

way Company, and the main promoter is Ald. C. Beausoleil, M. P.

FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—The company that recently acquired the Kakabeka water power are negotiating with this town for the putting in of an electric light plant, and it is probable the offer of the company will be accepted.—The Canadian Pacific Railway authorities are said to have announced their intention of erecting two more grain elevators at this point.

ST JOHN, N. B.—The Board of Management have recommended to the City Council the extension of sewers as follows. Burpee avenue and Mount Pleasant, cost \$4,200; Carlton street, cost \$500; Victoria street, cost \$1,400; Hammond street, cost \$300; Strait Shore road, cost \$550.—It is probable that a new High School will be built in this city at an early date.—The St. John Bicycle Club propose to erect a club house, at a cost of \$6,000.

SELKIRK, MAN.—The A. Booth Packing Co., of St. Paul, Minn., are said to contemplate the erection at this point of one of the largest ammonia refrigerators on the continent, having 6,000,000 pounds capacity. The building will be of wood with stone foundations, and will cost in the neighborhood of \$300,000. Work on the new plant will commence immediately on the arrival of A. Booth, sr., his approval of the amended plans being the only remaining step.

QUEBEC, QUE.—Mr. Jean Taché has purchased the Gowen block and will turn the structure into an office building, provided with an elevator and all modern conveniences.—The following building permits have been granted: W. Giguère, house, St. Joseph st., cost \$2,500; Mrs. Jean Taché, alterations to building, St. Peter st., cost \$3,000.—It is proposed to apply for an act to amend the charter of the Quebec Central Railway Company, by authorizing the further issue of prior lien bonds to the extent of \$50,000 sterling.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Articles of incorporation of the Duluth & Northwestern railroad, to extend a line to Winnipeg, have been filed in St. Paul.—The City Engineer has estimated the cost of a steam disinfecting apparatus at \$2,800, made up as follows. chamber, car and tracks, \$1,700; building, \$800; accessories, \$300. The work will likely be undertaken by the Council.—The Lake of the Woods Milling Co. contemplate the erection of a grain elevator on Princess street. not likely be commenced until next spring.

LONDON, ONT.—Moore & Henry, architects, have in hand the construction of an addition to the Dominion Mills, Talbot street.—Mrs. Martin has been granted a permit for a brick house on the Wortley Road, near Bruce street, to cost \$1,700.—McBride & Farncombe, architects, are receiving tenders this week for a brick veneered building.—In connection with improvements to the waterworks system mentioned in our last issue, the cost of constructing storage ponds, as estimated by Superintendent Moore, should have been given as \$2,700.

GUELPH, ONT.—The City Council have decided to engage Mr. Willis Chipman, C. E., of Toronto, to report on a complete system of sewerage for the city. Mr. Joseph Powell, chief engineer of the International Radial Railway Company, accompanied by Dr. Burns, Mr. Alex. McKay, M. P., and Mr. Fred. Carpenter, of Hamilton, were in the city last week in connection with a scheme to build an electric railway from Hamilton to Guelph, via Dundas, Galt, Berlin and Waterloo. The delegation interviewed the City Council on the matter.—P. Hartnett invites tenders for remodelling the market building, from plans by G. R. Bruce.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The Sewers Committee have authorized the construction of sewers on Herkimer streets, and Stanley avenue.—Building permits have been

granted as follows: Eli Van Allen for a brick addition to factory on George street, cost \$1,000.—At the last meeting of the Finance Committee it was decided to petition the Government to deepen the Burlington canal to 16 feet. Chairman Colquhoun was authorized to introduce a by-law to provide for the issue of \$50,000 debentures for the new Collegiate Institute, and tenders for that amount are invited by the City Clerk, until the 7th day of November.—At the next session of the Dominion Parliament application will be made for a charter for the Hamilton, Brantford and Pacific Junction railway. The proposal is to build a line from a point on the T. H. & B. railway near Copetown to connect with the C. P. R. at Schaw Station.

