

WANTED

A Municipal Engineer for the Town of Campbellton, N.B. Must be capable of taking full control of water and sewerage systems. Position at once. Apply, stating references, to J. F. Andrew, Chairman Committee, Campbellton, N.B.

Tenders Wanted

Sealed tenders (marked "Tenders for Town Hall) in whole and part will be received by the Town Clerk, Meaford, up to and including APRIL 15th, for the several trades required in the erection and completion of a Town Hall. Plans and specifications may be seen at the Clerk's Office, Meaford, also at the Architects' Office, Toronto. No tender necessarily accepted.

ELLIS & CONNERY, Architects,
Manning Chambers, Toronto.

GEO. ALBERY, Town Clerk,
Meaford, Ont.

TOWN OF GODERICH

Province of Ontario

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Water and Light Commissioners, Goderich, Ont., until noon APRIL 20th, 1908, for the following works:

CONTRACT A—Covered Reinforced Concrete Sedimentation Basin Intermittent Type, with screen and valve chambers and appurtenances.

CONTRACT B—Cast Iron Flanged Pipe 18 inches dia. special castings, valves &c.

Plans and specifications prepared by J. Grant McGregor, C.E., will be on view at the above office, and copies of specifications and forms of proposal can be had on application on and after the 6th APRIL 1908.

The lowest or any tender need not necessarily be accepted.

W. T. MURNEY,

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Chairman of Commission.

W. A. McKIM,
Clerk.

As Other See Us.

Leslie M. Shaw, former Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, when in Montreal recently, expressed optimistic views of the future of the Canadian West. He declared that it was almost impossible to even estimate the future growth of the Canadian provinces west of the Great Lakes.

Calgary Gets Montreal Firm.

Work is to commence at once on a \$40,000 warehouse in Calgary, which is to be built for a large Montreal firm. The building will be just west of the Registry Office. This is practically the first Montreal firm to invade Calgary. The warehouse is to be the property of Sir John Langham and the Montreal firm to occupy it is one of the largest institutions in Canada.

The Hamilton building permits for March amounted to \$96,450, as compared with \$815,260 for the same month last year. The difference is accounted for by the fact that the contracts for a number of big works were let in March last year.

Revenue Increases for the Year.

The customs revenue of Canada for the fiscal year closing March 31st, reached the total of \$57,866,632 an increase of \$6,054,033 over last year when the total revenue was \$51,812,599. Custom receipts for March showed a decrease of \$745,334 as compared with March 1907. The months receipts were \$4,356,102.

Customs receipts for Toronto for the fiscal year ending March 31st showed an increase of \$2,947,496.26 over the returns on the same date in 1907. The total duty collected since the 31st of March last year, has been \$11,148,984.40, as compared with the showing of \$8,201,488.14 on the same day last year. The figures are deceptive, however, because some time ago the fiscal year was altered and the receipts reported on March 31st, 1907, were merely those of the previous nine months. The total duty collected during the past month was \$868,893.50, an increase of \$234,833.51 over March 1907.

Montreal's customs duties during the fiscal year, ending March 31st, were the largest in the history of the port, being \$16,480,921.38, as compared with a total of \$14,784,151.14 in the preceding twelve months, an increase of \$1,696,769.97. The greatest increase took place in July last, when an excess of \$458,499.73 was recorded, and the biggest decrease in March, when the collections fell \$186,047.21 short of those in the same month of last year.

Toronto Junction's customs receipts during March amounted to \$31,447.35 as compared with \$23,918.25 in March of last year, an increase of \$7,529.10. The total collections for the fiscal year amounted to \$290,012.13. The last fiscal year consisted of only nine months, but for the twelve months ending March 31st 1907, the collections were \$240,249.40. This year's increase is, therefore, \$49,762.73.

Winnipeg's Inland revenue collections for March were \$188,128.57. Twenty years ago the same month's collections were \$16,261.

The revenue returns of the United Kingdom for the year ending March 31st, show a total of \$782,688,459, a

net increase over the preceding twelve months of \$6,506,020.

Industry Steady, Railway Building Heavy.

The *Labor Gazette* for February showed little change in labor and industrial conditions for that month as compared with January. Compared with the corresponding month of 1907 conditions were less buoyant. The number of unemployed was less at several points than in January, owing to the heavy snowfalls which necessitated the employment of large numbers of men in the work of removal. In Western Canada and in Nova Scotia, the weather continued exceptionally mild.

The announcement of arrangements on an extensive scale for railway construction during the present year had a favorable effect, the outlook being that expenditures in this connection will exceed those of any previous year. Arrangements for the supply of labor were already being made. The money stringency, however, continued, being chiefly felt in the manufacturing industry, and in the building trades, in both of which the outlook was less favorable than at the corresponding period of 1907. In the mining industry, the Nova Scotia collieries were very busy, and there was an improvement in the metal mining camps of British Columbia. Lumbering and fishing continued dull, the effect being particularly felt in British Columbia and in the Maritime Provinces. The storing of ice was completed under exceptionally favorable conditions, the quality of the product being excellent and the supply abundant.

Architect Lennox Wins His Suit.

Mr. E. J. Lennox has been awarded \$2,757 by Chief Justice Falconbridge against Messrs. Hyslop Brothers. Mr. Lennox sued for \$3,200 for preparing plans for a garage to be erected on the site purchased by defendants at the corner of Queen and Victoria streets. The defendants repudiated part of the claim, on the ground that the plaintiff had not complied with the instructions given to him.