

visible to proceed with the present structure or build smaller institutions in different parts of the country. According to the arrangements which the late government entered into, there would be an expense of \$800,000 at least for the erection of the buildings.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The Sewers Committee have decided to proceed with the construction of a sewer on King street, a short distance east of the T. H. and B. bridge, at a cost of \$860.—The City Engineer has recommended that a brick sewer be built on Aberdeen avenue, between Garth & Locke streets, at a cost of \$3,250. A syndicate, of which Mr. E. B. Osler is at the head, is said to be endeavoring to secure control of the Hamilton, Grimsby and Beamsville railway, the Hamilton and Dundas road, and the Hamilton Electric Radial railway.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Plans are being prepared for the erection of a new storage warehouse for J. Y. Griffin & Co., pork packers.—On Tuesday last the ratepayers voted on by-laws to provide the following sums: Water works, \$650,000; gas works, \$325,000; electric lighting, \$75,000.—A company to be known as the Caniff Prairie Fire and Guard Company has been formed here for the purpose of manufacturing the Caniff fire machine. The capital stock is \$16,000.—The Ogilvie Milling Co. are having plans prepared for a 750,000 bushel elevator to be erected on their property at Point Douglas.—An eastern syndicate are said to be considering the erection of a large office building on Main street. The names have not yet been made public.—J. A. Macdonnell, Chief Engineer of the Public Works Department, has surveyed a site for a bridge over the Assiniboine river between Birtle and Moosomin. The cost will be about \$1,800.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The projectors of the proposed smelter have wired to Vancouver from England that the necessary money to build the smelter has been raised, and that the smelter would assuredly be built.—The following mining companies were incorporated last week: Albion Gold Mining Company, headquarters Vancouver, capital \$5,000,000; Big Buck Mining Company, of Rossland, capital \$1,000,000; Burrard Mining Association of Vancouver, capital \$50,000; Cameronian Gold and Silver Mining Company, of Sandon, capital \$850,000; Cariboo Milling, Mining and Smelting Company, of Spokane Falls, capital, \$800,000; Pine Mountain Gold Mining Company, of Vancouver, capital \$1,000,000; Ibex Mining Company, Rossland, capital, \$1,000,000; Kootenay Brewing, Malt and Distilling Co., of Trail, capital, \$50,000; Noonday Mining Company, of Rossland, capital \$1,000,000; Sault Ste Marie Gold Mining Company, of Rossland, capital \$1,000,000; Slocan Development Company, of Rossland, capital, \$1,000,000; Trail-Bear Creek Gold Mining Company, of Rossland, capital, \$1,000,000; Yale Hamestake Gold and Silver Mining Company, of Vancouver, capital \$400,000.

OTTAWA, ONT.—A business block will be erected on the vacant property, corner Sussex and Rideau streets, owned by Senator Clemow.—A proposal has been made that a monument be erected in this city in honor of the sixtieth anniversary of Queen Victoria's ascension to the throne.—The Department of Railways and Canals is preparing to call for tenders for the deepening of the Galops canal and the North channel. The terms will very shortly be advertised.—At the last meeting of the City Council a motion was passed that the finance committee be instructed to bring in a by-law providing for a main trunk sewer and the expenditure of \$50,000 under the power granted

the city by the Ontario legislature for the construction of the same.—The Department of Public Works are asking for tenders, addressed to E. F. E. Roy, secretary, until Thursday, the 31st inst., for the supplying and placing of three tubular boilers in the eastern block of the Parliament buildings, Ottawa. Plans and specifications may be seen at the above department.—The shareholders of the C. Ross Company, Limited, have decided unanimously to put up another building to replace the one destroyed by fire recently.—A number of persons were in the city recently in connection with the Baie des Chaleurs railway. The report of the two engineers who were deputed to go over the line is now under the consideration of the government. The railway is about 80 miles long and extends from Metapedia junction, on the Intercolonial railway, to Paspeblac, in Bonaventure county. It is ultimately intended to build to Gaspé Basin, 120 miles further east.