TORONTO, ONT.—The plumbing and heating of the new city hall and court house, for which tenders have not yet been invited, will probably cost \$100,000. The work will not be undertaken, of course, until the roof is finished, and tenders will likely be invited next summer.—The City Engineer's report presented to Council on Monday last recommends that the Provincial Government be allowed to lay a stone or asphalt sidewalk from the front of Parliament buildings south to the roadway into Queen's Park, and that the city put in the necessary crossings at certain points. A brick sidewalk, 12 feet 6 inches wide is recommended for the south side of Queen street west, from John street to Spadina avenue, at a cost of \$3,288, and a number of wooden sidewalks. The construction of a macadam road on Berkeley street from Wilton avenue to the Esplanade is withdrawn, it having been petitioned against.—The cost of putting an iron roof and corridors on the new city hall is estimated at \$50,000.—Building permits have been granted as follows: John Minto, 461 Davenport rd., det. 2 story and attic bk. dwelling, cost \$2,500.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Arrangements have been made with Mr. King Arnoldi, architect, to visit Montreal and New York in connection with the hospital wing, in order that the latest improvements in hospital construction may be embodied in its erection. Much interest is being taken in the proposed drainage scheme, some of the aldermen contending that the plan of providing drainage for Hintonburg, Ottawa East and Jareville, at an extra expense of \$79,744 will defeat the whole scheme.—Alderman Davidson is about to erect four new houses on a lot recently purchased on Portland avenue.—The Grey Nuns have recently purchased Gleniffer House in New Edinburgh ward, and propose to utilize the building as an asylum. The Bethlehem refuge at the corner of Anglesea square and Chapel street, will probably be offered for sale, it is believed that the Grey Nuns will build a new convent on the site. It is also predicted that within a year large additions will be made to the property just purchased to accommodate St. Josephs orphanage.—Owing to the recent loss of two ships in the Straits of Belle Isle, the Dominion Government will be petitioned to extend the gulf telegraphic system to the Straits, and to establish lighthouses. Two routes are under consideration for the telegraph line, one being from Esquimaux Point by a series of cables along the North Shore with landings 30 to 60 miles apart. The other is to use the present line from Anticosti to Health Point, and from thence by cable to Belle Isle Light, a distance of 280 miles.—Application will be made to Parliament to incorporate the Edmonton District Railway Company.—The Winnipeg Great Northern Railway Company, better known as the Hudson Bay railway, will ask parliament, at its next session, for an extension of time for the completion of the main line to Saskatchewan river, and for power to build a branch

line from Portage la Prairie to connect with the main line.—The promoters of the Ottawa and French river canal announce that they propose shortly to apply to the Provincial Governments of Ontario and Quebec to subsidize the undertaking by granting 10,000 acres of land for every mile of canal constructed. They also have an application before the Dominion Government for a guarantee of the interest on the bonds to be issued to build the first section of the canal.—Only fifty miles of the Ottawa, Arnprior and Parry Sound railway remains yet to be built, which it is expected will be constructed before October of next year.

FIRES.

The planing mill of S. S. Cooper, at Clinton, Ont., was destroyed by fire on the 24th inst., together with all machinery. Loss, \$6,000; insurance, \$2,000.—The Academy building at Pictou, N. S., was completely consumed by fire last week. It was a brick structure erected at a cost of \$25,000. Insurance, \$12,000.—The saw mill of George Dutch & Sons at Black Point, Restigouche Co., N. B., was burned a few days ago. The proprietors have decided to rebuild on a more extensive scale.—The general store of Ferguson Brownell at Amherst, N. S., has been burned. Loss \$4,000; insurance, \$2,000.—Joseph Rainville's dwelling, bakery and stable at Stoney Point, Ont., were destroyed by fire on the 27th inst.—The Barber terrace on Princess street, Winnipeg, was gutted by fire on Monday last. Loss about \$3,000, covered by insurance.—A house at Kin-cardine, Ont., owned by Mr. Hussie, was burned last week.—Wm. Graham's brick cottage on Colborne street, Whitby, Ont., was consumed by fire recently. Insurance \$600.—The planing mill and windmill factory of George McWilliams, at Peterboro', Ont., has been partially consumed by fire. Loss covered by insurance.—Fire destroyed the packing building and storage sheds of the Sydenham Glass Co. at Wallaceburg, Ont., on the 29th inst. Insured.—The village of Levie Ridge, Que., was swept by fire on Tuesday last, causing damage of about \$100,000. The extensive works of the Dominion Lime Co., were completely destroyed.—A block of eight houses at Dundas, Ont., owned by George Burrows, have been burned.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

GODERICH, ONT.—E. A. Causey, of Stratford, has been awarded the contract of building the R. C. church here.

PERTH, ONT.—Stephen Bennett has been given the contract for erecting the canning factory here, at the price of \$1,887.

FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—The contract has been let to R. Lawrence, of Port Arthur, for the rebuilding of the old post-office building.

ESSEX, ONT.—The County Council have awarded the contract for repairs to the county buildings to Frederick Navin, of Goderich, at \$19,999.

ALEXANDRIA, ONT.—The contract for an electric light plant and for wiring the streets has been awarded by the village council to Ahearn & Soper, of Ottawa.

WOODSTOCK, ONT.—Robert Whitelaw, of this town, has been awarded the contract by the Ontario Government for supplying the power plant for the new Dairy School at Strathroy.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—A new machine shop, 40x50 feet, of brick, two stories high, will be built for Jos. Thompson. Adams & Belyea will do the woodwork and McArthur & Clark the masonry work.

QUEBEC, QUE.—N. Laine has been awarded the contract for the decoration of the interior of the House of Refuge for the Sisters of the Delivrance.—O. Matte has been awarded the contract for hot