

CONTRACTS OPEN.

INGERSOLL, ONT.—The new town hall by-law has been defeated.

WATERLOO, ONT.—The \$10,000 waterworks by-law was carried.

ST. MARY'S, ONT.—The Carnegie Library by-law was carried on Monday.

WATERBURY, ONT.—George Thomson is talking of erecting a new brick building.

SANDWICH, ONT.—The ratepayers defeated the by-law to build a sewer on Main street.

DIGBY, N.S.—Efforts are being made to form a company to engage in the manufacture of cars.

WELLAND, ONT.—The ratepayers defeated the by-law to grant exemption to the First Mfg. Co.

STAYNER, ONT.—The ratepayers approved of the by-law to borrow \$10,000 for new cement sidewalks.

BELLEVILLE, ONT.—The city council has offered the hospital lot as a site for a new drill shed.

MOUNTAIN RIDGE, ONT.—The farmers of this vicinity have decided to build a cheese factory here.

DELHI, ONT.—The village will next spring build a steel bridge on concrete abutments, estimated cost \$2,200.

LINDSAY, ONT.—A by-law to grant \$10,000 for waterworks extension was carried at the municipal elections.

COLLINGWOOD, ONT.—The ratepayers carried the good roads and elevator by-laws by large majorities.

ST. CATHARINES, ONT.—The sum of \$48,000 has been subscribed for the reconstruction of Ridley College.

OSHAWA, ONT.—The ratepayers have voted in favor of obtaining a waterworks supply by pumping from the lake.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I.—The Provincial Government has taken tenders on electric lighting for the asylum here.

SMITH'S FALLS, ONT.—H. P. Smith, architect, of Kingston, is preparing plans for a general hospital building here.

BANCROFT, ONT.—John Morrison, city clerk, desires offers by January 15th for \$27,000 thirty year 4 per cent. debentures.

KINGSVILLE, ONT.—A by-law granting a loan to the Kingsville Woolen Mills was sanctioned by the voters on Monday.

BADJEROS, ONT.—William J. Kay, of this place, has just taken tenders on erection of a Presbyterian church at Maple Vale.

SANDWICH, ONT.—It is reported that the Sagnaw Lumber & Salt Co. will rebuild the saw mill on another site in Sandwich Bay.

ALMONIE, ONT.—Mrs. C. Hamilton has bought property on the corner of William and James streets and intends building a residence.

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—A by-law to grant a bonus of \$2,000 to secure the Pere Maquette repair shops was carried by a large majority.

PERTH, ONT.—H. P. Smith, architect, of Kingston, is preparing plans for a new convent building to be built here for the Sisters of Charity.

DUNDAS, ONT.—A by-law to raise \$14,000 by issuing debentures for construction of sidewalks received the sanction of the ratepayers.

HARRISTON, ONT.—The by-law to rebuild the high school was carried and that to exempt the Dowling Leighton Co. from taxation was defeated.

RALPHTON, MAN.—Tenders for building a brick veneer Presbyterian church in Kenton will be received by

James T. Hudson, of this place, up to January 25th.

NOTRE DAME DE QUEBEC, QUE.—It is proposed to borrow \$3,500 for the construction of a partial waterworks and drainage system.

SIMCOE, ONT.—The county of Haldimand will shortly call for tenders for a bridge over Oswego Cr. creek, to cost \$6,000; W. H. Fairchild, engineer.

WIARTON, ONT.—John Thebe has purchased a water power at Sable Falls which he may utilize for lighting purposes. It is located eight miles from this town.

ST. JOHN, N.B.—The Board of Works are again considering the extension of the waterworks system to Sand Point, at an estimated cost of \$12,700.

PARRY SOUND, ONT.—An engineer has taken soundings for the new Government dock here and it is likely that tenders will be invited very shortly.

GODERICH, ONT.—The C. P. R. bonus by-law and the National Cloak Co. by-law were carried by the ratepayers, but the by-law for a new school was defeated.

BRYSAN, QUE.—It is stated that Mr. Rosseau, who recently purchased the Carmichael mill property at this place, will develop the water power for electrical purposes.

WINGHAM, ONT.—The site for a new post-office has been selected.—The ratepayers defeated the by-law to provide \$36,000 for new waterworks and sewerage systems.

MONTAGUE, P.E.I.—The survey for the branch railway from Cardigan to Montague bridge was completed last week and surveys are now under way for the extension of the southern branch from Murray river.

BARRIE, ONT.—The Barrie Carriage Co. desires tenders by Tuesday, February 2nd, for erection of a brick or cement factory in this town. Plans at their office from January 12 to 16.

