

from the United States authorities. There is a prospect that the project will be carried out before long.

LONDON, ONT.—The city council has granted \$30,000 to the Public School Board for the erection of additions to school buildings.—The amalgamation of London South with the city having been accomplished, the Water Commissioners will at once proceed to have the mains extended.

VICTORIA, B. C.—A large summer hotel will be built at Oak Bay.—A Turkish bath establishment is to be built here.—Tenders are being called for the fitting of electric lights and bells for the Royal Jubilee Hospital.—The Board of Trade is making application to the Dominion Government for \$100,000 to dredge and otherwise improve Victoria harbor.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—It is said the directors have succeeded in arranging for money to build a railway from Deloraine to the Turtle Mountain coal field.—It is reported that the C. P. R. Company intend to erect a large hotel in the north end of the city, and make considerable improvements around their station grounds.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Mr. Mitchell will build a brick dwelling on Johnson street.—Mr. Newlands will erect five brick dwellings on the corner of Colborne and Barrie streets.—Mr. A. Rodney has purchased a site on Jordan street for a handsome new residence.—The city will purchase by contract 2,200 feet of suction pipes for the water works department.—The ratepayers will probably be asked to vote \$60,000 for opening new streets; \$20,000 for public school; \$15,000 for collegiate institute, and \$12,000 for fire hall and improvements for departments.

BRANDON, MAN.—The Northwest Central railway proposes bridging the Assiniboine river at this point. Plans of the proposed work have been prepared.—Plans are being prepared by Mr. Shillinglaw, architect, for a new registry office, work upon which will soon commence, to cost \$11,000.—The British North America Bank propose to erect a large bank building.—The Imperial Bank has decided to put up a handsome building.—A. C. Fraser and John A. Montgomery, it is stated, will erect brick stores.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The plans for the New Bank of Hamilton, now in course of preparation, will be submitted for the approval of the President on his return from England.—Mr. Wm. Stewart, architect, is preparing plans for alterations to the residence of Senator Sanford.—The construction of the inclined railway up the mountain will be at once proceeded with.—The Secretary of the School Board will receive tenders until May 1st for alterations at the Central school building, from plans prepared by Mr. Balfour, architect.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Montreal Bridge Bill has received its second reading in the Senate. The amendments made to the Bill in the Commons committee removed the objections of the Government and the shipping interests of Montreal by taking away any contemplated obstructions to navigation, and the Government will not now offer any opposition to the measure.—The First Baptist church will erect a new building.—A new school will shortly be erected at Hochelaga.—It is reported that Mr. Peter Redpath, of Chiselhurst, England, formerly in the sugar refining business in this city, is about to donate a large sum of money to McGill University, to be used in the erection of a large Convocation Hall and a gymnasium and dining hall.—Seven eighths of the property owners have petitioned for the widening of Notre Name street, from Lacroix street to Papineau Square.—The Roads Committee have been granted \$4,800 to complete St. James St., from Victoria Square, and \$12,885 for sidewalks and crossings.—A new Safe Deposit Co. have secured a location and propose to put in at once a safety deposit and storage plant at a cost of about \$75,000.—Over \$17,000 has been subscribed for the purpose of enlarging the Dominion Square Methodist Church.

TORONTO, ONT.—The City Engineer proposes to block pave Dundas street, Sorauen to Bloor, Dufferin, Bloor to railway track, Dovercourt, Bloor to Union; and Roncesvalles along its entire length.—Plans for the restoration of the University were submitted by Mr. Dick to a meeting of the Faculty and Senate last evening.—A site has been purchased on Harbord street for a new collegiate institute building.—A Committee has been appointed to report on the suitability of several sites offered for an Industrial School for Girls.—The Assistant City Engineer recommends the construction of a public abattoir at a cost of \$40,000. A sub-committee of the city council has reported favorably on the suggestion.—Messrs. Suckling, Cassidy & Co., will remodel their warehouse, No. 19 Front St. west.—The First Reformed Presbyterian Church on Carlton street will be enlarged and remodelled. Mr. John Kidd is chairman of the building committee.—The Toronto Athletic Association ask from the city council a lease of 5 acres on the Island on which they propose to spend \$40,000 in improvements. If the lease is obtained, contracts for the work will be let at once.—Tenders will be asked by the city for improvements to the Portland street fire hall.—The City Engineer has recommended the construction of sewers on Liberty St., from Fraser Ave. to Jefferson Ave.; Pardee Ave., from Liberty St. to South terminus; west side of Stanley Park, from King to Defoe Sts.; Brock Ave., from Bloor St. to northerly terminus; Duchess St.; Wallace Ave.; Mowat Ave., from King St. to southerly terminus; Fraser Ave., from King St. to southerly terminus; Mansfield Ave.; Howard Park Ave., from Dundas St. to Roncesvalles Ave; Harrison St., from Lakeview Ave. to Dovercourt Rd.—The construction of block pavements is recommended on Woodlawn Ave., a 12 ft. stone flag sidewalk on south side of Front St.,

