

CONTRACTS OPEN.

ALVINSTON, ONT.—Drake's basket factory will be rebuilt.

PICTOU, N.S.—Arrangements have been made for a water supply.

BEDFORD, QUE.—A residence will be built by W. J. Cockerline.

GEORGEVILLE, QUE.—Charles Hutchins intends building a cheese factory.

PEMBROKE, ONT.—It is said that J. W. Munro may build a saw mill here.

BALDWIN, ONT.—The ratepayers have decided to build a new school house.

KINGSVILLE, ONT.—The glass company will shortly erect packing rooms.

WHEATLEY, ONT.—William Heatherington will likely build a new residence.

EDMUNDSTON, N.B.—James Hay intends erecting a saw mill near this place.

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE, MAN.—The Central Electric Co. will remodel their plant.

WESTMOUNT, QUE.—The Grey Nuns have given a site for a new Catholic church.

CAMPBELLFORD, ONT.—It has been decided to build a Roman Catholic church here, of stone.

MITCHELL, ONT.—The town proposes laying cement sidewalks this year to the value of \$8,500.

GRAND MERE, QUE.—The Laurentide Pulp Co. are building the burned portions of their works.

STARHMORE, ONT.—The township of Roxborough will construct a number of drains this summer.

OSHAWA, ONT.—J. F. Grierson invites proposals up to June 4th for purchase of \$55,000 of debentures.

KINCARDINE, ONT.—The Government will be asked to make harbor improvements here to cost \$9,000.

BRACONDALE, ONT.—Miller & Son are preparing for an addition of 25,000 feet of glass to their greenhouses.

THAMESFORD, ONT.—Plans are being prepared for a brick parsonage in connection with the Episcopal church.

GRANENHURST, ONT.—The by-law to borrow \$10,000 to build town hall and improve streets was carried last week.

ROSSLAND, B. C.—The by-law to raise \$25,000 for a fire hall and library was ratified by the ratepayers last week.

ST. ANDREWS, N. B.—B. F. DeWolfe invites tenders up to 21st inst. for laying a sewer on the Alms House premises.

RAT PORTAGE, ONT.—E. F. Head, architect, wants tenders by 19th inst. for erection of brick veneered residence.

DUNNVILLE, ONT.—The town is offering for sale \$10,000 of sinking fund debentures. J. W. Holmes is town clerk.

WILKESPORT, ONT.—O. Bishop, clerk township of Sombra, invites tenders up to June 2nd for the construction of drains.

HUNTSVILLE, ONT.—W. Proudfoot has taken tenders on a brick veneered residence for Lewis Keown, at Cain's Corners.

FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—The Ogilvie Milling Co. announce their intention of proceeding with the erection of new mill here.

LISTOWEL, ONT.—The Listowel Furniture Co. are about to ask tenders for erection of factory. Dr. Rutherford is a director.

MONCTON, N. B.—Tenders for building subway at Amherst, N. S., are invited by the Intercolonial Railway up to Friday, 18th inst.

SYDNEY, C. B.—The ratepayers have authorized the council to borrow \$200,000 for street improvements, sewerage system, fire service, etc.

LETHBRIDGE, N. W. T.—Henderson & Downer are excavating for their brick

block, which will be two storeys with plate glass front.

CHAPLEAU, ONT.—J. McN. Austin wants bids by 22nd inst. for erection of Methodist parsonage, 25x35 feet. Plans at Mercury office.

MAISSONEUVE, QUE.—A proposition has been submitted to the council to build a large summer hotel here, for which plans have been prepared.

COURTLAND, ONT.—John Burnett, clerk township of Middleton, wants tenders by June 2nd for building wooden bridge over Big Otter creek.

LEAMINGTON, ONT.—Edgar Jeffrey will erect a residence, for which some of the contracts have been let.—A brick block will be built by William Irwin.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Arthur Ellis, architect, has reported on the question of adding an additional storey to the medical building of Queen's University.

CRUMLIN, ONT.—Edward Parker, this place, invites bids up to 21st inst. for erection of wind mill and pump for school section No. 2, North Dorchester.

BRANTFORD, ONT.—Voting on the by-law to raise \$12,000 for hospital improvements and \$25,000 for flood prevention works will take place on June 6th.

BERLIN, ONT.—It is said that Colonel Holmes, M. P., will recommend the Militia Department at Ottawa to erect an armory here, 40x60 ft., two storeys and basement.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The council will purchase 2,000 ft. of fire hose.—Plans are in course of preparation for the new dry goods warehouse to be built by Kenny & Co.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Last week the ratepayers carried a by-law to raise \$80,000 for school purposes, and defeated a by-law to borrow \$12,000 for new cemetery.

