

for a brick presbytery for the Rev. Father Gearin, of Phelpston.

**MERRITTON, ONT.**—Rev. J. L. Robertson has been soliciting subscriptions in western Ontario towards the rebuilding of the Presbyterian church here.

**FENELON FALLS, ONT.**—Messrs. DeCew & Sons, who purchased the Thornton stove factory at this place, purpose increasing its capacity considerably.

**BRACEBRIDGE, ONT.**—A by-law to borrow \$5,000 by debentures for extending the waterworks system has been passed in council, and will be submitted to the Lieutenant Governor for approval.

**ST. JOHN, N. B.**—It is understood that the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is surveying the route for a railway from Mattawamkeag to Princeton, to connect with the Washington County Railway.

**CHATHAM, N. B.**—Should the town not undertake the construction of a waterworks system, it is believed that the private company holding a charter for that purpose will proceed with the work.

**SOUTH FINCH, ONT.**—A meeting of farmers was held here last week to discuss the project of establishing a cold storage plant. A committee was appointed to report at a meeting to be held on January 10th.

**KAMLOOPS, B. C.**—Engineer Gamble has presented his report on the proposed Thompson River bridge, in which he advocates the immediate carrying out of the work.

**SAINT ANDREW'S, N. B.**—The project to establish a cottage hospital is taking definite shape. A site therefor will probably be purchased from the estate of the late Dr. Todd.

**HARRISTON, ONT.**—W. D. Ebbels, town treasurer, invites tenders up to January 2nd next for the purchase of \$3,380 of local improvement debentures, bearing interest at 4%, and payable in twenty years.

**NAPANEE, ONT.**—The John R. Scott Company, which recently installed an electric light plant for lighting Napanee, Newburgh and Camden East, intend extending their line to Yarker and Colebrook next spring.

**BROOKE, ONT.**—L. Lindsay, lot 23, concession 9, wants tenders by January 9, 1899, for repairing of drain. James Lucas, lot 12, concession 14, wants tenders by same date for the construction of the Parker-Shirley drain.

**ROSSLAND, B. C.**—The Board of Trade has forwarded to the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa a petition asking for the erection of a federal building at this place, to contain post-office, custom house, and inland revenue offices.

**TWEED, ONT.**—A private company will, it is said, build a line of railway between this town and Belleville, a distance of 26 miles. The line will extend to the iron ore districts, and it is probable that blast furnaces will be built in the near future.

**GRAND FALLS, N. B.**—The Grand Falls Power Company are said to have spent \$18,000 in surveys and soundings, and are about to commence the work of construction. It is proposed to erect large paper and pulp mills, saw mills, etc.

**DARTMOUTH, N. S.**—A bill to empower the council to borrow \$150,000 for the purpose of establishing a tram car system in Dartmouth and vicinity has been sent to the legislature. A bill will also be asked for to provide \$50,000 for installing an electric light plant.

**SHERBROOKE, QUE.**—The authorities of St. Peter's church will shortly decide upon plans for a new building, construction to commence in the spring.—F. J. Griffith wants tenders on behalf of the corporation, up to January 2nd, for the supply of 4,000 yards of flagstone.

**NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.**—The Ma-

sonic Temple Company are making preliminary arrangements for the rebuilding of their burned block, corner Columbia and Lorne streets.—J. Gerhardt Tiarks, architect, is preparing plans for the new Caledonian Hotel.

**LONDON, ONT.**—George V. Burwell, of Delaware, has abandoned his injunction proceedings against the building of a bridge over the Thames river at the Giles site, and the county of Middlesex and township of Caradoc are now in a position to proceed with the work.

**BURNSTOWN, ONT.**—The proposed Presbyterian church will be frame, veneered with brick, with stone basement and wood or iron roof, and will cost about \$2,400. The material is now being placed on the ground, and building operations will commence in the spring. John Forrest is chairman of the building committee.

**BRIDGENORTH, ONT.**—At a meeting held here recently to discuss road improvement, a resolution was passed recommending the council to purchase the necessary road machinery and proceed at once to carry out the plans advocated by Mr. A. W. Campbell, Provincial Road Commissioner.

**VANCOUVER, B. C.**—It is announced that the Hastings mill, destroyed by fire last October, is to be rebuilt.—The main building will be 400 feet long and 82 feet wide, and the mill will have a capacity of 200,000 feet per day. The contract for machinery has, it is understood, been awarded to the William Hamilton Manufacturing Company, of Peterboro', Ont.

**LINDSAY, ONT.**—At the municipal elections a vote will be taken on the question of erecting a House of Refuge for the county, to cost, including land, building and equipment, \$20,000.—The town has offered to grant to Rider & Kitchener, of Brampton, exemption from taxation for two years and a bonus of \$10,000 towards a site and buildings for their proposed excelsior and veneer factory.

