

F. Harrison & Co. was demolished by a windstorm on Sunday last; loss \$10,000. The residents on Howe Island are moving in the direction of securing the construction of a bridge, and have offered to contribute \$10,000 towards the project. An Ontario government engineer has estimated the cost at \$30,000. The distance from shore to shore is about 1,300 feet.

HAMILTON, ONT.—A. L. Pentecost has purchased the property at the northwest corner of York and Macnab streets. It is said that he purposes building a departmental store thereon.—Mr. Patterson, architect, has prepared plans for the changing of the old stone building at the corner of James and Hunter streets into a block of stores and a music hall.—The executive committee of the Y.M.C.A. have decided to thoroughly renovate the rooms during the coming summer. New furniture will be purchased.—The Harbor Committee has suggested that the council send a deputation to Ottawa to urge upon the government the necessity of making improvements to the harbor.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—An architect is preparing an estimate of the cost of rebuilding the Manitoba hotel.—The McClary Manufacturing Company, of London, Ont., have acquired property just east of the Tribune office, and will erect thereon a four-storey and basement brick warehouse, 47 x 135 feet.—The council is in favor of the city engaging in the business of providing electric power and lighting for commercial as well as municipal purposes.—The city engineer has been instructed to invite tenders up to April 5th for the supply of 330 tons of asphalt.—The construction of a number of pavements and sewers has been recommended by the Board of Works. The building of the city morgue and improvements to the police station are under consideration.

VICTORIA, B.C.—The provincial supplementary estimates were presented to the House last week, and include the following: Asylum for Insane, \$18,000; Rossland court house, \$9,000; Nelson court house, \$5,000; New Westminster court house, construction and furniture, \$30,000; alterations to Victoria court house, \$12,000; Land Registry office, Victoria, \$10,000; lock-up at Cascade, \$250; lock-up at Cranbrook, \$1,000; recorder's office and lock-up at Stikine river and Lake Bennett, \$8,000; public schools at Fairview, Nelson, Revelstoke, North Bend, Lillooet, Ashcroft, Wardner, Trout Lake, Golden, Alert Bay, Cascade City, Cranbrook, Fernie, Harrison, Hot Springs, Nelson (East End), Peachland, Slocan City, Silverton, Wellington, Grand Forks, Elk Lake, Greenwood City, Campbell Creek, Sandon, Columbia, New Denver, and elsewhere, \$35,000; protection works at Quesnelle Forks, \$2,000, and at Revelstoke, \$40,000; to complete and finish the parliament buildings, \$20,000; roads, streets and bridges in Atlin and Lake Bennett sections, \$5,000; South Vancouver trunk road, \$10,000.

OTTAWA, ONT.—A meeting of the county council will be held on the 18th instant, when the question of preventing a recurrence of the Rideau floods will be considered.—A. E. Provost, of the Separate School Board, will receive tenders up to the 10th inst. for building a school house for the French section. Plans at office of P. Latour, 304 Sparks street.—Tenders close on the 9th inst. for the completion of the church of the Sacred Heart.—Plans are being prepared for a cold storage building, 50 x 60 feet, two storeys and basement, to be built by John Ferguson.—It is probable that the contract will be awarded this week for the erection of the new scientific and museum building in connection with the University, which will cost about \$40,000.—The Ottawa Suburban Electric Company, of

which George E. Kidd is solicitor, will seek a charter from the Dominion government at the coming session. The proposed road will extend to Skead's Mills and Windermere.—John Galt, city engineer, wants tenders by 14th inst. for supply of cast iron pipe, castings, valves, hydrants, brass work, fire alarm supplies, lead pipe, hardware and oils.—T. L. Wilson, of St. Catharines, purposes establishing a calcium carbide factory here.—The Cobourg, Northumberland and Pacific Railway Co. is applying to parliament for an extension of time in which to commence their undertaking.—Building permits have been granted as follows: Alice Bethune, dwelling on Hickey street, cost \$1,800; Alfred Ouillette, frame dwelling on Victoria street, cost \$1,000; Dr. Routhier, two dwellings and office, Daly ave., cost \$4,000; J. M. Cromwell, row of dwellings on Lisgar street, cost \$2,000.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Plans have been completed for the new car sheds on Upper St. Denis street for the Montreal Street Railway Company, to be 250 x 100 feet, of corrugated iron, with steel frame.—The National Lacrosse Club have decided to secure new grounds, which will be fitted up in first-class shape and a grand stand erected.—The proposition to remodel the Board of Trade building is again being discussed, and it is believed that the Committee of Management will take some steps in this direction at an early date.—Mr. Janin, acting superintendent of waterworks, has presented to the council a statement of the appropriations required for needed permanent works during the year. These include the following: New meters, \$1,056; new mains to supply services, \$616; connecting mains, \$6,500; laying of new private services, \$19,889; to rebuild the division wall of the McTavish reservoir, and to concrete both reservoirs, \$81,279; to increase working capacity of machinery and boilers, \$62,000; changing motive power from vapor to electricity, \$15,000; rebuilding of boom, \$3,000; changing the course of ditches, \$9,000.—Perrault & Mann, architects, have submitted to the Health Committee a proposition to prepare plans for the proposed city hospital.—Sketch plans have been prepared of the market building which it is proposed to erect on the Champ de Mars, and which will be 720 feet in length.—It is intended to asphalt the entire market.

