

**HESPELER, ONT.**—Two by-laws were carried here last week, one fixing the assessment of the Hespeler Skewer Co. at a stated figure and the other giving a site to H. B. Jardine & Co. on which to build an extension to their plant.

**ARNPRIOR, ONT.**—The proposition to establish a House of Refuge in Renfrew county was sanctioned by the ratepayers.—The by-law to issue debentures for the construction of a sewer on Daniel street was carried last week by a majority of one.

**DALHOUSIE, N. B.**—George Moffatt is building a new shingle mill.—A movement is under way on the Quebec side of the Restigouche river and Bay Chaleur towards the formation of a new Catholic diocese to be detached from Rimouski and the erection of a new church.

**MONCTON, N. B.**—The city council has decided to apply for legislation to issue bonds to the amount of \$90,000, of which \$75,000 is for waterworks improvements, \$5,000 for sewer outlet, \$5,000 for macadamizing, and \$5,000 for asphalt sidewalks.

**OWEN SOUND, ONT.**—Tenders are invited by J. C. Forster, architect, up to noon of 25th inst., for the erection of a stone church for the Baptist congregation.—The question of installing a new plant to provide increased pressure for the waterworks system is under consideration.

**ROSSLAND, B. C.**—It is said to be the intention of the Velvet Mines, Limited, to apply for a charter to construct an electric railway between Rossland and the Red Mountain Railroad, a distance of 30 miles. The charter will also ask for the establishment of telephone and telegraph systems. The estimated cost is \$300,000.

**HALIFAX, N. S.**—W. C. Harris, architect, has plans in hand for the following works: St. Paul's school room and assembly hall, four storeys, of sandstone and marble, cost \$25,000; residence for J. Y. Payzant, president of the Bank of Nova Scotia; residence for Hon. S. H. Holmes, addition to summer residence of Dr. Burden, Minister of Militia, at Canning, and a large stone church at North Sydney.

**STURGEON FALLS, ONT.**—It is stated that work on the completion of the mills of the Sturgeon Falls Pulp & Paper Co. will be commenced at an early date. A. S. Fairbanks is making a survey of the mill property, after which plans will be prepared under the direction of Mr. Hardy, who was consulting engineer for the Laurentide Pulp Co., of Grand Mere, Que.

**HAMILTON, ONT.**—Henry T. Thurber, of Detroit, head of the syndicate which proposes constructing an electric railway system from this city to Galt, Guelph and Berlin, states that operations will commence as soon as a charter is granted. Staunton & O'Heir are solicitors for the company.—W. A. Edwards, architect, has taken out a building permit for a brick office for the B. Greening Wire Co. at corner of Queen and Napier streets, to cost \$4,000.

**SYDNEY, N. S.**—A new coal hoist is to be built in connection with the Intercolonial railway here. The plans have been prepared and provide for a two storey building, 50x75 feet. Over 2,000 yards of concrete will be used in the foundation work.—A statement comes from the Boston office of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co. that the management is now considering plans for a large rail mill to be built at this place.—At the next meeting of the council the erection of a new institution

for the insane will probably be recommended by the commissioners of Riverside insane asylum.

**ST. JOHN, N. B.**—Among the new buildings to be proceeded with in the spring are the warehouse of Emerson & Fisher, the factory of D. F. Brown & Co., warehouse of T. E. Simms & Co., and the new I. C. R. roundhouse.—Work has been commenced on Haslam, Lyons & Co's. new foundry in Carleton.—About half the money required for the proposed building for the Young Men's Christian Association has been subscribed.—The Civic Dry Dock Committee, in a recent report, recommend that the proposed dock be built of wood, with entrance of concrete or granite, and with a pumping plant of sufficient capacity to pump the dock out in 80 minutes. The dimensions recommended are 665 feet long, 75 feet wide at the bottom, 90 feet at the top, 75 ft. on the floor and 140 ft. at the coping; estimated cost, \$800,000.—The fire chief has recommended to council that a steam fire engine be provided for the Portland street station and that each warehouse at Sand Point be provided with new linen hose.—The five storey building occupied by C. Flood & Sons has been purchased by Manchester, Robertson & Allison, who will remodel the premises next summer.

**OTTAWA, ONT.**—The Industrial Modern Home Co. has been organized in this city, with a capital of \$100,000, for the purpose of building modern houses for mechanics and workmen. F. A. Heney and M. C. Edey, architects, are provisional directors.—Ald. Askwith is proceeding with his scheme for obviating the floods in New Edinburgh by the construction of a dyke. A petition to that end will shortly be presented to council.—The Department of Militia is said to be looking for a site in the vicinity of Ottawa for the purpose of an artillery range.—It is reported that the new Canadian Mint will be built on Nepean Point, and that the Geological Museum building will be located at the southern end of Central Ward.—F. Gelinus, secretary Department of Public Works, invites tenders up to Saturday, 25th inst., for the construction of extension and protection to breakwater at Richibucto, N. B. Plans at above department and at offices of the resident engineers at St. John, N. B., and Halifax, N. S.—Signor Marconi stated when in this city last week that he had completed arrangements for building his wireless telegraphy station in Cape Breton. It is estimated that the cost will be about \$100,000.—H. B. McGovern, solicitor, of this city, is applying for the incorporation of the Dawson City Electric Railway Co., to build an electric railway and distribute electric power in the vicinity of Dawson City.

