

way Company will commence work at an early date on their central passenger depot, in accordance with the terms of their agreement with the city.—Application is being made to the provincial government for the incorporation of the Ottawa Stockyards & Abattoir Company, represented by Mr. George E. Kidd, barrister.—The corporation of the University of Ottawa have purchased the Shea property on Wilbrod street, and will commence at an early date the erection thereon of a large stone building, to be used as a museum.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The plans of the new Grand Trunk offices to be built on McGill street have been deposited at the city hall, and call for an expenditure of \$400,000. We are advised by the management that no contracts in connection with the proposed building have as yet been awarded, and it is somewhat indefinite as to when they will be.—Some of the citizens of St. Genevieve and Point Claire are considering the advisability of connecting the two parishes by an electric railway, having for its object increased facilities for communication with Montreal.—Notice has been given that it is proposed to construct sewers on St. Antoine street, Des Rivières avenue, and Chausse street, from Ontario street southwards.—It is the intention of the management of the Union Stock Yards to build a modern abattoir to replace the one which was destroyed by fire some time ago.—The Finance Committee has granted \$3,000 to the Water Committee for a new service pipe, \$3,000 to repair the turbine wheels, and \$700 for repairs to the condenser.—Mr. W. C. McDonald has donated to the Department of Electric Engineering at McGill University the sum of \$30,000 with which to purchase modern electrical apparatus.—The Grand Trunk Railway are about to undertake the construction, at their shops at Point St. Charles, of 200 flat cars, at a cost of \$100,000.—The Harbor Commissioners want tenders by Thursday, 3rd inst., for the supply of 1,200 tonne of Banc Rouge stone. Address, Alexander Robertson, secretary.—The Beaver Portland Cement Company, capital \$150,000, is seeking incorporation, to manufacture Portland and other cements. R. T. Hooper, Q.C., R. D. McGibbon, Q.C., and W. F. Robinson, of this city, are provisional directors.

TORONTO, ONT.—Tenders are wanted for additions and alterations to office of Reinhardt & Co., Mark street.—The time for receiving tenders for elevators for the new municipal buildings has been extended until noon on Friday, November 4th.—A sub-committee of the Property Committee appointed to consider water front improvements will recommend that a by-law to provide \$40,000 for the purpose be submitted to the ratepayers. Mr. Sankey has prepared plans of two proposed schemes.—The city engineer will recommend the construction of a storm intercepting sewer which will empty into the Don the drainage of the district east of Parliament and north of Gerrard streets. The cost is given as \$16,000.—A petition is being circulated in Ward 1 favoring the construction of a high level bridge over the Don river at King street.—Mr. J. O. Buchanan has advised the Mayor that he is considering the formation of a company to provide cold storage accommodation at St. Lawrence market, providing the proposed improvements are carried out.—The Mayor has received assurances from Hon. Mr. Patterson and Hon. Mr. Dobell that assistance will be given by the Dominion government towards the dredging of Toronto harbor.—A report is current that the Dominion government is considering the purchase of a site on the north-west corner of Bay and Adelaide streets, with a view to the erection of a new post-office and inland

revenue building thereon.—The city will shortly undertake the following works: 24 feet brick pavement on gravel foundation on Spruce street, from River to Sumach, cost \$2,610; 11 feet brick pavement on concrete foundation on Oxford avenue, from Clara street to a point 119 feet west, cost \$460; 26 feet macadam roadway on Parliament street, Queen to Gerrard street, cost \$7,810; 24 feet macadam roadway on Sumach street, Gerrard to Wellesley street, cost \$6,440.—Messrs. Gordon & Helliwell, architects, are superintending the erection of a power house at Bond Lake for the Metropolitan Electric Railway Co. The Goldie & McCullough Co., of Galt, are supplying the machinery, and the Hamilton Bridge Works Company the iron and steel construction. Same architects are awarding contracts this week for a factory building on Queen street east for the Toronto Fence & Ornamental Iron Works, and for the minor trades required in the erection of a residence in Rosedale.—Mr. Henry Simpson, architect, is preparing plans for a brick and stone laundry building, 112 x 40 feet, to be built on McCaul street. Same architect has prepared plans for a frame cottage on Waverley street.—A rumor is current that the proprietors of the Rossin House purpose making extensive alterations, at an approximate cost of \$100,000.

FIRES.

