

CONTRACTS OPEN.

MALOG, QUE.—Extensive additions will be made to the print works shortly.

STAFFA, ONT.—The Foresters of this place are talking of erecting a new hall.

YARKEE, ONT.—The Bay of Quinte Railway will build a new station at this place.

ST. GEORGE, N. B.—A new steel bridge is to be built across the Maguadavic river.

EDMONTON, N. W. T.—The Methodist congregation have decided to erect a new church.

HESPERIA, ONT.—A site has been secured for a new church for the Church of England mission.

TRURO, N. S.—A large new building is to be erected on the Esplanade, to be used as an hotel.

RENFREW, ONT.—Messrs. Logan Bros. have decided to rebuild their woollen factory recently destroyed by fire.

STRATHALLEN, ONT.—The cheese factory at this place which was recently destroyed by fire, will be rebuilt, at a cost of \$30,000.

VICTORIA, B. C.—The funds for the proposed new Board of Trade building have all been subscribed with the exception of \$2,800.

INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, ONT. The Presbyterian congregation have decided to proceed with the erection of their church building this summer. Rev. Mr. Robertson, Pastor.

FORT WILLIAM, O. T.—Mr. I. J. Walsh will erect a new dwelling on Dease street.—Mr. R. Smith, of the Hotel Fort William, intends erecting an addition to the hotel.

NESBITT, MAN.—Tenders will shortly be called for the erection of a new Presbyterian church.—The Lake of the Woods Milling Company will build a large elevator here this summer.

SYDENHAM, ONT.—The by-law to grant a bonus to the Bay of Quinte Railway Company for the extension of their line to this village has been carried by the ratepayers of Loughboro' township.

TORONTO JUNCTION, ONT.—Mr. Barr, manager of the City and Suburban Street Railway Company, is considering the erection of a large power house for the purpose of supplying power to manufacturers.

WALKERVILLE, ONT.—Mr. C. C. Young, Secretary of Committee, will receive tenders until Monday, the 20th inst., for the erection of a brick Methodist church in this town. Plans at Mr. J. A. Grosseup's Windsor.

SARNIA, ONT.—A number of Lake Superior capitalists contemplate the erection of a pipe foundry in this town for the manufacture of cast iron and street and gas pipes. The capital stock of the company is \$150,000.

ERIE, ONT.—The Erie Glass Company has been organized with a capital stock of \$100,000. As soon as a charter is obtained, work will be commenced on the erection of a building suitable for the purposes of the company.

ARNDRIOR, ONT.—The by-law authorizing the corporation to take \$30,000 worth of stock in the Ottawa and Parry Sound Railway has been carried by the ratepayers, and it is stated that the construction of the road will be commenced at once.

GUELPH, ONT.—The Board of Education will receive tenders until Thursday, the 8th inst., for the painters' and glaziers' work required at the Collegiate Institute and public schools. Specifications may be seen at the office of John Day, architect.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Messrs. W. B. Nesbitt, S. H. Jones, F. Crompton and others of Toronto, are seeking incorporation as the Winnipeg and Atlantic Railway Company for the purpose of building a railway from Winnipeg eastward to the Bay of Seven Islands Quebec.

LATHAM, ONT.—Mr. J. L. Wilson has prepared plans for a new Presbyterian church to be erected by the congregation of Bridge End. The estimated cost is \$3,000.—The town council have decided to submit a by-law to the ratepayers to provide the sum of \$70,000 for the construction of a trunk sewer.

PRESCOTT, ONT.—A deputation recently visited Montreal for the purpose of interviewing the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk railway com-

panies regarding the erection of a grain elevator at this place. The managers of the companies expressed themselves as favorable to the project, and it is thought its erection will be secured.

