

ST. CATHARINES, ONT.—The supplementary estimates contain a grant of \$10,000 for a new drill shed here.—Bids are invited up to July 29th for heating and ventilating Collegiate Institute. Plans at office of Security Loan & Savings Company. Address, E. F. Dwyer, chairman Finance Committee.—The council has decided to invite new tenders for the construction of concrete sidewalks to be built this fall.

VICTORIA, B.C.—J. G. Tiarks, architect, is preparing plans for the following buildings: New hotel for the Kamloops Hotel Company, to be built at Kamloops, in half-timbered style, cost \$20,000; store and office building at Kamloops for C. W. Ward, cost \$10,500; residence for C. Patton, Victoria, cost \$4,500; block on Yates street, Victoria, cost \$4,000; building for Mrs. Smeaton, Victoria, cost \$3,500.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Tenders will be invited at once for furnishing the old Collegiate Institute as a school building, and for various repairs to city schools. W. A. Edwards, architect, will have charge of the work.—Alderman Nelligan has received word that work on the alterations to the piers will not be commenced until the close of the parliamentary session.—Tenders close August 1st for school furniture. Address T. Beasley, secretary Board of Education.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—J. H. G. Russell, architect, is preparing plans for frame residence to be built on Edmonton street for James L. Bathgate.—H. S. Griffith, architect, of this city, has completed plans for solid brick block for T. B. & W. Millar, hardware merchants, Portage la Prairie, on which tenders are being taken this week.—The Sisters of Jesus and Mary have purchased 15 acres of land on the south side of the Assiniboine river, and intend erecting an academy to cost \$30,000. On the north side of the river the Sisters of Mercy will erect a maternity hospital.—Geo. Browne, architect, is this week taking tenders on a four-storey warehouse for the Gault Bros. Co., Limited, the building to be completed by February, 1900.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Dominion supplementary estimates contain a grant of \$750,000 for harbor works here. It is expected that work will be commenced this fall.—Owing to the scarcity of structural iron, it is probable that work on the new Grand Trunk office building will be suspended until next season.—The Dominion Bridge Company purpose enlarging their factory, the new addition to be completed in about two months.—The University of Laval has purchased property for the purpose of establishing a polytechnic school. On a lot adjoining Laval it is said that a number of apartment houses will be built.—The Montreal Street Railway Company have purchased the right of way with a view to building a line round the foot of the mountain to Westmount.—The new apartment building, corner Metcalf and St. Catharines street, to be built by M. S. Foley, will be seven stories, with drawing rooms fitted up with polished hardwood floors, high wainscot, bay windows, pressed brick fire places, and wood overmantels. There will be an electric elevator service installed for the building, and a wide stairway will extend from the ground to the top. The lighting will be by electricity and the heating by steam. Sixe & Archibald are the architects.—Plans have been prepared and contracts let for the McIntyre block to be built on the Greenshields site, corner Craig and Victoria square. The architects are Hutchinson & Wood.—Extensive repairs are to be made immediately to the American Presbyterian church on Dorchester street.—The city clerk desires tenders by Monday, 31st inst., for the construction of sewers on Albert, Boyer and Frontenac

streets.—The plans of Cox & Amos, architects have been accepted for new church of St. Matthias, Westmount.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Grand Trunk Railway Co. are asking tenders for wiring and installing about 400 incandescent lamps in the freight sheds between John and Simcoe sts.—The tenders for St. Clements Sunday School building, North Toronto, have been found too high, and it is likely that new tenders will be invited this fall.—The York County commissioners have decided to advertise for tenders for grading and filling in the approaches to the new bridge at Rowntree's bridge near Thistleton.—It is probable that the Bertram Engine Company will be re-organized, and new capital brought in, and that the present works will be considerably extended.—A company has been formed for the purpose of establishing a Turkish and Russian bath in this city. The building, which will be erected on Terauley street, will be a six storey structure of steel, stone, brick, and terra cotta, and costing \$150,000.—A by-law to provide \$13,000 by the issue of debentures to rebuild the bridge over the Humber, on the Lake Shore road, was passed at the last council meeting.—The city desires tenders by noon to-day (Wednesday), for the erection of an addition to the music building in the exhibition grounds.—A. Frank Wickson, architect, wants tenders by Thursday of this week for all trades, except plastering, required in erection of large bakery and stable building for the Harry Webb Company.—It is reported that the Nouthey Mfg. Company will amalgamate with a Montreal firm, and that this step will necessitate a large addition to their works in this city.—The Separate School Board desires tenders by Monday, 31st inst., for supply of 265 single school desks. Specifications at 28 Duke street.—The trustees of Parkdale Presbyterian church have made application to the Toronto Presbytery for permission to add \$6,000 to their mortgage indebtedness to pay for the erection of a new school room.—The G. T. R. has decided to erect a passenger station at the Queen street east crossing.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Tenders will be invited shortly by the city for the erection of an addition to waterworks pump house and minor alterations to present buildings, the new structure to be of stone, and one-half storey higher than present building. It is also intended to build a new roof on the pump station and erect a parapet.—The Grand Lodge of Masons, while in convention in this city last week, voted the sum of \$7,000 for the erection of a cottage in connection with the home for

consumptives in Gravenhurst.—Negotiations are under way for the establishment of a large departmental store on Sussex street. Joseph Boyden is one of the interested persons.—A scheme is being discussed for the construction of a canal between lake Ashawaken, on the head waters of the Ottawa, to a point on the Gatineau river, a distance of seven miles. The project will likely be laid before the Quebec government for the purpose of obtaining a subsidy.—The E. B. Eddy Company are constructing a short line of railway for hauling material from the sulphate factory to the warehouse.—The Canada Atlantic Railway Company will erect a large building near the round-house, for the purpose of finishing the coaches therein.—The Russell House Company have decided upon a large addition to the hotel, to be built on Canal street, and to be used for sample and bed rooms.—It is said that work will shortly be commenced on the extension of the Pontiac & Pacific Junction Railway from Aylmer to Ottawa. It is also reported that Mr. Becmer has completed negotiations for the extension of the Gatineau Valley Railway from Gracefield to Maniwaki.—A scheme is mooted to construct a large canal from near the Chaudiere Falls down through a suitable channel, the water of the Chaudiere to be directed into this by means of a dam, and a power house to be built at the lower end of the artificial waterway.—Plans have been completed by the government architect for the new departmental building, to include geological museum, records office and astronomical surveys office. The new building will be about half as large again as the Langevin block.—The government, in conjunction with J. R. Booth, will build a steel bridge over Maria street, for which tenders will shortly be invited.

FIRES.

Sixty buildings in the city of Quebec were destroyed by fire on July 16th, at a loss of over \$100,000.—The Laurason block at St. George, Ont., totally destroyed; loss \$3,500. Brick residence at McLaughlan Park, near Owen Sound, Ont., owned by J. H. McLaughlan; loss \$3,400, insurance \$1,000.—Roman Catholic church at Cote St. Paul, near Montreal, totally destroyed; loss \$60,000, insurance \$16,000.—Dwelling of John McIntyre at Lawrence town, N.S.—The Hub Hotel at Belleville, Ont., a three-story brick building owned by D. R. Leavens, of Thurlow; loss on building, \$1,500, covered by insurance.—Building at London, Ont., occupied by Moorehead Bros. and owned by Mr. Baker, of Hamilton, partially destroyed.

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