The fires of the past week included the following: Isaac Sargent's planing mill on King street, London; loss \$25,000, small insurance.—J. D. Shier's saw mill at Bracebridge, Ont.; loss \$5,000, covered by insurance.—The Boddy block at Portage La Prairie, Man., including offices of the Review Printing Co., W. J. Roney, photographer, and B. Pierce, wall papers.—Building in connection with W. H. Tighe's evaporating factory at Chatham, Ont.—Tannery of Gaspard Rochette at St. Rochs, Quebec, completely destroyed; loss on building and machinery, \$20,000.—R. Lee's bakery at St. Catharines, Ont., damaged to the extent of \$1,000.—C. Thiboudot's carriage factory on Fraser street, Levis, Que., together with outbuildings and residence; loss \$12,000, insurance \$3,500.—The Hastings saw mill at Vancouver, B.C., owned by the Royal City Planing Mills Co.; loss about \$100,000.—Factory of the McDonald Mfg. Co., King street west, Toronto; loss \$25,000, nearly covered by insurance.—The Forbes Mfg. Co.'s building and J. A. Leaman & Co.'s warehouse in Halifax, N.S., partially destroyed.—Manson's general store at Sintaluta, N. W. T.; loss \$6,000, insurance \$3,500.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

GREENWOOD, B. C.—The National Tube Factory, of Chicago, are supplying the water pipe, fittings, hydrants, etc., for the waterworks system.

SUTTON, QUE.—The corporation has sold \$15,000 of waterworks bonds, bearing 3½ per cent. interest and maturing in

twenty-five years, to the J. C. Baker estate, Stanbridge East, at par.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The contract for iron work for the spires on the new roof of the Parliament buildings has been awarded to P. Latour.—Messrs. Band, Burritt & Meredith, architects, have awarded the contracts for several works on the rectory for St. Alban's church as follows. Masonry and brickwork, F. McCullough; carpenter work, T. A. Shore; plastering, Campbell & Sutherland; painting and glazing, Geo. Horne.

PARRY SOUND, ONT.—The contract for all trades, except painting, for addition to Masonic block, has been let to Geo. W. White. Mr. Wolton will do the painting. The plans were prepared by Mr. Henry Simpson, architect, Toronto.

QUEBEC, QUE.—John Thompson is building a two storey house on St. Foye street, near Maple avenue. The architect is Mr. Harry Staveley. The contract for masonry has been given to Mr. Sharp, and the carpenter work to Mr. U. L'Henreux.

LONDON, ONT.—Messrs. Moore & Henry, architects, have accepted the following tenders for the new Bell Telephone building: Masonry, brickwork and cut stone, Everitt & Sny; carpenter and joiner's work, Jones Bros.; steel beams, Dennis Wire and Iron Works; roofing, P. L. Marden & Co.; copper work, H. J. Boyd; plastering, Gould Bros.; painting and glazing, H. & C. Colerick; heating and plumbing, William Skelly; wiring, London Electric Co. Some architects have just closed contracts for a five storey brick warehouse and factory for Messrs. Sterling Bros., 40 x 110 feet, corner York and Clarence streets. John Hayman & Sons will do the masonry, cut stone and brickwork, and Jones Bros. the carpenter, joiner and structural iron work.

TORONTO, ONT.—W. Mashinter & Co. have been awarded the following contracts: Pumbing 622 and 624 Queen w. for Mr. Robt. Jaffray; plumbing in residence of H. Crawford Scadding, Bloor street west, residence of Mrs. J. E. Ellis, Huntley street, and store on King street east; hot water heating for Wm. Bohne, 159 Cowan avenue, and electric wiring in Inland Revenue Building, Toronto street.—The Board of Control on Monday last awarded contracts as follows: King street, brick pavement for track allowance, Sherbourne street to River, Dominion Paving & Constructing Company, \$6,183; Euclid avenue, cedar block pavement, Arthur to Robinson street, Dominion Paving & Constructing Company, \$3,107; Queen street, track allowance, brick, Niagara to Gladstone, Dominion Paving & Constructing Company, \$7,363; Sorauen avenue, brick, Construction & Paving Company, \$8,018; Queen street west, track allowance, Bathurst to Niagara, scoria block, W. F. Grant & Co., \$5,431.68. The contract for filling the filtering basin at the Island was awarded to George Phillip, at \$893.75. There were three other tenders, at \$942,

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