

FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—A portion of the waterworks system is completed. Further mains will be laid in the spring.

PICTON, ONT.—The Loyal True Blue Association is calling for tenders for alterations and additions to a building in this town, to be used as a home for children.

KINCARDINE, ONT.—On January 2nd the ratepayers will vote on a by-law to grant a bonus of \$4,000 to Hunter Bros., to assist them in extending their bridge-building works.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I.—The council will probably purchase 1,000 feet of fire hose.—The work of constructing sewers throughout the city will be continued in the spring.

ROXTON FALLS, QUE.—The town has agreed to give a bonus of \$20,000 to Rolland Bros., of Montreal, to establish here a manufactory of cabinet hardware, upholstery goods, etc.

ORILLIA, ONT.—At a meeting of the building committee of the School Board held last week, a number of plans were submitted for a new high school. No definite action was taken.

CHATHAM, ONT.—The city council has received a communication from a firm in Belgium desirous of establishing in Canada a factory for the manufacture of window and stained glass.

BILLING'S BRIDGE, ONT.—The petition presented to the council at its last meeting asking for a waterworks system was insufficiently signed, and the matter has been shelved for the present.

CORNWALL, ONT.—An electrical engineer has estimated that the cost of installing an arc lighting plant in connection with the proposed water power will be between \$12,000 and \$15,000.

CARADOC, ONT.—George B. Burwell has served the Middlesex county council with a writ restraining the council from erecting a bridge over the river Thames, between Caradoc and Delaware.

HAMILTON, ONT.—There is a probability that the Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo Railway Company will build a spur line to the northeastern part of the city. The cost will be about \$40,000.

HALIFAX, N. S.—Charles E. Church, Commissioner of Public Works, has given notice that it is proposed to construct a bridge across the channel leading from Lunenburg Bay to Upper South Cove.

WALLACEBURG, ONT.—The Chatham township council has authorized the clerk to prepare a by-law for borrowing the money necessary for the construction of a new outlet for the Skinner drainage works.

OSHAWA, ONT.—A by-law to raise \$110,000 by the issue of debentures for the construction of waterworks and sewerage systems has been passed by the council. A vote of the ratepayers will be taken on the question on January 21st.

AMHERSTBURG, ONT.—The treasurer has been authorized to dispose of the Richmond street sewer debentures by tender or otherwise. The town will also issue debentures to the amount of \$4,000 to cover the cost of constructing permanent pavements.

SEAFORTH, ONT.—The county commissioner has recommended that a steel bridge, 100 feet long, with concrete abutments, be built at Summerhill next spring. He also recommends that a bridge twenty feet long be built at the boundary of Hullett and McKillop.

VICTORIA, B. C.—Tenders are invited by the Department of Public Works, Ottawa, up to Tuesday, January 10th, for the supply of telegraph poles for a line from Alberni to Cape Beale, a distance of 38 miles. Specifications at office of William Henderson, Clerk of Works, this city.

STAYNER, ONT.—The waterworks by-law was carried by the ratepayers on the

13th inst. The plans for the proposed system, which will cost \$24,000, were prepared by Mr. John Galt, C. E. The gravitation system will be employed, the supply to be obtained from the springs in the neighboring hills.

GANANOQUE, ONT.—The town council discussed, at a recent meeting, the question of submitting a by-law to the ratepayers at the municipal elections, providing for the construction of waterworks and sewerage systems. It was decided that before submitting the by-law plans and an estimate of the cost should be prepared.

PEMBROKE, ONT.—Certain citizens interested in the cottage hospital propose to take steps to erect a building at an early date.—Estimates have been received by the council for the superstructure of the Mary street bridge. The chairman of the Public Works Committee has been requested to present a full report thereon at the next meeting of council.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—The Howard block at the corner of Bridge street and Clifton avenue has been purchased by James Dickinson, of the Grand Central Hotel, with whom is associated the O'Keefe Brewing Company, of Toronto. It is said to be the intention of the new proprietor to remodel the block into a first-class hotel of thirty rooms.

WOODSTOCK, N. B.—It is probable that next year an asphalt pavement will be constructed on Main street.—The Mayor has received a communication from an Ontario syndicate, who have in view the erection of a pulp mill in eastern Quebec or New Brunswick. A letter has also been received from a gentleman in Michigan who desires to establish an excelsior factory in this vicinity.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.—D. Murchie is excavating for a two-storey building 66 x 32 feet.—The plans of Gunther & Van Aiken, architects, have been accepted for a new church for St. Paul's congregation. Tenders will be invited immediately for a building 30 x 60 feet, with seating accommodation for 250 people.—The Freemasons' Society have decided to rebuild the Masonic Hall.

