

## Coast to Coast

**Clinton, Ont.**—Hydro-electric power was officially turned on at Clinton on May 20.

**Hamilton, Ont.**—\$400,000 is being expended on extensions to the street railway system at Hamilton this year.

**Neepawa, Man.**—Recently, the waterworks dam has broken at Neepawa, Man., at a loss to the town of \$3,000.

**Toronto, Ont.**—A report of statistics issued recently by the city waterworks department shows a deficit for 1913 of \$141,371.

**Baxter, Ont.**—The centre span of the new viaduct over the Nottawasaga River at Baxter, sank recently, and will require to be repaired.

**Moose Jaw, Sask.**—The cost of the street paving, for which the city of Moose Jaw is now calling tenders, is placed at between \$50,000 and \$60,000.

**St. Boniface, Man.**—The Western Tire and Rubber Co., will locate its new factory, which will cost \$175,000, at St. Boniface, rather than at Regina, as previously intended.

**Regina, Sask.**—Without taking into consideration the cost of labor, Regina will spend \$28,075 in extensions to the electric light distribution system during the present year.

**Calgary, Alta.**—It is reported that lack of funds will cause the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company to delay starting the work of constructing its \$300,000 station at Calgary.

**Guelph, Ont.**—Grading has been completed from Toronto to Guelph on the Toronto Suburban Railway line, and for the greater part of the distance ties have been distributed and rails unloaded.

**Preston, Ont.**—A proposition from the Building Product Co., manufacturers of sand bricks and other building material, offering to establish at Preston a \$50,000 plant, is being considered by the municipal council.

**Montreal, Que.**—It is reported that 170 tenders were received at Montreal for 1914 street paving, and deposit cheques to the amount of \$2,250,000 were received. The city will expend this year on pavement about \$1,500,000.

**Leaside, Ont.**—The work on waterworks and sewage plants and systems, for which contracts have just been let, will entail an expenditure of around \$100,000, which will be supplemented by the expenditure of \$50,000 on roadways, pavements and other general improvements.

**Quebec, Que.**—The new 40-inch water pipe being laid in Quebec is almost completed. The whole of the lower portion of the city is already being supplied with water from this new main, and connection is being completed in the upper part of the city, while tests are being made.

**Regina, Sask.**—An effort is being made by the business men of Regina to have the Dominion Government extend its telegraph line from Qu'Appelle to Regina. It would be necessary to extend the existing line 70 miles to connect it with Regina, and the cost per mile would be approximately \$160.

**Winnipeg, Man.**—The sum of \$371,000 is being advanced to the city council by the sinking fund trustees for concrete lanes, street openings, granolithic sidewalks and No. 2 asphalt pavements for residential districts. This is in addition to \$125,000 already loaned this year to the council, and will total \$496,000.

**Brantford, Ont.**—The civic authorities and the Dominion Railway Commission have approved the general plans of the Lake Erie and Northern Railway Company for the raising of Lorne bridge, and for the construction of the inner retaining

wall of the railway; and it is expected that this work will commence at once.

**St. John, N.B.**—Mr. A. R. Gould, contractor for the railway being constructed down the St. John River valley from Woodstock, N.B., to the city of St. John, known as the St. John Valley Railway, when in Montreal recently, stated that the line between Gagetown and Centreville will be finished this year, and the track will be laid.

**Montreal, Que.**—Objections have been raised to the city conduit plant and construction work, and these must be considered by the Electric Service and Public Utilities commissions before final approval can be given for proceeding with the work. The chief objection to the St. Catharine Street conduit is that it was not provided for ventilation.

**Winnipeg, Man.**—After deducting the total operating expenses of \$41,252.09 from the total revenue, the balance sheet of the city of Winnipeg hydro-electric system shows a surplus of \$10,666.77 for the month of March. The deficit, which was incurred during the early months of the system's operation is gradually being reduced and this month stands at \$86,156.60.

**Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.**—The amount which the city of Sault Ste. Marie will pay the Tagona Water and Light Co. for the water and light system on October 14 next, when their franchise expires, has been fixed by the arbitrators at \$413,537.51. To this is to be added the statutory 10 per cent., which brings the total up to \$454,891.26. The Tagona Water and Light Co.'s original figure amounted to \$724,561.03.

**Galt, Ont.**—In his report on the waterworks system of Galt, Norman L. Wilson, the inspector for the Fire Underwriters' Association, pointed out an inadequate reservoir supply, and an inadequate source of water, artesian wells, showing evidence of diminishing the flow therefrom. He urged immediate steps to enlarge the visible supply reservoir to 3,000,000 gallons. The water commission has been considering means to increase the water supply for some time.

**Yorkton, Sask.**—The Yorkton board of trade sent a delegation recently to Winnipeg to endeavor to induce the C.N.R. to hasten the construction of its Yorkton branch, which is at present completed to within 18 miles east of the town, and graded as far as 20 miles west. The delegation was also commissioned to ask both the C.P.R. to extend its yards and to make improvements generally, and the G.T.P. to continue its train service which was in operation a year ago. It is stated that the last request has practically been granted.

**Vancouver, B.C.**—It is expected that by June 1, a portion of the wharf of the new dock which is being established on the south side of False Creek near the Great Northern bridge at Vancouver, by Messrs. McNeill, Welsh and Wilson, Limited, will be completed. The wharf is 308 feet long and 176 feet wide, and will be approached by a roadway from the present end of Front and Ontario Streets. A large tract of foreshore between the railway bridge and the dock is to be reclaimed in connection with the dockage scheme, and will be used for trackage facilities.

**Chatham, Ont.**—The Chatham Gas and Electric Light Company has renewed its offer to sell its plant to the city for \$410,000, plus the amount spent on capital account since the valuation of the plant made by the Hydro-Electric Commission. It is the intention of the city to use the plant of the gas company as a distributing station for Niagara power and to operate the gas end of the business as a public utility. The Hydro-Electric Commission recommended this deal to the city as the best business proposition when the city installed hydro-power. The council will give a decision within two weeks.

**Winnipeg, Man.**—What is stated to be a record piece of railway construction work has been accomplished by the