LONDON, ONT.—McBride, Jones & Farncombe, architects, want tenders until noon to-day (Saturday) for the erection of a double brick dwelling on Central avenue for Mr. E. Shea.—Mr. J. M. Moore, C. E., of this city, has prepared plans for a new Methodist church at Granton.—It has been decided to erect a new building on the site of the First Congregational church, corner of Park and Dufferin avenues.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Mr. J. O. A. Laforest will receive applications until Tuesday, the 7th inst., for the position of Superintendent of Waterworks.—Mr. J. E. Vauier, C. E., has prepared plans for sewerage and waterworks system for the municipality of St. Lambert.—The Road Committee have recommended the construction of sewers on Butler avenue, to cost \$5,400, and on Notre Dame street east, cost \$8,500.—J. A. P. Bulman, architect, is preparing plans for 13 tenement houses and alterations on St. Catharine street, also for two small stores.—A. Gendron, architect, is preparing plans for four houses on Mountain street for Geo. Bishop, two stores and dwelling house in rear on Bleury street for Estate Durand, and also for two other houses.—Taylor & Gordon, architects, are calling for tenders for additions on Dorchester street. Tenders will shortly be asked for addition to the art gallery, Phillips Square, also for additions to the Boys Home, Mountain street, Messrs. Taylor & Gordon, architects.

TORONTO, ONT.—Mr. C. H. Mallory, 65½ Adelaide street East, has prepared plans for six detached and one attached residence to be erected on Bloor street west for Mr. Styles.—Mr. J. F. Hill, of Weston, intends to erect a residence on King street west, in this city.—The ratepayers will be asked to vote on a by-law authorizing the Industrial Exhibition Association, to issue debentures to the amount of \$150,000 for the purpose of erecting a grand stand, laying out a new horse ring, and other necessary improvements to the exhibition buildings. Plans are now being prepared by Mr. Mark Hall of Victoria street for the grand stand, which will cost \$50,000.—The City Council have decided to submit a by-law to the ratepayers providing for the raising of funds for widening and improving the Queen street subway.—Messrs. Hughes Bros. will enlarge the pavilion at Island Park.—Messrs. M. Banting & Co., 101 Bay street, want tenders for the erection of a house on Dunn avenue.—The congregation of the Northern Congregational Church on Church street have decided to rebuild their school rooms and re-fit the church edifice. Plans have already been approved of, and the work will be proceeded with at once. Rev. John Burton, pastor.—The Provincial Board of Health have recommended that the Local Board be directed to take steps to place Ashbridges Bay in a sanitary condition by the construction of a channel through the marsh, the dredging of an eastern outlet, and the continuation of the sewers into deep water.—The Public School Board, at a meeting held on Thursday evening last, decided to advertise for tenders for the erection of a four roomed school in Mabel street and the enlargement of the board room and inspector's office.—The congregation of St. Andrew's Church, corner of King and Simcoe streets are considering the removal of the church from the present site to one further north. The committee appointed have recommended in favor of a site in the neighborhood of Queen's Park.—The City Engineer has recommended the construction of the following works: Cedar block pavements on O'Hara ave., Evans ave., Montague Pl.; on Shaw st., from College to Bloor st., cost \$9,100; asphalt pavements on Rose ave., from Howard to Winchester st., cost \$26,700. Devonshire Pl., cost \$16,860, and on Parliament st., from Carlton to Winchester st., cost \$9,468, cobble stone pavements on lane between Tecumseth and Niagara sts., cost \$1,924; sewer on lane north of Queen st., cost \$926, on Roseberry ave., cost \$567, on Liberty st., cost \$571.—Mr. Weir, of 783 Yonge st., is about to erect 3 stores on his property north of 846 Yonge st.—The following building permits have been granted: D. Campbell, three det. bk. and stone, 2-story &

