for street improvements, \$6,000 for a road-making plant.

RUTHVEN, ONT.—E. R. Wigle purposes erecting a new cottage.

BRANTFORD, ONT.—The construction of an isolation hospital will be proceeded with immediately.

ALMONTE, ONT.—The town council is still considering the question of constructing granolithic sidewalks.

BRACEBRIDGE, ONT.—Mr. Robinson, C. E., of Barrie, has been taking levels with a view to estimating the cost of a sewerage system for the town.

DELORIMIER, QUE—The by-law authorizing the loan of \$50,000 to pay off certain indebtedness and cover a cost of laying water mains was carried by the ratepayers last week.

WALKERVILLE, ONT.—A farmers cooperative binder twine company has been organized here, with a capital of \$125,000. Building operations will be commenced in the near future.

CALGARY, N.W.T.—The School Board has purchased a block from the Athletic Association and purposes erecting a new school, containing four large rooms, of Calgary sandstone. A new school building will also be erected on the Grierson property.

Vancouver, B. C.—W. T. Dalton, architect, is this week taking tenders for an addition to the Alexandria Orphanage at Fairview. — The School Board have adopted the plans of E. A. Whitehead for the proposed Admiral Seymour's school, and those of Parr & Fee for the Lord Roberi's school. These schools are estimated to cost \$10,000 each. They will consist of a two story wooden building on stone foundation, with eight classrooms.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—It is estimated that over \$125,000 of cement will be required in connection with the improvements to St. Andrew's Rapids, the contract for which has been let to Kelly Bros.—J. H. G. Russell and R. B. Pratt have just finished plans for a stone hotel building to be built at Rat Portage.—The council of the University of Manitoba have instructed the building committee to purchase furnishings and fittings for the new building, the cost not to exceed \$3,500.

AMHERSTBURG, ONT.—The corporation is taking tenders for the construction of a sewer on Dalhousie street. Debentures will be issued by the town for ceneral improvements.—The School Board will make improvements to the heating and ventilating system of the public school on Richmond street, also construct a stone or brick basement 57x26 feet, 7 feet high. The heating will be done by steam from a 30 h. p. boiler. Plans will be prepared and tenders invited for the work immediately.

QUEBEC, QUE.—The G. T. R. will erect a large immigration building at Point Levi.—Wm. Hurt has acquired the water power at Fraserville Falls, and it is said will construct a large pulp and paper mill.—A project is on foot for the construction of an electric railway from Three Rivers to Grand Mere and Shawinigan.—The Quebec and Lake St. John Railway Co. have made arrangements for a loan of three quarters of a million dollars for the purpose of buying rolling rock, ballasting the road, improving terminal property, and for other improvements.

BROCKVILLE, ONT.—Cossitt Bros. have not vet reached a decision regarding the rebuilding of their factory.—The vote of the ratepayers was taken yesterday on a by-law to raise funds for a civic electric light plant.—Willis Chipman, C. E., of I oronto, has made a report to the water works commissioners recommending additions and improvements to the waterworks plant to cost \$45,000, made up as

follows.—Distribution system, \$11,500, pumping machinery and intake, \$18,000, new pump room, \$5,500; reservoir, \$6,000; engineering and contingencies, \$4,000. The council will likely carry out the improvements.

Hamilton, Ont.—S. S. King has taken out a permit for brick addition to buildings of the Sun Oil Refining Co. in east Hamilton, to cost \$2,000.—Several of the aldermen are in favor of building a trunk sewer on Catharine street, cost \$19,000.—W. W. Lachance, architect, has prepared plans for a large hotel to be built on King street for Geo. Heilig.—The city engineer has estimated the cost of a sewer on Shaw street, from Victoria avenue to Wentworth street, at \$3,000.—The council intend to proceed with the laying of a tar macadam pavement on York and South James streets. Particulars from John Houston, Mayor.

MONTREAL, QUE—The city clerk wants tenders by August 3rd for supplies required by the Incineration Department.—At a conference between the G. T. R. authorities and the city council in respect to elevating the railway tracks from Bonaventure station to St. Henri, a plan for bridging Mountain street was submitted. The bridge would cost \$135,000 and would consist of three spans.—It is probable that the construction of a sewer on St. James street will be undertaken at an early date. The sum of \$35,000 is available for this work.—The council may grant to private parties permission to build an observation tower on the mountain.—Perrault & Lesage, architects, have prepared plans for new Catholic school to be erected at corner of Fullim and Amity streets, to be 90 x 60 feet.

