

OTTAWA, ONT.—Stephen E. O'Brien, secretary Ottawa Improvement Commission, desires tenders by Wednesday, 25th inst., for supply of 870 tons of rubble limestone and 5,600 cubic yards of earth or other filling. The commission has definitely decided to bridge the canal at Somerset street and to continue the canal drive down Somerset street to the Rideau river.—The Ottawa Improvement Commission is taking tenders on a ten-ton steam road roller.—It is said that tenders for the Lachine canal at Montreal will be cancelled and new bids invited on amended specifications.—The contract for harbor works at Sorel, Que., is expected to be awarded this week.—The Board of Health has deferred the matter of building a contagious diseases' hospital until after the first of the year, when plans will be completed.—The following building permits have been granted: Alphonse Rehaune, frame dwelling, Dufferin road, cost \$1,500; Joshua Mix, brick dwelling, Cambridge street, cost \$1,600.

TORONTO, ONT.—Tenders are wanted at 156 Hallam street for plumbing of two houses.—The Committee of Works have adopted the combined system of sewers providing for storm water in the Indian road district, as recommended by the city engineer.—It is understood that a local capitalist has purchased about three acres of land in Queen's park, near Wycliffe College, on which it is the intention to build residences, the plans of which have been prepared by Mr. Frank Darling, of the firm of Darling & Pearson, architects.—Speaking of the extension of suburban lines, Mr. William McKenzie, of the Toronto Railway Co., has stated that the Scarborough line would be carried further into the country.—At a meeting of the University of Toronto Alumni Association held on Saturday last, a resolution was passed in favor of building a memorial hall on the University grounds in commemoration of the volunteers who fell at Ridgeway. The building is estimated to cost \$25,000 and to accommodate 1,500 people.—The city engineer has recommended the construction of the following works: Asphalt pavement on Church street, from King to Wellington, cost \$5,840; cedar block pavement on King street, from Sherbourne to River, cost \$12,430; asphalt pavement on Ossington place, from point 260 feet of Ossington avenue, cost \$1,870; cement concrete sidewalks on the following streets: Ossington-place, cost \$300; Sherbourne street, 51 feet south of Queen to Duke street, cost \$763; Ontario street, from Carlton to Winchester, cost \$436; Lower avenue, south side, from St. George street to Spadina road, cost \$1520, and from Bedford-road to St. George street, cost \$658; Crawford street, east side, from Queen 1483 feet north, cost \$2554; Seaton street, east side, from Wilton avenue to Carlton, cost \$3230, west side, cost \$3200; Clinton street, west side, from College to 2305 feet north, cost \$2587; Richmond street, north side, from 159 feet west of Yonge to Bay, cost \$1120; Scott street, west side, Colborne to 104 feet south, cost \$273; Bleecker street, east side, from Carlton to Wellesley, cost \$1201, west side, from Wellesley to Howard, cost \$1244.

FIRES.

The Farmers' elevator at Alexander, Man., totally destroyed; loss \$5,000.—The Garrison Chapel at Halifax; loss \$2,000; no insurance.—The "Earnschiffe" dwelling in Ottawa, for thirteen years the residence of Sir John Macdonald, damaged to the extent of \$2,500.—Dry goods store of Geo. Brown in Ottawa; building total loss.—Store of J. N. Richmond at Portage la Prairie, Man.; loss \$8,000.

G. G. Bryant & Company, contractors, Quebec, have dissolved partnership.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

EXETER, ONT.—The council has purchased a Ronald fire engine.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The contract for a new \$40,000 Methodist church has just been let.

SANDON, B. C.—Folliott & McMillan have secured the contract for construction of city hall; price \$3,195.

HINTONBURG, ONT.—Village debentures have been sold to John Manuel, of Ottawa, at 98 centson the dollar.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.—Alterations to store of Stanley Bros.; H. & S. Lowe, contractors, cost about \$1,500.

PELEE ISLAND, ONT.—\$4,955 5 per cent. debentures have been sold to Thos. Bain, of Dundas, at premium of \$450.

VICTORIA, B. C.—The B. C. Land & Investment Agency have purchased \$15,350 city improvement debentures, at par.

BRACEBRIDGE, ONT.—The offer of C. H. Kenny, on behalf of the Bank of Ottawa, has been accepted by the town for purchase of \$27,000 of debentures.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—The tender of the Bank of Nova Scotia has been accepted for \$13,009.33 ten year local improvement debentures, at par and accrued interest.

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—Dunwich township council have let a contract to the Hamilton Bridge Co. for a truss steel bridge over the Port Talbot creek, to cost \$1,100.

BERLIN, ONT.—Addition to factory of Williams, Greene & Rome: General contractor, Mr. Braun; carpentry, Berner & Forwell; painting, H. Vetter; tinsmithing, P. Hymen.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Davis & Sons, of this city, have been awarded a contract to build a steamer 110 feet long, with compound engines and a Clyde boiler, for Mr. Roy, of Cornwall.

ST. JOHN, N.B.—A. Dodge has secured the contract for construction of carriage house and stable for Manchester, Robertson & Allison.—F. M. Sumner, of Moncton, and J. Barnes, M. P. P., of Buc-touche, have been awarded the contract for erection of telephone line from this city to St. Stephen. The contractors are now letting contracts for poles and other materials.

FREDERICTON, N.B.—The contract for building Dunham wharf, in the parish of Kingston, Kings county, has been awarded by the department of public works to Thos. Gilliland, of Nauwigewauk. The contract for building Lee Flewelling's wharf, on Gondola Point road, Kings county, has also been let to T. Gilliland.

