at Severn Bridge, Ont., was totally destroyed by fire on the 1st inst.—James Waddell's residence, one mile from Sunderland, Ont., has been burned. Insurance, \$400.—Richardson Brothers' elevator at Kingston, Ont., was recently consumed by fire, at a loss of \$60,000. The owners will rebuild at a loss of \$60,000. The owners will rebuild at once.—The dwelling of Gordon Baker, jr., at Osnabruck Centre, Ont., was destroyed by fire on Saturday night.—The Western Hotel at Thamesville, Ont., was damaged by fire on the 3rd inst.—The works of the People's Heat and Light Company, at Halifax, N.S., were recently partially destroyed by fire. The loss is covered by insurance.—The premises of the American insurance.—The premises of the American Tire Company, King street west, To-ronto, suffered \$6,000 damage by fire last week.—Falardeau's hotel at Lake St. Charles, near Quebec, has been burned. It was insured for \$2,800.—The shoe and larrigan factory and shingle mill of W. H. Lawrence & Co., at Burtt's Corner, eighteen miles above Fredericton, N. B., on the Woodstock branch of the C.P.R., was burned on Friday of last week .- Perine & Co.'s wool and twine mills at Doon, Ont., on the Galt & Elmira branch of the Grand Trunk Railway, were completely destroyed by fire on Tuesday last. The loss is

#### CONTRACTS AWARDED.

CHELSEA, QUE.—A contract has been given for repairs to the Catholic church.

STE. CUNEGONDE, QUE.-The Dominion Rubber Co. have been awarded the contract for 500 feet of fire hose, at 85 cents per foot.

OTTAWA, ONT. - The contract for masonry on the Soulanges canal, recently taken from Mr. Archie Stewart, has been re-let by the Dominion government to Ryan & Macdonald.

LONDON, ONT.—A. J. Brown, of Toronto, whose tender was accepted for several sections of the sewerage system, but who wished to amend his tender on the ground of error, has finally signed the contract at the original figure.

VICTORIA, B. C.—G. C. Hinton & Co. have secured the contract for electric lighting and bell work for the new addition to the Dominion Hotel. A. Sheret, of Fort Street, secured the contract for the plumbing and sanitary arrangements.

BROCKVILLE, ONT .- The Councils of Leeds and Grenville have awarded contracts as follows in connection with improvements to the jail and the erection of jailer's residence: Iron work, Hamilton steam heating, Brown & Semple, Brock-ville; alterations to jail and jailer's resi-dence, R. Johnson, Brockville.

PEMBROKE, ONT. — James Fowler, American consul, and a prominent contractor of Amprior, have been awarded the contract for building the Pembroke broke Southern Railway from Pembroke to Golden Lake, on the Ottawa, Arnprior & Parry Sound railway, a distance of about forty miles. It is understood that the contract figure is in the neighborhood of \$200,000. Mr. Fowler states that surveyors will be sent out immediately to make the final survey, and that contracts for material, etc., will be given out at once

OURBEC, OUR .- The contracts for the improvement of the interior and exterior of St. Peter church, Kiviere du Sud, has been awarded to Mi. St. Hilaire, of St. Romuald. The amount of contract is about \$8,000. Tanguny & Vallee are the architects.—Contracts have been awarded as follows for the restoration of Geo. Chateauvert's house on St. Gabriel street: Carpentry, M. DeVarennes; masonry, Emile Cote; plumbing, O. Picard & Son; roofing, Ph. Dallaire.

HULL, QUE.-The Waterworks Committee have recommended the acceptance of the following tenders for supplies for the extension of the waterworks system: St. Lawrence Foundry Co., of Toronto, 500 tons of pipe at \$23.70 a ton. Lawson, Hull, 47 hydrants at \$20 each: special castings to the same firm. & Co., Montreal, pig lead; 5 valves at \$4.50; 6 valves at \$9.10; 8 valves at Laverdure, of Ottawa and Hull, lead pipes, 5 valves at \$7.50, 4 valves at \$5.50, nozzles (Montreal pattern) 18 cents. Valves, stopcocks, 40 cents, yarns at \$5.50. There were no tenders for service boxes.

MONTREAL, QUE. - A building permit has been granted for a building, stone and brick, on Berri street, for Jos. Carriere; masonry contractor, Louis Ouiment; carpentry, Jos. Carriere.—The contract for heating the new Mechanical and Mining Engineering building of the McGill uni versity has been awarded to Garth & Co. The contract includes 800 square feet of radiation.—A. C. Hutchison, architect, has accepted the following tenders for a building on Stanley street for Andre Smith: Masonry, J. H. Patterson; carpenter and joiner's work, Thos. Ford; roofing, G. W. Reid; plumbing and heating, Jas. Hutchison; bricklaying, W. Peel; plastering, Knott & Gardiner; painting and glazing, Castle & Son; ironwork, Dominion

Bridge Co.-The contract for doors, sash and mouldings for the C.P.R. east end station has been awarded to W. Baril, who will also supply the sash for the manufactory of the company at Hochelaga.—A. Levegne, architect, has let the contract for a house on Jardin street, four tene-ments, stone and brick, gravel roofing, for J. A. Lefebore, to Jos. Guertin.—Arthur St. Louis, architect, has let the contract for the carpenter and joiner's work of a house for J. B. St. Louis to Soucisse &

TORONTO, ONT.-II. F. electrical contractor, 77 Adelaide east, has been awarded the electric work in connection with the Lawlor building, corner King and Yonge streets.—The Sites and Buildings Committee of the Separate School Board have recommended that the following tenders for the erection of a four-room school on McDonnell tion of a four-room school on McDonnell square be accepted: Mason and brickwork, William Keane, \$2,299; carpentering, T. Cooney, \$1,995; slating and tinsmithing, J. P. O'Hearn, \$312; plastering, James Laikin, \$279; painting and glazing, John J. Brennan, \$175; plumbing and heating, W. J. McGuire & Co., \$785; total, \$5,845.—On Tuesday last the Board of Control accepted tenders for annual supplies for 1898 as follows: Coal and wood, Standard Fuel Company, \$5.10 for hard coal, and \$3,89 and \$4.40 for soft for hard coal, and \$3.89 and \$4.40 for soft coal per ton. Brass and bronze castings, Dean Bros. Cast iron pipe, St. Lawrence Foundry Company, at \$3.12 for 4-inch, \$4.63 for 6-inch, and \$13.13 for 12-inch. Sand, east of Simcoe street, E. Ashton & Son, Queen street east, at 63½ cents; west of Simcoe, John Mullen, at 60 cents per cubic yard. Paving brick, east of Simcoe street, Don Valley Company, west of Suncoe street, Ontario Paving Company, each at \$14 75 per 1000 for No. 1 and \$9 per 1000 for No. 2 brick. Hydrants, three way, St. Lawrence (Continued on page 4).

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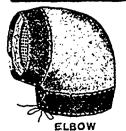
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