HULL, QUE.—If the local improvement by-laws are carried on August 7th granolithic sidewalks and sewers will be laid on several streets.—The School Board has decided to erect a new eight room school on Albert street, cost \$25,000. — Large brick business blocks are being erected on Main street by Moise Trudel, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. G. Marston, Jacques Goyette, M. Teteau, Ald. Dusame, D. Richard, Bank of Ottawa, Alfred Rochon, Jos. Caron and Dr. Duhamel. On Albert street business blocks are being erected by T. St. Jean, G. Laverdure, Mrs. Francis Blais, G. Lafond and J. B. Villenieuve.—Tenders for the court house and jail at this place are now before the Quebec government for consideration.—Plans of the proposed fire and police station have been submitted to the city authorities. Building will be 64 x 80 feet, brick, cost \$10,000.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Plans have been completed for the construction of the Gatineau Valley Railway from the junction with the C.P.R. in Hull to the approaches of the International bridge.—L. K. Jones, secretary Department of Railways and Canals, invites tenders up to 4 p. m. of August 2nd. for about 30,000 yards of dredging at Farran's Point.—The French committee of the Separate School Board last week decided to rebuild St. Roch's school on Ellen street and St. Famille school on Sherwood street. The buildings will cost about \$3,000 each.—The Department of Public Works has completed plans for steel bridges over the Chaudiere slide, and tenders will be invited in a few days.—Building permits were last week granted to Denis Norman, brick store and dwelling, Queen street south, cost \$1,850; Geo. Dearing, frame dwelling, Preston street west, cost \$800; Wm. Deavey, frame dwelling, Preston street west, cost \$600; Henry Cowan, brick building for Ottawa Foundry and Furnace Co., St. Catharine street south, cost \$6,000; Andrew Kerr, frame house, Eccles street south, cost \$1,000; John Hodgkin, frame dwelling, Hickey street north, cost, \$600, Valmis Barke, frame

dwelling, Balsam street south, cost \$800, Pie. Pouff, frame house, Balsam street south, cost \$600; M. Lavergne, frame house, Willow street north, cost \$600; Alex. Cayer, frame house, Rochester street west, cost \$800.

TORONTO, ONT .- A. R. Denison, architect, invites tenders up to Saturday, 4th inst., for erection of main building for the Canada Biscuit Co.—Geo. Gooderham, president of the company organized to build the palace hotel on King street, is understood to have taken a large financial interest in the undertaking, which he expects will be started at an early date.— The six by-laws submitted to the ratepayers last week were defeated by large majorities. The by-laws were to provide for funds for sewers, furniture for the city hall, new civic stables, subway, filling in at Shaw street bridge, and cementing the Rosehill reservoir.—The city invites tenders up to noon to-day for construction of the following: Asphalt pavement on King street, from Spadina avenue to Bathurst street, and on Markham street from College street to a point 759 feet, south; brick pavement on West Logan avenue, from Queen street to a point 240 feet north; cedar block pavement on Dundas street, from Ossington avenue to Lansdowne avenue: macadam road on Shuter street, from Yonge street to Sherbourne street; wooden block pavement York street bridge approaches.—Building permits have been issued as follows: Rice Lewis & Son, 5 story brick and stone addition, corner King and Victoria streets, cost \$10,000; E. Newson, pair semi-detached brick residdnces, east side Dufferin street, north of Dundas, cost \$5,000.—R. Crate is taking out the foundation for a residence on Balliol street, Davisville.

## FIRES.

Zwicker's saw mill at Bear River, N.S., totally destroyed; loss \$3,000.—Wher's saw mill at Oxford Mills, Ont.; loss \$5,000.—Premises of McDonald Bros. and R. Strange at Winnipeg, Man.; loss \$12,000.—Peat works of Alex. Doban at Beaverton, Ont.; loss \$7,000.

## CONTRACTS AWARDED.

CARGILL, ONT.—Bridge over Saugeen River: Barr & Co., successful tenderers.

ARNPRIOR, ONT.--Improvements to

Emmanuel church; Mr. Grant, contractor.

ESSEX, ONT.—The contract for repairs to High School has been given to Laing, Ritchie & Co.

HUNTSVILLE, ONT.—Brick addition to Thomas & Booth's store; E. C. Hurlburt, contractor.

HULL, QUE.—Paper and finishing mill for E. B. Eddy Co.: Holbrook & Sutherland, contractors.

SUSSEN, N. B.—Brick building for Miller Bros: Clark and Tilley, of St. John, contractors.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Addition to Fairview school; Baine & Horie, successful tenderers, at \$3,730.

TRURO, N. S .- Cottage for Thos. S.

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