PERTH, ONT.—A three storey brick block will be built this summer by M. Drennan, to be 37x54 ft., of red pressed brick. Plans by M. C. Ryan, Smith's Falls.

ST. MARY'S, ONT.—A syndicate has been formed to open up extensive stone quarries in this vicinity. A branch line of railway to the quarries has been surveyed.

ST. CATHARINES, ONT.—Mr. Allan has submitted to the school board plans for heating St. Paul's ward school.—A movement is on foot to erect a new isolation hospital.

NEWCASTLE, N. B.—The town council has decided to purchase a stone crusher and engine to crush stones for the streets.—The school trustees purpose issuing bonds for \$6,000.

SANDYCOE, ONT.—There is a movement on foot here to open a summer resort, and to induce the Metropolitan Railway Co. to extend their road to this place and Craigvale.

SAULT STE. MARIE, ONT.—W. H. Hearst, secretary building committee, invites tenders up to 25th inst. for erection of stone schoolroom, 50 x 50 feet, in connection with Methodist church.

DORCHESTER STATION, ONT.—Bids are invited by W. B. Lane, clerk township of North Dorchester, up to 28th inst., for repair of Norsworthy drain. Plans at office of F. W. Farncombe, C. E., London.

FREDERICTON, N. B.—Tenders are invited up to Tuesday, 22nd inst., for the erection of brick and stone building for University of New Brunswick. Plans by G. E. Fairweather, architect, St. John.

CHATHAM, N. B.—At recent meeting of town council the board of works were empowered to engage an engineer to take levels in connection with proposed waterworks system. W. S. Loggie is mayor.

PARRY SOUND, ONT.—The town engineer has presented a report on the cost

of proposed water works extension.—Inland & Bundy have invited tenders for erection of printing office for the North Star.

HIBBERT, ONT.—The township council of Hibbert has instructed F. W. Farncombe, C. E., of London, to make a survey and estimate of cost of proposed drainage work in that township. Particulars from James Jordan, clerk.

KINNEAR'S MILLS, QUE.—Tenders are asked for construction of telephone line from Thetford Mines to this place, a distance of twelve miles. Particulars from W. Warcup, secretary-treasurer Kinnear's Mills Telephone Co.

PENETANGUISHENE, ONT.—The First Brook Box Co. expect to commence the building of their factory here at an early date.—Mr. Shanahan has asked the council for a loan of \$5,000 to assist him in extending his carriage factory.

LONDON, ONT.—H. C. McBride, architect, is this week taking tenders on erection of double brick residence.—Ormsby Graydon, city engineer, asks tenders up to 5 p. m. to-day (Wednesday) for construction of tile sewer on Dundas street.

STRATFORD, ONT.—The plans of the factory to be erected by George McLagan show a brick and stone structure, three stories, 53x302 ft., with concrete floors, fireproof doors, elevators, large tower, and auxiliary water supply for sprinkler system.

WHITBY, ONT.—A committee of the county council met last week to select plans for proposed House of Refuge. Two of these met with favor, the cost of carrying them out being about \$12,000. A decision will likely be reached on the 28th inst.

WINDSOR, ONT.—United States capitalists have submitted a proposition to the municipalities to build an electric railway from Windsor to Ruthven and from Kingsville to Leamington. Some of the municipalities have already granted franchises.

GRAND FORKS, B. C.—The ratepayers will shortly vote on a by-law to borrow \$50,000 for the following purposes: To extend water and electric light system, to erect an isolation hospital and fire hall, to purchase fire appliances, and to improve the streets.

COLLINGWOOD, ONT.—R. E. Speakman, C. E., of Toronto, has prepared plans for a sewerage system for this town.—It is announced that the Dominion supplementary estimates will contain an appropriation of \$200,000 for harbor improvements here.

LOUISBURG, C. B.—Tenders are wanted by the Louisburg Electric Water & Power Co. for trenching and laying of 4,000 feet of 8 inch and 9,000 feet of 6 inch water pipe. Plans at office of Dr. O'Neil, Louisburg, or M. G. Henniger, engineer, Sydney.

HINTONAURG, ONT.—Council has decided to submit a by-law to raise \$25,000 by debentures for waterworks extension.—The ratepayers will be asked to provide \$3,500 for the purchase of hose and hose reels, the erection of a fire station, and installation of a fire alarm system.

PORT COLBORNE, ONT.—M. J. Hogan and A. R. Macdonell, contractors for the harbor works, are placing large orders for plant and material.—H. Carscallen was in town recently in connection with the blast furnace project. The date for voting on the by-law has not yet been fixed.

ALMONTE, ONT.—F. W. Ashe, manager of the Union Bank, is said to have purchased a block of land at Green Point which to build a cottage.—The provincial road instructor in an address here last week advocated the construction of artificial stone walks and the employment of a stone crusher.