TORONTO, ONT.—The prospectus has been issued of the Toronto Modern Hotel Company, Limited, with a capital of \$300,000. The project includes the erection of a building of six stories and basement, with laundry, barber shop, bakery, grocery, restaurants, auditoriums, etc. A central site has been selected. C. C. Beckett, of 96 Wood street, is the promoter.—Regarding the proposition to construct another foot bridge across the Don, between Queen and Gerrard streets, the City Engineer has reported that the bridge should be suitable to carry teams as well as foot passengers. The opinion is also expressed that, as it will be necessary in the near future to construct a new bridge across the Don at Queen street, the present bridge might be utilized to advantage by being moved northwards to the locality referred to.—The mayor is advocating the construction of a bridge from the Queen's wharf across the bay to the island. Mr. Sankey, surveyor, last week made an inspection of the proposed location, with a view of estimating the cost of construction.—Sufficiently signed petitions have been received against the construction of the proposed asphalt pavement on Queen street, from Yonge to Bathurst, also the concrete pavement on the south side of Bloor street, from Yonge to Jarvis.—The City Engineer has reported that the cost of a brick pavement on concrete 30 feet wide is \$31,000 per mile, and of macadam, such as Beverley street, \$23,200. Owing to the large number of streets requiring new pavements, a committee on local improvements has recommended that the city pay one-third of the cost of all pavements, and also assume one-third the annual charges upon streets where the life of the existing pavements has not expired. A recommendation with regard to new pavements is also made, establishing a standard pavement.—Residents of Huntley street have petitioned for a brick or asphalt pavement.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Town Engineer of St. Henri has reported on the construction of a road between St. Henri and Westmount. The cost is placed at \$10,000.—Plans are said to be in course of construction for a new elevator, with a capacity of 500,000 bushels, to be erected next spring by the Ogilvie Milling Co. on the Gould property.—The Temple Investment and Loan Company has been organized here, the directors being Senator George A. Cox and Mr. John W. Flavelle, of Toronto, Messrs. John Torrance, Frederick Fairman and James McBride, of this city. The application asks that the company be allowed to construct and maintain tramways, electric roads, and electric lighting systems.—The congregation of the Church of the Advent, Westmount, will commence the erection of new edifice next spring, the architects

which are Cox & Amos. The seating capacity will accommodate 600 persons, and the materials will consist of red pressed brick on the exterior, with buff sandstone dressings. The spire will be constructed entirely of stone. The flooring will be of pine and the passage ways will be paved with encaustic tiles. The heating will be by hot water, and the lighting by gas and electricity. A special system of ventilation will be adopted.—It is stated that the owners of the Barron block site do not intend to rebuild, but that the property will be offered for sale.—A deputation from this city last week interviewed the government at Quebec requesting a grant towards building the proposed bridge from Longueuil to De Lorimer ave. The structure will be 10,000 feet in length and 153 feet 3 inches above the water. The cost is estimated at \$8,000,000, of which \$6,000,000 is for the bridge proper, and \$2,000,000 for an elevated road from the Montreal bank of the river to the terminus on De Lorimer avenue. There will be two railway tracks, two electric tracks, two tracks for vehicles and two foot paths.—The scheme to construct a viaduct from St. Henri to the Bonaventure depot has been revived, and an effort will be made to secure its construction. Plans for same have been prepared by Mr. Stuart Howard, C. E. The cost of the proposed viaduct, if built of stone, will be about \$971,700; if iron posts were used, \$926,081, and if constructed of trestle work, \$806,000, with an additional sum of \$92,000 for filling in the trestle work.—A communication has been received by the City Council from Francis Lapointe, architect, of Chicago, stating that a syndicate of capitalists would construct on Mount Royal park a steel tower 600 feet in height and 268 feet at its base, provided the city would grant a site. The tower would be built according to Mr. Lapointe's plans. The company is capitalized at \$300,000.—Theo. Daoust, architect, will call for tenders in a few days for two houses on Park avenue for Mde. J. E. Robidoux, also for one building, three stories, to be erected on St. Elizabeth street, St. Henry, for the Sisters of St. Anne. The proprietors are the School Commissioners of St. Henry.—J. Alcide Chausse, architect, is preparing plans for reparations of L'Assomption church, also for the reconstruction of the sacristy and new manse for the same place.—Building permits have been granted as follows: One house, two stories, 30x46 feet, stone and brick, on Esplanade street, for Chs. Gratton; architect, L. R. Montbriand; contractors, masonry, Chapleau & Lemay; carpentry, Max. Papineau.

FIRES.

Goggins' mill at Penobscus, N. B., has been burned. Loss, \$3,000; no insurance.—Beauchemin & Fils' agricultural implement factory at Sorel, Que., was damaged by fire on Saturday last to the extent of \$10,000.—Parker's rink at Hantsport, N. S., was destroyed by fire last week. The loss is \$2,400, partially covered by insurance.—Cloy's large ship chandlery at Thorold, Ont., was burned on the 11th inst. The total loss is \$3,400.—The sacristy adjoining the Basilica at Quebec, and the St. Louis chapel, were damaged by fire to the extent of \$30,000, covered by insurance.—The residence of Wm. Thorndyke at Wesleyville, Ont., has been burned. Loss, \$2,650; insured.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—Tenders for the construction of cattle sheds were received by the Harbor Improvement Committee as follows: Adams & Belyea, \$1.33 per lineal foot for the sheds, \$1.10 for the ramps, \$2.50 for the tanks, (accepted);