

to Huron street, cost \$3,440, a concrete sidewalk on both sides of Orford ave., cost \$414.50, and a cement concrete sidewalk on both sides of Homewood ave., cost \$3,695.—Mr. W. R. Symons and Assessment Commissioner Fleming have been authorized to report on the remodelling of St. Lawrence Hall for the purposes of a Technical School.—City Commissioner Coatsworth has submitted to Council a plan and estimate for converting seven acres of Stanley Park into an addition to the cattle market. The lot would contain 84 cattle pens, 30x60 feet, caretaker's office and weigh scales, and the approximate cost would be \$30,815. A plan has also been submitted for raising the old cattle market, the cost being as follows: Leveling 60,000 yards earth, \$18,000; reconstruction of yards, \$37,100.—The promoters of the proposed Palace hotel on King street have secured an extension of the options on the proposed site until February 1st. It is reported that up to the present they have been unable to float the scheme.—A report from Quebec states that Mr. George Taylor, of this city, contemplates the erection of a large pulp mill on the Manitou river, some distance below Seven Islands, in Saguenay district.—David Roberts, architect, has just taken tenders on excavating for a large cellar on Simcoe street.—Improvements are being made to the building at No. 10 Toronto street, occupied by the Receiver General's Department. The old system of lighting by gas will be supplanted by electricity. The cost of repairs will amount to \$1,500.—A vinegar trust is announced to have been formed, having for its object the amalgamation of nearly all the vinegar manufactories in Ontario. The syndicate, of which William Wilson, of this city, is president, will erect a large factory, to cost \$25,000, probably in Toronto. The proposed building, for which plans have been prepared, will be 125x110 feet, with provision to extend the premises as required.—The Bell Telephone Co., in answer to a request from the Mayor, has offered to install a separate switchboard service in the new civic buildings, at an annual cost of \$1,750.—The T. Eaton Company have been granted a permit for their new clothing factory to be built on Albert street, and which will cost \$21,000. It will be five stories, of brick, 132x102 feet. The factory will be heated and lighted from the main building, and an underground railway will connect the two buildings.—Building permits have been granted as follows: W. G. Harris, factory and warehouse, 17 William street, cost \$4,500 (J. A. Ellis, architect); H. C. Stevens, residence, 147½ Dunn ave., cost \$2,500; Mr. Davidson, residence, Simpson ave., near Broadway, cost \$1,200; Mrs. Ross, five storey extension to mattress factory, 42 Melinda street, cost \$2,500.—The president of the Canadian Express Co. has made the suggestion that a new building be erected at the east end of the Union station, to be used entirely by the express companies.—Messrs. Bond & Smith, architects, are preparing plans for the interior design and decoration of the new steamer Toronto, now being built by the Bertram Co. for the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Co. The interior work will cost between \$40,000 and \$50,000, and will be executed in natural hardwood finish, enamelled work, staff decoration and hammered wrought iron work. The steamer will cost upwards of \$250,000.—Mr. C. J. Gibson, architect, is taking tenders up to Saturday next for a residence on Bloor street west for Dr. Thornburn. He has taken tenders and will award contracts this week for two houses on Dewson street.—Mr. Henry Simpson, architect, is preparing plans for a warehouse for J. F. Brown & Co., to be built in rear of their present premises, Queen street east. Same architect invites tenders up to 17th inst. for a laundry building on McCaul street.—In this issue Mr. F.

H. Herbert, architect, invites tenders for the several trades required in the erection of a detached residence on the south side of Maple ave., Rosedale, for James Henderson.—A proposition is under consideration to establish a reference library for the city and province. At a recent meeting of interested persons, Mr. Byron E. Walker was elected chairman, and a committee was appointed to devise ways and means for carrying out the scheme. It is proposed to erect a building for the purpose adjacent to the legislative buildings, the cost of same to be met by the issue of debentures guaranteed by the province.

FIRES.

The fires of the past week included the following: Residence of Charles Lyttie, at Cochrane, Man., totally destroyed.—Summer cottage belonging to Messrs. Roy at North Hatley, Que.—Shirt factory of H. A. Sims & Co., Latour street, Montreal; loss \$10,000, covered by insurance.—At Collingwood, Ont., the Grand Trunk Railway freight sheds, building and wharf, and the Great Northern Transit Company's steamer Pacific. The latter was valued at \$50,000, and was insured for \$25,000.—The steamer Northern Belle, owned by the Great Northern Transit Co., of Collingwood, totally destroyed.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

DAUPHIN, MAN.—The contract has been let for a \$5,000 school.

TILBURY, ONT.—Brown & Wylie, Tilbury Iron Works, have secured contracts for iron bridge over drain in Tilbury East.

BROCKVILLE, ONT.—Robert Jones has secured the contract for two story stone addition to factory of MacLaren & McCready.

FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—The appointment of superintendent of electric light plant has been given to W. H. Smith, of Goderich.

WATERLOO, ONT.—The tender of the Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Co. has been accepted for the purchase of \$9,000 of debentures; bonus \$250.