TILBURY, ONT.—Five offers were received for purchase of \$5,000 30 year 5 per cent. village debentures, as follows: G. A. Stimson & Co., Toronto, \$131.50 premium (accepted); H. O'Hara & Co., Toronto, \$105.00 premium; F. Marx, Chatham, \$75.00 premium; H. H. Shaver, at par, and offer from Boston at par.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Board of Control last week recommended the acceptance of the following tenders for annual city supplies: Lumber for the waterworks—Arthur Bryce, pine, of varying lengths, \$16.50, \$17 and \$18 per thousand; hemlock, \$12.50, \$13 and \$13.50 per thousand. Cedar paving posts—Dominion Paving & Constructing Co., \$6.45 per cord. Sidewalk lumber—Arthur Bryce, planking and scantling, \$15.25 per thousand feet; Reid & Co., boards, \$14.97 per thousand feet. Paving brick—To be delivered east of Simcoe street, Taylor Bros., No. 1 brick, \$15 per thousand or \$14.50 f.o.b. cars; No. 2, \$6.50 or \$9 f.o.b. cars. Paving brick, to be delivered west of Simcoe street, No. 1, \$14.50 f.o.b. cars; No. 2, \$9.50 or \$9 f.o.b. cars. Brass and bronze castings—John G. and Thos. Dean, lumimum bronze, 8 cents per lb.; phospho

bronze, 19½ cents; tobin bronze, 8 cents; castings, 18 cents, babbitt, 14 cents. Lubricating oils—Queen City Oil Co., 28 cent per gallon for cylinder oils and 22 cents for engine oils. Lead pipe—James Robertson & Co., \$5.10 per cwt. Cast iron pipe—Canada Foundry Company, 3 inch, \$3.25 per length; 4 inch, \$4 per length; 6 inch, \$5.75 per length; 8 inch, \$8.75 per length; 10 inch, \$10.75 per length; 12 inch, \$16.50 per length. Iron valves, Canada Foundry Co. Hydrants—John Whitefield & Co., four-way, \$64.90, two-way, \$29.75; Canada Foundry Co., three way, \$34.50. Gravel—screened, delivered east of Simcoe street, John Bourne, at \$1.25 per cubic yard west of Simcoe, John Mullin, \$1.20. Gravel, unscreened, east of Simcoe, Edwin Ast'ron & Sons, at 73 1/2 cents; west of Simcoe, John Bourne and John Mullin at 80 cents. Wire nails—Thomas Meredith & Co., at \$2.70 per 100 lbs. Sand—west of Simcoe street, Jos. Gaby, at 74 cents per cubic yard; east of Simcoe, Edwin Ast'ron & Sons, at 75 1/2 cents; iron and steel, Thos. Meredith & Co. There were three tenders for sewer pipes, as follows:

SEWER PIPE.

| | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 |
|----------------|--------|---------|--------|
| 4 in., per ft. | 5 3/4 | 6 | 6 |
| 6 " | 8 3/8 | 10 1/2 | 12 1/2 |
| 9 " | 16 1/4 | 16 1/2 | 17 1/2 |
| 12 " | 25 | 29 1/4 | 25 |
| 15 " | 37 | 50 | 30 |
| 18 " | 50 | 68 | 35 |
| 24 " | 96 | 146 1/4 | 75 |

INVERTS.

| | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 |
|------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2 x 1 ft., 9 in. | ... | 52 | 50 |
| 2 x 3 ft. " | ... | 62 | 75 |

STOPPERS.

| | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 6 in. | 3 | 10 | 10 |
| 9 in. | 6 | 10 | 15 |

CURVES, ELBOWS AND BENDS.

| | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 |
|------------|--------|-------|-------|
| 6 1/2 inch | 32 1/2 | 50 | 50 |
| 6 1/4 " | 32 1/2 | 50 | 50 |
| 9 1/4 " | 66 | 100 | 100 |
| 9 1/2 " | 66 | 100 | 100 |
| 12 1/4 " | 103 | 25 | 125 |
| 12 1/2 " | 103 | 25 | 125 |
| 15 1/4 " | 140 | 25 | 150 |
| 15 1/2 " | 140 | 25 | 150 |
| 18 1/4 " | 192 | 25 | 200 |
| 18 1/2 " | 192 | 25 | 200 |

PIPE—ONE FT. LONG.

| | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 |
|----------|--------|--------|-------|
| 6 inches | 8 4/5 | 10 1/2 | 20 |
| 9 " | 16 1/4 | 16 1/2 | 30 |

JUNCTIONS—TWO FEET LENGTHS.

| | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 |
|---------|-------|-------|-------|
| 6 off 6 | 40 | 75 | 50 |
| 6 " 9 | 73 | 100 | 100 |
| 6 " 12 | 113 | 115 | 125 |
| 6 " 12 | 113 | 115 | 125 |
| 6 " 15 | 166 | 170 | 300 |
| 9 " 15 | 166 | 170 | 300 |
| 6 " 9 | 73 | 100 | |
| 6 " 18 | 225 | 230 | 400 |
| 9 " 18 | 225 | 230 | 400 |
| 12 " 18 | 166 | 25 | 300 |
| 12 " 15 | 225 | 25 | 400 |
| 12 " 12 | 113 | 25 | 125 |

REDUCERS.

| | No. 1 | No. 2 | No. 3 |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 6 to 4 inch | 35 | 72 | 50 |
| 9 " 6 " | 65 | 100 | 75 |

The lowest tender in each case was recommended for acceptance.

BIDS.

HALIFAX, N.S.—The city council opened tenders last week for a loan of \$90,000. Only two were received, as follows: J. C. McIntosh, Halifax, \$84,712; Central Canada Loan & Savings Co., Toronto, \$87,727. No tender was accepted.

A meeting of the creditors of E. T. Balanger, painter, Ottawa, was held on the 17th inst.