GALT, ONT.—The plans for the new G. T. R. station show a brick structure, with brown stone trimmings, comprising ticket office, waiting rooms, baggage rooms, and open space roofed in for luggage. Work will commence in the spring.—It has been found necessary to postpone until January 9th the submission of the by-law to issue debentures for \$67,750 to acquire the Galt Gas Light Company's plant.

PORT ARTHUR, ONT.—There are now twelve survey parties at work on the line of the Ontario and Rainy River Railroad. It is expected that by the end of May next the rails will be laid on 20 miles of roadbed, extending from Stanley station to the Mattawan river. The company hope to obtain a grant of \$6,400 per mile from the Dominion government at the coming session, in which case an effort will be made to complete the railway within two years.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Ex-Mayor John Carson will probably build an opera house on the corner of Princess and Clergy streets.—A meeting of the Summer Hotel Committee of the Board of Trade was held last week, to consider the erection of a modern summer hotel, to cost about \$100,000. It was agreed to take action at once, and a committee, consisting of A. Chadwick, E. J. B. Pense and George Cliff, was appointed to secure options on suitable sites.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—F. T. Schooley has asked the city for permission to erect a building on Harris street for the Royal Soap Works.—The council has exempted from taxation certain C. P. R. properties, in consideration of the company expending \$100,000 on permanent improvements in

this city. The proposed improvements include a new building.—English capitalists are said to be considering the erection of a large hotel on the northwest corner of Granville and Hastings streets.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—The city council has granted the necessary supply of water to the Cushing Sulphite Fibre Company, and consequently the erection of the proposed pulp mill will be proceeded with.—The council has appointed a committee to consider the matter of procuring a new ferry steamer.—George McAvity and G. G. Ruel, of this city, and others, are applying for incorporation as the New Brunswick Cold Storage Company, Limited, with a capital stock of \$250,000.

QUEBEC, QUE.—The Minister of Public Works has recently authorized the construction of a bridge over the Mistassini river, in the Lake St. John district.—H. Stavelly, architect, 92 St. Peter street, invites tenders up to Tuesday, January 3rd, for the erection of a car barn in St. Sauveur for the Quebec, Montmorency and Charlevoix Railway Co.—The city engineer has prepared plans for an ice-house, 20 x 40 feet, to be erected in Victoria park.—E. Martineau has taken out a permit for alterations to his property, corner St. Joseph and Chapel streets, cost \$4,000.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Ogilvie estate contemplate making extensive alterations to the Queen's block on St. Catharines street. The improvements will cost \$100,000, and will include the addition of a storey to the present structure and the remodeling of the Empire building. Messrs. A. G. Ross & Co. are agents for the Ogilvie estate.—Mr. Lessard, government inspector, has reported that the civic hospital is uninhabitable, and it is probable that a new building will be erected.—Alexander Robertson, secretary Harbor Commissioners, wants tenders by Tuesday, 27th inst., for the supply of timber and planks. Particulars from John Kennedy, chief engineer.—At a meeting of the harbor commissioners held last week, it was decided to take steps to secure the erection of a grain elevator.—It is stated that the Quebec Central Railway management contemplate building a spur line into Maine.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Harvie & Company, of Toronto, are considering the question of establishing a box factory at the Chaudiere.—The new Maria street bridge will be a steel structure and will cost upwards of \$40,000.—The Separate School Board has appointed a committee to report as to the necessity of additional accommodation in the Breboeuf and Guegue's schools.—The parish board of the Church of Our Father has appointed a committee to secure a site for a new church building. G. C. Holland is president of the board.—A proposal has been made to have the new shops of the Canada Atlantic Railway operated by electricity.—The proposed addition to the drill hall will not be commenced before next midsummer, as it will be necessary to obtain an appropriation therefor at the forthcoming session of parliament.—Mr. E. J. Chamberlain, general manager of the Canada Atlantic Railway, states that a number of plans for the proposed central depot have been prepared, but no selection has as yet been made.—At a meeting of the Carleton county council held in this city recently, an agreement was reached whereby the building of a bridge between the townships of Pakenham and Fitzroy will be proceeded with.—Application will be made to parliament for the incorporation of a company to build a railway from Klondike City to Bonanza creek, Indian river and Yukon river, with branches to different points.—The new Congregational church will be located on Somerset street.—Hiram S. Maxim, of London, Eng., and Charles L. James, of Boston, are in the city with a view to