**COLLINGWOOD, ONT.**—A conference was held here last week between representatives of the Georgian Bay and Lake Superior Steamship Line and the Grand Trunk Railway. The business discussed was the question of deepening the harbor and the erection of an elevator. The Grand Trunk is willing to construct the elevator if the Dominion government deepens the channel to 20 feet.

**WINNIPEG, MAN.**—The three money by-laws were defeated by the ratepayers on the 20th inst. These were as follows; \$20,000 for building a free public library, \$15,000 for establishing a crematory, and \$50,000 for installing a municipal electric light plant.—The C.P.R. have decided to put in a connecting switch between the Brandon branch of the N. P. railway and the southwestern branch of the C.P.R. at Methven.

**QUEBEC, QUE.**—The Great Northern Railway Company is understood to have made arrangements to construct at once the remainder of its line, in order to give Quebec district connection with the Parry Sound Railway. It is further stated that a contract has been entered into with Mr. McDonald, railway contractor, for the construction of the last 88 miles of the line, and that preparations are being made to proceed with the work.

**HAMILTON, ONT.**—The Hamilton, Chedoke & Ancaster Railway Co. will apply for an amended charter, to build a line to Brantford.—The Hamilton & Toronto Sewer Pipe Company purpose erecting a three-storey building, to replace the one destroyed by fire recently.—The city engineer has prepared specifications of the required dredging work in Burlington channel. These will be forwarded to the government with a requisition that the work be carried out.

**MONTREAL, QUE.**—The sum of \$10,000

is required for certain improvements to the outside buildings of the eastern abattoir.—The directors of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Co. decided, at a recent meeting, to place new boilers and an electric light plant in the steamer Saguenay. At the same meeting, it is believed that the question of building a large summer hotel at Murray Bay was favorably considered.—Lord Strathcona has offered to purchase a new organ for St. Paul's Presbyterian church.

**VICTORIA, B. C.**—Alderman Wilson will move at the next council meeting that the fire wardens be empowered to purchase a steam fire engine, at a cost of \$5,000.—Wellington J. Dowler invites tenders on behalf of the city, up to 4 p.m. today (Wednesday), for the purchase of \$4,300.43 of debentures. The city engineer has reported that the portion of Point Ellice bridge supported on piles could, at a comparatively small cost, be made sufficiently strong for tramway traffic. As regards the truss span, he recommends that a new truss be erected.—Frank Higgins, solicitor for applicants, is applying for incorporation of a company to utilize water from Surprise Lake, and to construct flumes, pipes and drains on both sides of Pine creek.

**PENBROKE, ONT.**—The report of the Public Works Committee, which has been adopted by the city council, recommended the building of an iron bridge, with stone piers, at a cost of \$7,500. It was agreed that a by-law should be submitted to raise \$10,000 to build the bridge and the Witt embankment.—The special committee appointed to consider the question of installing a municipal electric light plant have recommended that if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the present company for an increased number of lights at a lower rate, consideration of the advisability of installing a municipal plant be postponed for the present. If this is not effected the committee recommends the council to submit a by-law to provide funds for the installation of a plant.

**OTTAWA, ONT.**—M. C. Edey, architect, this city, wants tenders for the erection of a presbytery at March Corners. Plans on view from 21st to 30th inst.—The Bernard Fish & Game Club has decided to purchase a game preserve at the Lievre river, and construct on it a club house with all modern conveniences. The secretary is Mr. J. A. Lemieux.—Alderman Cluff advocates the purchase of a site in New Edinburgh for a new contagious diseases hospital.—The E. B. Eddy Company are about to commence the erection of a new pulp mill.—It is stated that the work of completing the Church of the Sacred Heart on Cumberland street will be proceeded with next spring. The addition will consist of a large spire and bell tower, and an entrance. It will cost in the vicinity of \$30,000.—The capital has been subscribed for the Klondike Telegraph Company, promoted by Sir Adolph Caron and Sir James Grant, and operations will be commenced immediately. W. Young, 64 Victoria street, London, Eng., is the secretary of the company.—The Royal Telegraph Company is seeking incorporation, with a capital of \$100,000, to build and operate telegraph and telephone lines in Canada.—The French Committee of the Separate School Board have decided to purchase property at the corner of Dalhousie street for the erection of a new school.

**TORONTO, ONT.**—The Board of Control has decided to advertise for new tenders for general supplies for the Works Department.—The Oddfellows' Society is soliciting subscriptions towards the erection of an Oddfellows Home for orphans and the aged. The building will be located in the city or town from which the most liberal contributions are