attic dwellings, w side Gordon ave., n. of Dale ave., cost \$15,000; Jas. Skyes, 14 Augusta ave., alterations at 41-43 Hayden st., cost \$1,000; H. D. Warren, 2-story bk. add. to 95 Wellesley st., cost \$3,000; Anderson & Sproule, 67 Cecil st., five att. 2-story & attic bk. dwellings, n. side of Irwin ave., w. of Yonge st., cost \$15,000. C. S. Rathbone, 187 St. Clarens ave., three pr. 2-story & attic bk. dwellings, n. of 187 St. Clarens ave., cost \$12,000; M. McMullen, pr. s. d. 2-story & attic bk. dwellings, s. side College st., 200 ft. e. of Brock ave., cost \$4,000. W. H. Hannah, 1 Napier st., pr. s. d. 2-story b. f. dwellings, e. side Wardell st., opp. De Grass st., cost \$1,800; O'Keefe & Co., bk. add. & alterations to brewery, n. w. cor. Gould & Victoria sts., cost \$33,000; Scott & Wright, Black Horse Hotel, two det. 2-story and attic bk. dwellings, n. side King st., w. of Wilson ave., cost \$4,000, McAllie & Newman, three s. d. 2-story & attic bk. dwellings, w. side Close ave., cor. Springhurst ave., cost \$10,800.

FIRES.

The steam roller mill at Stevensville, Ont., owned by Mr. A. Beemer, was totally destroyed by fire recently. Loss, about \$4,500; insurance, \$2,000.—The saw, shingle and lath mill of W. J. & H. W. Fowlds, of Hastings, Ont., was burned on Monday last. Loss, between \$8,000 and \$10,000; insurance, \$3,000.—A brick cottage at Listowel, Ont., owned by John Thompson, was destroyed by fire recently. Insurance \$500.—The residence of Maurice Marshall, Grandstone Island, Que., was burned on Friday last. Insurance, \$500.—The asbestos factory of Mr. B. Berry, on St. Valer St. Palais street, Quebec, was badly damaged by fire recently, the whole of the machinery being destroyed. Insurance, \$4,000.—Tait's saw mill at Onllva, Ont., was burned on Wednesday last. Loss, \$3,500.—Saylor's block at Trenton, Ont., was destroyed by fire on Monday last. Loss \$5,000; insurance, \$900.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

KNOWLTON, QUE.—The contract for slating the new church has been awarded to Messrs. Draper & Co., of Sutton.

PETERBORO, ONT.—Mr. Robt. Chikseale has been awarded the contract for the new addition to St. Andrew's church.

GUELPH, ONT.—The Board of Works have recommended that the contract for concrete paving be awarded to Mr. A. McQuillan.

STRATFORD, ONT.—The Stratford Iron & Bridge Co. has received the contract to erect a 54 foot bridge over Fish Creek in Blanshard Township. The superstructure will be of steel.

BETHEL, ONT.—The contract for the erection of the new Methodist church has been awarded to Messrs. Hume & Marwick, whose tender was \$4,600.

REGINA, N. W. T.—The Council received the following tenders for sewer extension: W. Henderson, \$3,050. Mr. Dodge, \$4,425. Chas. Willoughby, \$3,461, to whom the contract was awarded.

KINGSTON, ONT.—The Public School Board have accepted the following tenders for the erection of the new public school building: A. Newlands, masonry, \$7,955. B. Asselstine, carpenter work, \$5,100. Elliott Bros., tin-smithing and plumbing, \$1,577. Robinson Bros., painting \$915.

PARRY SOUND, ONT.—The following tenders were received for the construction of the water-works: J. H. Armstrong, Toronto, \$25,393; L. Gan & McAllister, Parry Sound, \$25,900. McQuillan & Co., Toronto, \$26,622.80. Garson & Purser, St. Catharines, \$26,800. Lindsay & Burdette, Collingwood, \$28,000. J. Farley, Toronto, \$30,383. The tender of J. H. Armstrong has been accepted by the Council.