**MONTREAL, QUE.**—Hutchison & Wood, architects, have been appointed to prepare plans for a magnificent office building to be built by the Liverpool, London & Globe Assurance Co. at the corner of St. James street and Place de Armes. Peabody & Stearns, of Boston, will be associate architects. The building will be eight storeys and basement, and will likely be commenced in the spring.—A proposition to erect a new hospital will be considered at the annual meeting of the Western Hospital on January 21st.—Plans are to be prepared immediately for alterations and additions to the court house so as to provide more accommodation for the police court.—A. C. Hutchison, architect, has submitted a report on the plans for the new Board of Trade building. He states that they provide for a substantial fireproof building.—Building permits have been granted as follows: Leandre Ouimet, two storey house, Esplanade avenue, cost \$5,000 (R.

Montbriand, architect); T. Bastien, two storey house, 368 Sherbrooke street, cost \$3,000 (A. Riza, architect, L. David, contractor); Estate Victor Beaudry, alterations to two storey house, 37 St. Lawrence street, cost \$2,000 (L. Lamontagne, contractor); Mrs. E. Beauchamp, alterations to three storey house, Sydenham street, cost \$3,400 (Geo. Tetrault, contractor); Estate Walter McFarlane, alterations to house and warehouse, corner McGill and St. Paul street, cost \$6,900 (Hutchison & Wood, architects, H. Hutchinson, contractor); Joseph Hague, two storey house, Berrin street, cost \$1,800 (J. Hague, contractor); Oswald Lachance, two storey house and store, Rachel street, cost \$1,000 (Jacob & Senecal, contractors); Henry Demers, two storey house, Dufresne street, cost \$1,600 (H. Demers, contractor); Jos. T. Ferron, two storey house, Massue street, cost \$1,000.—The water committee will again be asked to provide a new electrical pump for the high level pumping station. The cost is placed at \$35,000.

**TORONTO, ONT.**—It is understood to be the intention to expend on the new MacDonald building at the Agricultural College, Guelph, \$100,000 of the \$125,000 give by Sir William McDonald, and to erect the building on a plan that will permit of extension. The architects are G. M. Miller & Co.—The city council has given notice of its intention to construct the following works: Asphalt pavement on Spencer avenue, cost \$1,850; cement concrete sidewalks on portions of Booth avenue, cost \$1645, West Market street, cost \$554, and Spencer avenue, cost \$700.—Building permits have been granted as follows: Thomas McIlwain, two storey brick dwelling, 180 Springhurst avenue, cost \$3,500; Alice Brown, pair of brick houses and stores, Albany avenue, cost \$4,500; Corporation of Toronto, improvements at cattle market on Wellington street, cost \$3,750, and hay barns, stable and office on Strachan avenue, cost \$1,250; John Waldie, alterations to residence, 75 Park road, cost \$4,500.—Tenders are wanted by J. Bucksey, 2 Waverley Road, for brick work and plastering.—W. H. Smith is taking tenders at Grand's Repository for the removal of five brick and three rough-cast houses on corner of Simcoe and Nelson streets.—Chief Thomson, of the Fire Brigade, has recommended the building of a new fire hall on Cowan avenue and another in the vicinity of York and Wellington streets.—The Board of Works have a list of 38 new pavements upon which work will commence as early as possible in the spring. The sum involved is about \$70,000.—Ress & Holgate, consulting engineers, McKinnon building, are preparing plans for the large water power development for pulp manufacture at Seven Islands, below the city of Quebec, to be undertaken by Clarke Bros., publishers, of New York, associated with Thomas Meaney, of this city.—L. B. Howland last week interviewed the premier of Ontario and requested a subsidy for a further fifty miles of the Ironclad, Bancroft and Ottawa Railway. If given a subsidy he stated that the line would be completed this year to a point on the Canada Atlantic railway near the Caldwell Station, and close to the Ottawa river.—Tenders are wanted by J. E. Loney, 3 Adelaide street east, for carpenter work of pair of houses on Albany avenue.—At a vestry meeting of St. Peter's church, Carlton street, to be held this week, a report will be presented by the Music Committee favoring the rebuilding of the church organ.—The city engineer has presented to council a report as to the probable cost of extending the street railway to the breakwater,