

corner of Hornby and Georgia streets, and will probably build thereon.—Mr. Warsap, manager of the cement works on False Creek, will leave shortly for the east to purchase new machinery. It is probable that an electric plant for operating and lighting the works will be installed. The street railway line is to be extended to English Bay beach, the city council having granted the necessary franchise.

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—The by-law to raise \$33,000 to establish an arc lighting plant for the city will be voted upon in January.—The city council has received a largely signed petition asking that a new bridge be constructed over the ravine at Elmira street.—A joint committee from the city council and the county council of Elgin has submitted the following estimate of the cost of building two bridges: Fingal bridge—Concrete abutments, \$1,700; steel superstructure and solid floor, \$2,200; total \$2,900. Kains' bridge—Concrete abutments, \$1,850; steel superstructure and solid floor, \$2,200; total, \$4,050. This committee has also recommended that the bridges be constructed.

CORNWALL, ONT.—J. A. Cockburn, clerk of Finch township, wants tenders by to-day (Wednesday) for the construction of the Blue Creek drain east of Berwick village, as well as for the Butternut Creek drain, advertised in last issue of CONTRACT RECORD.—D. P. McKinnon has called a meeting at South Finch, on the 16th inst., to consider the question of erecting a cold storage warehouse for dairy products at some point on the Ottawa and New York Railway.—Steps are being taken to establish a meat packing and canning factory in this town, the cost of which is placed at \$25,000. A committee has been appointed, including D. B. McLennan, G. C. Smith, John McLaughlin, M.L.A., and others, to canvass for stock.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Tenders will be called for the construction of sewers on the following streets: Aikins street, from Dufferin avenue to Flora avenue, cost \$2,300; Henry avenue, from Maple to Argyle street, cost \$1,240; Main street, Selkirk avenue to Alfred avenue, and on Alfred avenue to Aikins street, cost \$6,600. The construction of macadam pavements on Selkirk avenue, from Main street to the Red river, cost \$3,000, and on Edmonton street, from Portage avenue to Cumberland avenue, and Gertie street, from Cumberland avenue to Notre Dame avenue, cost \$5,820.60, has been recommended.—The Winnipeg Electric Railway Company has been asked to equip their cars with fenders.—Mr. Peavey, an extensive grain buyer of the United States, will next year build a number of elevators in this province.

OTTAWA, ONT.—George Sleeman, of the Silver Creek Brewery, will shortly make extensive improvements in his establishment.—The by-law providing for the paving of Sussex street, between St. Patrick and Clarence street, has been read a third time in council.—Excavating is now in progress for a large addition to the Bank of Commerce building on Wellington street, to be of brick, with board room finished in white oak.—The Dominican Fathers intend removing their house of study from St. Hyacinthe to this city, and will erect a large building, probably on Primrose Hill.—E. F. E. Roy, secretary Department of Public Works, will receive tenders up to Thursday, 22nd inst., for a new block at the northern breakwater at Miminogash, Prince County, P.E.I.—The Ottawa Railway Company are said to have definitely decided to extend their road to Britannia.—A company is seeking incorporation to build a railway from Lake Winnipegosis to Edmonton, N. W. T. Another

company seeks power to build a steam or electric railway from Ottawa to Meach's Lake, Que., with branches to Aylmer, Hull, etc. The scheme includes the construction of a bridge across the Ottawa river.—The council of Ottawa East will petition the government to construct a bridge across the canal opposite Main street.—A scheme will be submitted to the House next session for building a solid fire-proof record office, arranged to contain all the archives and records.—Building permits have been granted as follows: Ferdinand Brisbois, dwelling on Nelson street, cost \$1,200; H. J. Ferguson, three brick veneered dwellings on Gilmour street, cost \$3,500.—The Metropolitan Light Company has been granted letters patent of incorporation, and have purchased the Britannia water power. The canal to be constructed will be 180 feet wide, 9 feet deep and 2,000 feet long. The power house will be located at the foot of the rapids.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Plans of an iron bridge to be built over the Rouge river at Arundel are on view at the office of W. A. Weir, M.P.P., 138 St. James street.—At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Grand Trunk Y.M.C.A., the question of enlarging the present quarters was discussed.—The management of the Church of St. Louis de France have decided to purchase a new pipe organ.—Mr. St. George, city surveyor, has submitted to the Road Committee plans of an elevated passage connecting Notre Dame street with the Place Viger depot. The cost is estimated at \$7,000.—Mr. R. G. Reid and his sons, who have been given extensive privileges by the Newfoundland government, and are now asking incorporation for the Newfoundland Bleached Pulp Company, purpose erecting the mill on the shore of Grand Lake. It is probable that over \$1,000,000 will be expended in plant.—The Montreal Street Railway Company is seeking permission to increase its capital stock from time to time, and to extend its line to any point within ten miles of the city.—The chief of the fire brigade is of the opinion that four new fire stations are required, one in the upper part of Hochelaga ward, one about La-gauchetiere street, and two to replace the central station and No. 14 station.—The Diamond Glass Company will at once commence the reconstruction of their building, damaged by fire last week.—Plans have been prepared for a two-storey addition to the building of the Merchants' Bank of Canada, corner St. Peter and St. James streets.—Alex. Robinson, secretary Harbor Commissioners, will receive tenders up to Tuesday, 20th inst., for the construction of a dipper dredge, with steel hull. Plans at office of John Kennedy, chief engineer.