GRANBY, QUE.—Contracts for new Shefford field battery armory have been let as follows: Building, Neil & Kent, \$2,975; stone work, Wilfrid Fournier, \$180.

SUDBURY, ONT.—Thomas Evans & Son, of this place, have secured the contract for building a store and warehouse at Missinabie, Algoma, for the Hudson Bay Company.

MADOC, ONT.—The contract for building a new Methodist church has been awarded to Finney & Gordon, of Peterboro', at the price of \$8,940, exclusive of seating. An organ will also be purchased, at a cost of about \$1,000.

CAMPBELLTON, N. B.—The town clerk writes that two tenders were received for installation of electric light plant, as follows: Royal Electric Co., Montreal, \$13,400; Duncan & McLellan, machinists, Campbellton, \$12,950 (accepted).

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Tenders were received as follows for an asphalt pavement on Portage avenue: Kelly Bros., with five year's guarantee, \$52,967.50, with ten year's guarantee, \$57,285.50; Warren Scharf Co., five year's guarantee, \$52,806.10; City Engineer, \$43,806.10. The city engineer's tender has been recommended for acceptance, the work to be done by day labor.—For the supply of vitrified sewer pipe, tenders were received as follows, and were referred to the city engineer: J. H. Ashdown, \$1,740.50; J. M. O'Loughlin, \$1,975; W. F. Lee, \$1,793.25.—The respective tenders of W. F. Lee and Dobson & Jackson for sewers on Bushnell street and Furby street have been accepted by the Board of Works.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Protestant School Commissioners have accepted tenders as follows for building an annex to the Mount Royal school: Wilson Bros., masonry, \$1,574; W. H. Boone, brick, \$440; L. Paton & Son, carpentering, \$2,995; John Morrison & Son, plastering, \$545; Montreal Roofing Company, roofing, \$382; Garth & Co., plumbing, \$113; A. Craig, painting, \$597; Dominion Bridge Co., steel beams, \$197; total \$10,843.—The Harbor Commissioners have accepted the following tenders for the supply of stone: M. Campeau, sections 17, 18 and 20 to 26, 760 toises, at \$6.93 per toise; Adolphe Chartier, sections 35 to 46, 260 toises at \$8.50 per toise; H. Lionais, sections 5 and 6 and 9 to 11, 180 toises at \$8.65 per toise.—Eric Mann, architect, has awarded to the Montreal Roofing Company the contract for cement roofing, ornamental iron work and flooring of new residence for C. N. Blakely.

TORONTO, ONT.—Messrs. Gordon & Helliwell, architects, have accepted the following tenders for factory building on Queen street east for Toronto Fence and Ornamental Iron Works: Masonry, Bedford Bros.; carpentry work, T. A. Ouderkirk; sheet metal work, A. B. Ormsby & Co.; felt roofing, W. D. Hutson; painting, T. A. Berridge.—Contracts for the reconstruction of the factory of W. J. Harris on William street have been let as follows: Carpenter work, Brown & Cooper; masonry, Witchall & Co.; painting, J. Richards; roofing and galvanized iron work, A. Matthews. Mr. J. A. Ellis is architect.—The Bennett & Wright Company have contracts for heating, ventilating, electric wiring and plumbing of the new Telegram building; for steam heating, part of the Methodist Book Room; for plumbing in residence of John Morrison, Jarvis street, and for steam heating of cottage at Gravenhurst sanatorium.—The John Ritchie Plumbing & Heating Company have contract for plumbing in residences of R. J. Chisholm, W. S. Davies and John McKay, at Oakville, Ont.—Mr. F. H. Herbert, architect, has awarded contracts for detached residence on Jarvis street, for John Morrison, as follows: Carpenter work, Andrew Nelson; plastering, C. B. Simpson; painting, H. W. Johnston; roofing, Rennie & Son; galvanized iron, A. B. Ormsby & Co.; plumbing, the Bennett & Wright Co. Same architect has awarded contracts for erecting a pair of semi-detached residences on north side of Bloor street, just east of Spadina road, for Dr. C. S. Ryerson, as follows: Masonry, Bedford Bros.; carpenter work, Andrew Nelson; other trades not let. For remodelling stable and coachhouse for Mr. H. A. Taylor, Mr. Herbert has accepted the tender of Oakley & Holmes for masonry and that of G. H. Ferguson for carpenter work.

BIDS.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Board of Control again opened tenders last week for elevators for the new municipal buildings. The tenders were for three hydraulic elevators, with pumping plant for five, and were submitted as follows: Portland Elevator Company, Portland, Maine, on architect's specifications, \$22,800; Leitch & Turnbull, Toronto and Hamilton, own specifications, \$17,500; Fensom Company, Toronto, architect's specifications, \$23,000; Otis Elevator Company, New York, architect's specifications, \$28,850, own specifications, \$27,900; Standard Elevator Company, Chicago, architect's specifications, \$29,800; Whittier Company, Boston, architect's specifications, \$31,950. The tenders were referred to the architect for a report.

Alfred Goulet has registered proprietor of Goulet & Co., contractors, Montreal.