west of York St., and a granolithic pavement 12 ft. wide on the south side of Queen St., 65 ft. 6 inches easterly from Victoria St.—Tenders will be asked for the construction of the Gerrard and Sherbourne street bridges.—An appropriation of \$2,300 has been made for repairs to Exhibition buildings.—The Park Commissioner has been asked to report upon the most suitable material for park sidewalks and paths.—The ratepayers will be asked to sanction the following expenditures by the water works department: For house services laid during 1889 and required for 1890, and for new 12 in. companion mains required for improving the distribution and fire pressure on the principal streets of the city and for the renewal of old mains, \$118,674; Rose Hill Reservoir, for land acquired by appropriation from Lamart W. Smith, fencing same, making necessary improvements to the grounds, constructing new entrance to and erecting pavilion in Reservoir Park, \$42,030; Press and Store House and Machine Shop, for machinery, hydraulic hoist and fitting up building, \$2,500; main pumping station, for new coal shed, new crib work and wharf, new flooring to engine room, rebuilding boiler settings and reconstructing Nos. 1 and 2 Worthington pumping engines, \$15,000, high level reservoir, for stand pipe and connections to increase fire pressure over the whole district and to supply portions of the city in which present pressure is insufficient for domestic purposes, \$3,500, total, \$181,704.—Mr. W. R. Gregg, architect, has prepared plans for a new Presbyterian church for the use of the Charles street congregation. It will be erected on Bloor street east, opposite Gwynne street.—The \$25,000 appropriation for a new market building at St. Patrick's Market will be submitted to a vote of the people.—The following building permits have been granted: Sturdy Bros., pair two-storey and attic bk. residences, Yorkville avenue, cost \$6,000; John Buckley, four att. one-storey and mansard bk. dwells., rear 304 Front street, cost \$4,000; John J. Noel, two-storey bk. dwell., No. 83 Walton street, cost \$1,800; Alan C. Thompson, three-storey bk. office building, north-east corner Victoria and Lombard streets, cost \$20,000; Imperial Bank, alterations and additions to branch at No. 735 Yonge street, cost \$5,000; Young Women's Christian Association, three-storey and attic bk. building, Elm street, cost \$22,000; Coulter & Campbell, three-storey bk. coppersmith factory, corner Britain and George streets, cost \$8,000; John Webster, two-storey and mansard bk. dwell., 20 Mutual street, cost \$1,100.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

GUELPH, ONT.—Messrs. A. Bruce & Son have received the contract for a brick residence for Mr. F. Hall, to cost \$3,500.

BOWMANVILLE, ONT.—Messrs. Pennington & Baker, of Dundas, have been given the contract for seating with chairs the new Methodist church.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The Bennet Furnishing Company, of London, Ont., has received the contract for furnishing the chapel of the convent of the Sacred Heart.

LONDON, ONT.—The Bennet Furnishing Company has the contract for furnishing St. Barnabas Church, Genoa, Italy, and the Methodist church, North Shields, Eng.

VICTORIA, B. C.—The contract for excavating for the basement of the Canada Western Hotel, has been let to J. Haggerty. The price is between \$12,000 and \$15,000.

GRANBY, P. Q.—Messrs. Neil & Kent have the contract to complete the Roman Catholic colleges, the price being \$3,235, the contract for a \$2,400 residence for Mr. Wm. Jenkinson, and for the erection of a large brick warehouse 60 x 156.

W. TORONTO JUNCTION.—Contracts for two villa residences to be erected in Rosedale from the plans of Mr. Alex. Harvey, architect, have been let as follows. Brick and mason work, T. Ans & Co., carpenter and joiner work, Shunk & Carruthers.

TORONTO, ONT.—The contract for a Trinidad asphalt pavement on Sherbourne, from Queen to King streets, and on Ontario, from Carlton to Howard streets, is recommended to be given the Warren-Scharfe Company, at a cost of \$20,017 and \$27,622 respectively.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Contracts for water works department supplies have been awarded as follows: One-half inch and five-eighth inch lead pipe, Montreal Rolling Mills, \$100.57; ingot tin, (Banca), Mr. B. J. Coghlin, 21½ cents; ingot copper, Messrs. Thos. Robertson & Co., \$302.40.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The following tenders have been accepted for the erection of the new Separate School on Mulberry street; Charles Crisp, brickwork, \$3,598; White & Wark, carpenter work, \$4,630; Smith & McGuire, painting, \$322; James Findlay, slating, \$539; Mayshan & Sheran, lathing and plastering, \$623; W. J. Welsh, plumbing, \$93; Charles Drew, tin work, \$225.

Sulphate of copper is recommended for keeping posts and timber from decay. Telegraph poles in Norway are said to be preserved by boring inch holes about two feet from the ground and filling with the sulphate of copper crystals, afterwards plugging the holes with wood. The crystals gradually dissolve and permeate the wood, turning it a greenish color.