SYDNEY, N.S.—It is rumored that a syndicate of Boston and New York capitalists, represented by H. M. Whitney, are forming a company for the establishment of a large steel plant in this vicinity.

BRANDON, MAN.—W. A. Elliott, architect, will receive tenders up to 20th inst. for the erection of a brick and stone Baptist church in this town, to be 60x85 feet, with finished basement, galleries, etc.

DESERONTO, ONT.—The late Mr. Rathlun was, at the time of his death, having plans prepared for a new hospital to be given to this town, and it is thought that the family will undertake to erect the building.

SHERBROOKE, QUE.—C. H. Nutter, of the Modern Binstead Co., has made a proposition to the city council to expend at least \$25,000 on new factory in consideration of a bonus of \$15,000 and exemption from taxation.

STRATFORD, ONT.—It is understood that the city engineer will recommend that Downie street be paved with asphalt blocks on a concrete foundation. He may also recommend the construction of a new bridge at Waterloo street.

VICTORIA, B.C.—F. M. Rattenbury, architect, is preparing the working drawings for this new C.P.R. tourist hotel to be built in this city.—A proposition is under consideration to build a permanent roadway across Rock Bay and dispense with the present winding bridge.

CALGARY, N.W.T.—J. S. Dennis, engineer in charge of the C.P.R. irrigation work in Alberta, states that it has decided to call for tenders at once for the construction of the main canal, which will be 35 miles long and 60 feet wide and call for the removal of 250,000,000 cubic feet of earth. Tenders will be invited in

Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Toronto and Chicago.

CHATHAM, ONT.—J. L. Wilson & Son, architects, are preparing plans for residences for M. Chatham, of Chatham, Windsor, and F. A. Mummeville, of Warwick.—By-laws to grant a loan of \$30,000 to Henry Wyhrow, of Birmingham, England, to erect a pork-packing factory here and \$50,000 as a loan for a radial railway, were defeated.

OWEN SOUND, ONT.—E. Lemon, proprietor of the Patterson House, will build a new sample room, 43x90 feet, cost \$4,000.—The National Talc Co. have decided to rebuild their factory at once.—By-laws to raise \$25,000 for extensions to gas and electric light plant were carried by the ratepayers almost unanimously.

HAMILTON, ONT.—It is reported that M. Brennan & Sons will erect a large saw mill next spring on their new limits in Osborne township.—The officers of the 13th Regiment have approved of the plan to provide better accommodation by converting the present building into company armouries and erecting a steel parade hall.

VANCOUVER, B.C.—The Socialist Society have appointed a committee to report upon the question of building a large hall.—A large wharf with extensive accommodation is to be built next spring by the Canadian Pacific Co. for the new England Fish Co. and the International Ice & Cold Storage Co.—The Oriental Power & Pulp Co. (J. A. MacKinnon, manager) are this week taking tenders on the erection of a saw mill at Swanson Bay, Coast District.—The following building permits were granted last week: M. Maginnis, 8 residences, north side Davie street, cost \$16,000; W. Raftery, two frame residences with stone foundation, Tenth avenue, Mount Pleasant, cost \$3,800; Mrs. S. Goldsmid, frame dwelling, Thurlow street, cost \$2,700.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Burd, Barritt & Meredith, architects, have completed plans for the dormitory for the Ottawa University college boys. It will be two-stories, frame, 40x100 feet, cost \$4,500.—L. K. Jones, secretary department railway and canals, wants tenders by January 12th for an extension of the south entrance pier at the Sault Ste. Marie canal. Plans at the above office and at the canal office, Sault Ste. Marie.—Ald. James Davidson has purchased the property on the Richmond Road opposite the Canadian Pacific yards formerly owned by the Sisters of Mercy. It is understood that the Ottawa Car Co. will build a large factory on the site next spring.—A meeting of a committee from each of the county councils of Carleton and Renfrew will be held in this city on January 14th to discuss the question of building a joint House of Refuge.—The by-law to provide \$50,000 to establish a municipal electric light plant was carried on Monday last.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Miller, Morse & Co. intend erecting a six-story brick and stone warehouse next spring.—The hotel to be built by W. G. Fonseca on south side of Higgins avenue will be four-stories, 43x90 feet.—It is proposed to hold a Dominion Exhibition in this city next July. The Dominion grant of \$50,000 will be applied to the erection of new buildings, including a large manufacturers building.—The Winnipeg, Selkirk & Lake Winnipeg Railway Company has applied for incorporation to construct an electric railway around the city and to such points as Stonewall, Stone Mountain, Tyndall, etc.—The council intends to undertake the following works: Asphalt pavement on Young street, from Elice avenue to Portage avenue, cost \$8,432; granolithic walk on north side of