SARNIA, ONT.—The contract for the carpenter work of Mr. Geo. S. Samis' new residence on Christina street has been awarded to Messrs. J. Lawrence & Son.—Contracts have been let as follows for a residence on Queen street for Mrs. D. Mackenzie. Mason work, Wm. Ellis, carpenter work, Jacob Lawrence & Sons; plastering, J. M. Jenkins, painting, H. Yard & Son; plumbing, Alex. Joss, unwork and furnace, J. Mahony.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Mr. J. A. P. Bulman, architect, has awarded contracts as follows for a residence on Dorchester street for Mr. G. Conroy Mason, Geo. Morrison & Co., bricklayer A. Gauthier, carpenter, R. Neville. Other trade not let.—The Water Committee of the City Council have awarded tenders as follows: Canada Pipe Company, 2800 tons of water pipes, at \$37 per ton; Garth & Co., 2,500 pounds of brass castings, at 1½ cents per pound, W. C. White, pig lead, at \$64.90 per ton; Thos. Robertson & Co., tin and copper. The contract for 850 tons of iron castings was divided between the Canada Pipe Company and P. Amasse, at \$50 per ton.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Board of Directors of the Toronto Athletic Club have accepted the following tenders for the completion of their building: masonry, Oakley & Holmes, carpenter work, Mr. Onderkirk; plastering, A. H. Rundle, steam fitting and heating, Bennett & Wright, copper and galvanized iron, Douglas Bros., sheeting and tiling, Mr. Hudson, Messrs. Rice Lewis & Son, hardware merchants of this city, have been awarded the contract for the supply of builder's hardware for the new Parliament buildings. The Board of Works have accepted the following tenders: Sewer on Emerson avenue, Smith & Wilson, \$2,516; on St. Clarens avenue, J. J. Booth, \$5,600; Rosedale road J. J. Booth, \$439; Tyndal avenue, \$247; Glen road, \$24; Roxborough street, \$727; J. Farley, Pine Hill road, W. H. Cathro, \$347. Cobble block paving lane off Jordan street to J. J. Booth \$751. Cobble pavement on lane near York street, J. Farley, \$880; Cedar block pavement Prince street, \$253.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

The editor of the CANADIAN ARCHITECT AND BUILDER has received a communication signed "Lux," which cannot be published until the author forwards his name and address as a guarantee of his *bona fides*.

MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

LEGAL DECISIONS AFFECTING MUNICIPALITIES.

An interesting arbitration has just taken place at the Law Courts says the *Bulletin Reporter* which occupied five days in hearing, before Professor Henry Robinson, M.Inst. C. E., between Messrs. S. H. Johnson & Co., of Stratford, and the Hornsey Local Board, in connection with the payment for certain sewage works. The Board's engineer (Mr. T. de Courcy Meade, M.Inst. C.E.) refused to certify for the final payment for the machinery on the ground that it did not work to his satisfaction. The Board finally removed the machinery and replaced with other machinery of another firm. Messrs. Johnson sued for the balance (10 per cent.) and the Board counterclaimed for difference in cost between machinery removed and that substituted. Mr. Meade gave evidence in support of the Board's case, and his views were confirmed by Mr. Santo Crimp, M.Inst. C.E., District Engineer of the London County Council, Mr. G. R. Strachan, Assoc. M.Inst. C.E., of Westminster, and Mr. William Warner, of the firm of Goddard, Massey & Warner, who erected the substituted machinery. On behalf of Messrs. Johnson, evidence was given by Mr. S. H. Johnson, and Mr. Hutchinson, member of the firm, Mr. J. C. Melliss, Assoc. M.Inst. C.E., and by several of the men in the employ of Messrs. Johnson. Professor Robinson has now issued his award, which directs the Local Board to pay to Messrs. Johnson the sum of 36l. 17s. 6d. for a screen which was not included in the contract, the Board not to pay Messrs. Johnson the balance on the contract amount, and Messrs. Johnson to pay to the Board 150% as damages and also to bear the costs of the award.