North Battleford, Sask.—Messrs. Kilbride, Kilbride & Sutherland, of North Battleford and Calgary, have received the contract for 180,000 sq. ft. of concrete sidewalk. Price, 10-ft. walk, 18c.; 6-ft., 5-ft., and 4-ft. walk, 15c.

Port Arthur, Ont.—The Northern Electric & Manufacturing Co. have been awarded the contract for the installation of a fire alarm system at a cost of \$10,343.

Prince Albert, Sask.—The Ambursen Hydraulic Construction Co. of Montreal, has been awarded the contract for the construction work on the proposed Lacolle Falls power scheme. The estimated cost of the whole undertaking totals up to \$945,000.

Regina, Sask.—Contracts for trunk sewer pipe have been awarded by the city council as follows:—

I.—Seventh Avenue Trunk Sewer, the Canadian Lock

Joint Pipe Company, \$41,133.70. 2.—Wascana Valley Trunk Sewer Contract No. 1, the American Sewer Pipe Company, \$29,631.04.

3.—Wascana Trunk Sewer Contract No. 2, Messrs. Broley & Dicken, of Fernie, B.C., \$20,585.20.

Toronto, Ont.—Dredging of Approach Channel to Ferry Wharves at Hanlan's Point, in Toronto Bay: Contractors, the General Construction & Dredging Co., Ltd., of Toronto.

Upper Salmon River, N.B.—Pier: Contractors, Warren Downey and Oscar Downey, of Curryville, N.B.

Victoria, B.C.—The British-American Construction Company have been awarded contracts for the construction of the piers, landing stage, building platform and launching ways in connection with the construction of the G.T.P. drydock at Prince Rupert.

Victoria, B.C.—The contract for the work on the new High School on the site at Fernwood Road, has been awarded to Messrs. Dinsdale & Malcolm. The building is to cost about \$329,000.

Winnipeg, Man.—The Burridge-Cooper Comp ny, Limited, of Winnipeg, have the contract for supplying a 50-h.p. gasoline traction engine, delivered f.o.b. city yards at \$3,350.

Winnipeg, Man.—Supply of ten double end asphalt wagons, to be delivered f.o.b. cars, city yards; contractors, Messrs. Burridge-Cooper Co., Ltd., Winnipeg; cost, \$3,440.

Winnipeg, Man.—Engineer of Construction, J. W. Astley, Winnipeg, has the contract for the erection of a machine shop at city yards, Ross Avenue and Tecumseh Street, at a cost of \$16,568.

Winnipeg, Man.—The firm of Barrett & McQueen, contractors, were awarded the contract by the C.P.R. for the erection of a million-bushel transfer elevator in the company's new yards in North Transcona.

RAILWAYS-STEAM AND ELECTRIC.

Calgary, Alta.—A report states that within a month or two work will be started on the building of a railway to the property of the Alberta and Canada Iron Syndicates, 25 miles west of the town of Okotoks, and when the railway is completed, a great smelter and a 400 ton stamp mill will be erected and iron will be mined. The whole project will involve the expenditure of around \$5,000,000. P. Burns is behind the venture.

Province of British Columbia.—Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann have purchased the Butte Inlet Railway Charter in this province. It is reported that they will construct about twenty miles of the line during the coming season.

Eastern Ontario.—The Canadian Pacific Railway have recently installed a new block signal system on their lines between Hull and Ottawa. According to the system a train cannot leave Hull or Ottawa before the conductor has obtained a staff which is locked and unlocked by electrical means. Only by deliberately ignoring the system could a collision of two trains occur between Hull and Ottawa.

Province of New Brunswick. Contracts are being closed for the construction of Gibson and Minto Railway during the season now opening.

Sir Thomas Tait, as president of the Fredericton and Grand Lake Coal and Railway Company, is signing the contract with the Provincial Government, and the work has been offered to Messrs. A. E. Trites & Son, and will be, it is expected, accepted by them. Northern Ontario.—The T. & N. O. Commissioners have placed an order for a gas-electric car according to a recent report.

Welland, Ont.—A deputation of farmers, fruit-growers and business men from Pelham and Font Hill were promised consideration of their request for line extension from the management of Niagara, St. Catharines and Toronto Electric Railway.

Western Canada.—Revision of existing grades and surveys for double tracking the Canadian Pacific main line between Vancouver and Calgary, a distance of over 600 miles, are now under way. The work is in charge of F. F. Busteed, former general superintendent of the British Columbia division, who has established headquarters at Kamloops, B.C.

LIGHT, HEAT AND POWER.

Prince Albert, Sask.—Mr. J. R. Heckle, representing the Ambursen Hydraulic Construction Company, has made a proposition to the municipal council of this city regarding the construction of a dam and headworks for the Lacolle Falls power scheme.

Province of Quebec.—A notice has been sent out from the department dealing with the provincial water powers to the effect that the proposed auction of water powers in this province arranged to be held on May 14th next has been postponed until June 26th by order of the Minister of Lands and Forests.

Winnipeg, Man.—Considerable activity will soon be witnessed in the matter of line construction in and around this city owing to the department having charge of the civic light and power calling tenders for 2,000 wooden poles.

GARBAGE, SEWAGE AND WATER.

Cartierville, P.Q.—A sterilization system depending on hypochlorite of calcium has been installed in this municipality under the supervision of Engineer Meadows, of the Provincial Board of Health. The system has given satisfactory service so far.

Toronto, Ont.—The cost of constructing the filtration plant at the Island has amounted to \$40,000 above the original estimates. The additional expense is made up as follows:— Changes in the electrical equipment at the pumping station and the installation of the Island pumping plant at the station, \$9,000; extra fill for the clear water reservoir, \$3,500; additional motors, \$2,000, and the balance in miscellaneous work.

Winnipeg, Man.—Owing to an accident at the pumping plant at the main city well the city was recently on the verge of a water famine, as a supply of 5,000,000 gallons of the 7,500,000 gallons is expected from this source.

BUILDINGS AND INDUSTRIAL WORKS.

Calgary, Alta.—Negotiations that have been under way for some time have been concluded and as a result the Winona Pioneer Tractor Company will erect a large plant in this city.

Edmonton, Alta.—Work will commence on a new Grand Trunk Pacific hotel at Edmonton, Alberta, which will be a third link in the chain of hotels which this company intends to build throughout Western Canada. For some time Messrs. Ross & McFarlane, architects, of Montreal and Winnipeg, have been engaged in the preparation of plans, and within a few weeks the actual construction work will begin.

Edmonton, Alta.—The directors of the Alberts College have purchased 240 acres and are about to erect a modern educational institution for boys and young men.

Fort William, Ont.—The Edwardsburg Starch Company, propose the erection of a starch and syrup factory to cost \$350,000.

Hamilton, Ont.—Mr. M. S. Glassco and G. B. Jacobs are looking for a suitable site on which to erect a jam factory. The capital of the new concern is given as \$100,000.

Medicine Hat, Alta.-Messrs. Bennett and Lockwood are about to erect a new hotel on Montreal Street, and W. R.