TORONTO, ONT.—Mr. E. J. Lennox, architect, has prepared plans for a 5 storey block to be built at the corner of Queen and Terauley streets by Mr. Alexander Manning, to be of pressed brick and cut stone, with entrances off Queen and Terauley streets, the corner to be fitted up as a bank and the remainder of the building as stores and offices. Mr. Lennox is also preparing plans for the reconstruction of McConkey's restaurant on King street. The building immediately to the west has been secured, and will be fitted up as a first-class restaurant, with private supper rooms, ball rooms, etc., on upper floors. The main floor will be converted into a large palm garden, divided into apartments for private parties, the interior fittings to be finished in staff and mahogany.—It is stated that a new theatre will be built on the site of the old Bijou theatre on Yonge street, and that building operations will commence at an early date.—Mr. C. J. Beacham, manager-director of the Arlington Hotel Company, has submitted a proposition for the purchase of the old Upper Canada College property. It is believed that Mr. Beacham is representing a syndicate of capitalists who have a scheme for improving the street in that locality.—Mr. D. B. Dick, architect, has been commissioned to make alterations in the premises at 17 and 19 Toronto street for the Consumers' Gas Company. The partition wall between

the two buildings will be removed and a stone front put in. An elevator will also be added.—Messrs. Bond & Smith, architects, have prepared plans for the remodelling of the Union Bank on Wellington street. The premises are to be brought forward to the street line and a new front put in.—An extensive addition will be made to the factory of Christie, Brown & Co., at a cost of \$20,000, some of the contracts being already let. The old building is to be raised two storeys.—The Board of Management of the Working Boys' Home have decided to remove to new quarters. An effort will be made to secure a new site and erect thereon a more adequate building, at a cost of \$20,000.—The trustees of Knox church now have a bill before the Ontario legislature giving them power to sell the site of the present church and erect a new building in another part of the city.—The Metropolitan Railway Company have decided to erect another power house at York Mills, plans for which will be prepared by Messrs. Gordon & Helliwell, architects.—The Board of Control has endorsed the recommendation of the architect that an electric light plant be purchased for the new municipal buildings.—A deputation from the National Sanitarium Association have asked the city to buy a lot at the northeast corner of High Park and give it to the association for the purpose of erecting thereon a consumptive sanitarium.—A bill is now before the legislature to incorporate the Nickel Range Railway Company, with power to build a railway from a point between White Fish and McNaughton Station to a point near Chelmsford. C. F. Farwell, M.P.P., has charge of the bill.—Building permits have been granted as follows: R. C. Vaughan, two-storey and attic brick dwelling, 124 Madison ave., cost \$4,000; Edwin S. Reade, two-storey and attic brick dwelling, 126 Madison ave., cost \$4,000; M. R. Gash, two-storey and attic brick dwelling, 85 Spadina ave., cost \$4,000; R. M. Ogilvie, two-storey and attic brick dwelling, corner Dupont street and Madison ave., cost \$4,000; Richard Wickens, alterations to 362-46 Ontario street, cost \$2,850; McIntosh Granite & Marble Co., workshops, 1119 and 1121 Yonge street, cost \$2,000; Henry Cawthra Estate, one-storey brick addition to rear of 123 125 Yonge street, cost \$3,000.—Messrs. Edwards & Wagner, architects, 18 Toronto street, want tenders for building a large cottage in Muskoka and for alterations to a store in this city.—Messrs. Bond & Smith, architects, have been commissioned to prepare plans for a six-storey building to be erected by a syndicate on Terauley street, opposite the new city hall. The building will be constructed chiefly of iron and pressed brick, and will contain a large Turkish bath, restaurant, banking rooms, and some two hundred offices. It will be equipped with an electric light plant and private telephone system, and will cost about \$150,000.—A committee of the Public School Board has recommended the erection of an addition to Morse street school, cost \$7,000; addition to Dovercourt school, cost \$6,500; addition to Perth avenue school, cost \$11,000, and a new school on Bolton ave., cost \$14,000.

FIRES.

H. H. Shaver's saw mill at Shaverton, near Tilbury, Ont.; loss \$5,000, insurance \$3,000.—The Windsor Hotel, Jeffrey's harness shop and J. Jenck's & Co.'s store at Mattawa, Ont., totally destroyed; small insurance.—Building at Shawville, Que., occupied by E. Holstein.—Large greenhouses and stables of George Syme, near Toronto Junction.—Residence on Sherwood avenue, Eglinton, owned by James Dean, of Toronto; loss \$1,800.—Saw mill at Hawkshaw, York county, N. B., owned by F. P. Thompson and R. A. Estey; insurance \$4,000.