

pany at Peterboro', Ont., were recently damaged by fire to the extent of \$100,000.—Snobb's hotel at French Pêche, Ont., about seven miles from Wakefield, was burned last week. Small insurance.—The residence of Narcisse Courtemanche, 1321 Papineau avenue, Montreal, was gutted by fire on the 26th ultimo. The loss is placed at \$3,000.—A disastrous fire occurred in the exhibition grounds, Montreal, on the 30th of July, destroying the main building or Crystal Palace, the annex, the carriage building, machinery hall, Lorne restaurant, the swine building, and the fodder barn, with its contents, including the electric plant and twelve cars of the Park & Island Railroad Co. The loss to the Exhibition Company is about \$90,000, two-thirds of which is covered by insurance. The loss to the Montreal Park and Island railway, \$40,000, is covered by insurance.—A five storey building on St. Peter street, Montreal, occupied by Messrs. Howden, Clarke & Co., wholesale hardware merchants, has been badly damaged by fire.—The residence of John Collins at Waterford, Ont., was burned on Monday last; small insurance.—A building at Whitby Junction, Ont., owned by Wm. Foy, was destroyed by fire a few days ago. Insurance on building, \$2,500.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

TORONTO, ONT.—The tender of Smith Bros. has been accepted for the supply of fire wagons.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Malcolm & Souter have been awarded the contract for putting in a bar fixture for W. F. Coudon's new hotel.

LONDON, ONT.—The McClary Mfg. Co. has been awarded the contract for putting in two furnaces at the Strathroy public schools.

GRAVENHURST, ONT.—Mr. R. Robson has been given the contract for the erection of the new consumptive hospital, and is here superintending the work.

MONTREAL, QUE.—L. R. Montbriant, architect, has awarded the contract for one cottage at St. Vincent de Paul for Henri Boisimenu to H. Papineau.

HALIFAX, N. S.—Rhodes, Curry & Co. have commenced the building of the \$6,000 residence for J. A. Leaman at the corner of South and Pleasant streets.

QUEBEC, QUE.—The contract for the presbytery of Bienville village has been signed by the village authorities and Calixte Dion and John Turgeon, contractors. D. Ouellet is the architect.

BRANTFORD, ONT.—The Waterous Engine Works Company have shipped a No. 7 McCully rock crusher to Carroll Bros., Sherkston, Ont., to crush limestone for the Buffalo Furnace Co. It weighed 63,000 pounds and required 2 cars for shipment.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Tenders have been accepted by the Board of Works as follows: Sewer pipe, J. H. Ashdown, \$784.80; block pavement on Main street, east side, from Point Douglas avenue to Jarvis avenue, \$2,780; also Elgin avenue and Wesley street, \$2,200; sewer on Nena street, Dobson & Jackson, \$1,937.60.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—The following firms tendered for the purchase of \$16,500 of school bonds: H. O'Hara & Co., Toronto. The Bank of British North America, R. Wilson Smith, and Hanson Bros., of Montreal. The tender of H. O'Hara & Co. has been accepted. The

bonds will be issued for 25 years at 4 per cent. The premium is 3½ per cent.

OTTAWA, ONT.—J. R. Douglas & Co. have the following contracts for sheet metal and cornice work: Stores for Slater Sherwood; store for A. J. Stephens; stores for J. C. Brennan and H. N. Bate; store for P. J. Taeger; block of stores in Renfrew, Ont., for Wm. McKey; block of stores at Hawkesbury for J. McGibbon; store for Wm. Conroy, Aylmer; government buildings, Portage la Prairie, Man.—The Russell house are putting in a horizontal multi-tubular boiler made by Powers & Co., Ottawa, to carry 125 lbs. steam.—The Canadian Granite Co. have a \$50,000 contract with the city for sidewalks.—Contracts for buildings have been let as follows. Frame building on Augusta street, C. Hopwell; frame dwelling on Centre street, Wm. Hogan; two rough-cast houses on Ann street, R. Taylor; brick veneer house on Gloucester street, S. Scott.

BUSINESS NOTES.

Z. Riopel & Co., contractors, Montreal, have dissolved.

R. Donaldson & Sons, machinists, Montreal, have assigned.

Charest & Desjardins, painters, Montreal, have formed new partnership.

Charles Lawler, painter, Watford, Ont., is reported to have assigned to J. P. Taylor.

Albert Simennes and Elzeur Curvat,

architects, Montreal, have formed a partnership.

The stock of the Erie Iron Company, of St. Thomas, valued at \$5,990, has been sold to James Wright & Co., London, at 26 cents on the dollar. Wright & Co. will continue the works.

J. W. Quipp, plumber, Montreal, is said to be offering to compromise at 35c. on the dollar.

Joseph P. Tetreault and Joseph Marchotte have formed a partnership in Montreal as contractors.

Honore Bolduc and Thomas Laudry, painters, Montreal, will carry on business under the name of Bolduc & Laudry.

Edward S. Cowley, Edward Halley, Michael P. McGoldrick and Patrick J. Carrott, contractors, have formed a partnership in Montreal and will do business under the name of E. S. Cowley & Co.

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