TORONTO, ONT.—The Board of Control has decided to call for new tenders for the annual supply of sewer pipe, as only one of the tenders submitted was accompanied by a sample. The city engineer has also advised that new tenders be invited for gravel east of Yonge street, as he considers \$1.80 per yard an excessive price.—The Orange Society contemplate building a new hall in North Toronto.—Tenders are wanted at Manning Arcade, up to Friday of this week, for the brick work, carpenter work and roofing of a storehouse.—Senator George A. Cox has offered to erect a cottage in connection with the proposed consumptive sanatorium near Toronto. This makes four cottages and an administration building assured.—It is reported that a company has been formed, with a capital of \$250,000, to manufacture paving brick near Mimico. Mr. J. W. McBride is said to be the manager.—Mr. James Chewitt will leave for England this week to consult the English shareholders in the Rossin House Company, Limited, with reference to the remodelling of the hotel.

It is proposed to construct a large rotunda and dome in the centre of the area occupied by the hotel.—The city council has decided to submit a by-law to the rate-payers at the January elections to provide \$150,000 for market improvements. In order to verify his estimate, Mr. W. L. Symons, who recently made an estimate of the cost of carrying out the proposed alterations to the market, obtained tenders for the several trades, which are as follows: Carpenter work, George Rathbone, \$30,750; masonry, brickwork, etc., Oakley & Holmes, \$32,042; steel and cast iron work, Dominion Bridge Co., \$37,093; heating and plumbing, Purdy & Mansell, \$9,910; galvanized iron, A. B. Ormsby, \$17,000; painting and glazing, F. E. Phillips, \$6,725; tiling, C. C. Cuff, \$3,700; elevators, Fensom & Son, \$1,400; total, \$138,620. The report of Mr. Matthew Sheard, architect, on the plans has not yet been presented to council.—The Presbyterian congregation at Eglinton have decided to make alterations to the interior of the building.—A movement has been commenced among the Scotchmen of this city to erect a monument to the Scottish poet, Robert Burns. Hon. G. W. Ross is honorary-president of the committee.—Plans are being prepared in the City Engineer's department for a ferry boat to provide a service from the Queen's wharf to the Island. The cost of the boat will be about \$4,000, and of the slips and cribbing about \$3,500.

FIRES.

The fires of the past week included the following: Saw mill of W. W. Trumbel, located on lot 12, concession 4, Maidstone, Ont.—Merritt's saw mill at Blenheim, Ont.; loss \$4,000, insurance, \$1,400.—Four stores at Coaticook, Que., known as the O'Neil block; loss \$10,000.—At Manitou, Man., Gordon's general store, loss \$25,000; Sparling & Lander's hardware store, loss \$5,000; Curtison's hotel and livery stable, loss \$5,000.—Residence of Richard Johnston at Palmerston, Ont.; partially insured.—Adams Bros.' harness and shoe shop at Virden, Man.—Glue factory of Ulric Maisque, at St. Sauveur, Que.; loss \$10,000, no insurance.—Residence of Thomas F. Wills at Belleville, Ont.—Grand Opera House at Kingston, Ont., owned by the Ontario Loan and Building Society, of Oshawa; loss \$6,000.—The Londonderry Hotel at Great Village, N.S.; insurance, \$2,300.—One-storey brick residence of John Waudby, of Glencoe, Ont.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

NORTH BAY, ONT. The contract for the construction of the wharf here has been let to Burdett & Lindsay, of Collingwood.

CHESLEY, ONT.—Washburn & Co. have been awarded the contract of building a dry kiln and boiler house at Warton.

INGERSOLL, ONT.—J. H. McKnight, of Toronto, has been given the contract for an addition to the New Daly hotel, owned by W. L. Cameron.

HALIFAX, N. S.—The contract for repairing the steamer Turret Chief has been let to McCaldin Bros., of the Ross Iron Works, New York; price, about \$40,000.

CARLINGFORD, ONT.—Contracts for building a new iron bridge at Knot's Mills have been let as follows: Masonry, James Davidson, \$775; iron work, A. Hill & Co., of Mitchell, \$489.

MONTREAL, QUE. It is reported that Connolly Bros., of this city, are the successful contractors for the Intercolonial deep water wharf at St. John, N. B., their tender being about \$300,000.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The contract for the building of the Nelson & Bedlington Railway has been let to Foley Bros.,