

## CONTRACTS OPEN.

ARLEN, ONT.—There is talk of erecting a new Methodist Church here.

ST. MARY'S, ONT.—The Bank of Montreal will erect a new building here.

GLADSTONE, MAN.—Messrs. Roblin & Armistage will erect a warehouse here.

SAWYERVILLE, QUE.—Arrangements are being made to build a cheese factory here.

LISTOWEL, ONT.—The Bank of Hamilton is securing a site for a new bank building.

WIARTON, ONT.—The corner stone of a new Presbyterian Church has been laid here.

ST. MARY BEAUCE, QUE.—The corner stone of a new R. C. chapel was laid on Saturday.

BEAVERTON, ONT.—New stained glass windows are shortly to be placed in St. Peter's church.

STRATFORD, ONT.—It is rumored that the G. T. R. intend lighting their shops with electric light.

SMITH'S FALLS, ONT.—The ratepayers will vote on a by-law to raise \$6,000 to erect a market building.

PETERBORO', ONT.—The county council have decided to build an iron span to Brown's bridge in Belmont.

DUNDAS, ONT.—The council has passed a by-law to expend \$7,500 in laying a system of water works.

PORT HOPE, ONT.—A company is being organized with a capital stock of \$25,000 to establish a shoe factory.

KNOWLTON, QUE.—An engineer from Montreal was recently in town making estimates for a system of water works.

CARLETON PLACE, ONT.—A by-law to raise \$3,300 for the erection of a town hall and fire station has been carried.

QUEBEC, QUE.—Major Mayne has recommended that the sum of \$10,000 be expended in removing the rock slide.

ST. THOMAS, ONT.—Mr. Samuel Williams has donated the sum of \$500 towards the erection of a new Railroad Y.M.C.A.

VICTORIA, B. C.—Mr. Engle, of Vancouver, is endeavoring to complete arrangements for the erection of a garbage crematory.

PICTON, ONT.—A Roman Catholic church is shortly to be built here. The building will be of brick with modern improvements.

WESTON, ONT.—The Lake Shore road at Humber Bay is to be graded and gravelled and a new bridge built across the Mimico river.

LEAMINGTON, ONT.—A staff of engineers has commenced the survey of the proposed line of railway from this town east to Ridgeway.

PORT ARTHUR, ONT.—Mr. Geo. Macdonell, M.P., states that tenders will be called and contracts let for new public buildings here this fall.

SEAFORTH, ONT.—Wm. Elliott, town clerk, will receive tenders until the 8th day of November for supplying a steam pump for the water works.

NESBITT, MAN.—Mr. S. Miller, of Brandon, will build a new hotel here.—Messrs. Dines & Cleveland, of Winnipeg, intend erecting an elevator.

HALIFAX, N.S.—Plans are now being prepared for an additional wing to the Royal Victoria Hospital. The work, however, will not be proceeded with until the spring.

HINTONBURG, ONT.—F. W. Harmen, clerk of the township of Nepean, will receive tenders until noon of the 2nd of November, for the construction of a bridge over "Realy's Creek" in said township.

GODFRICH, ONT.—A deputation of representative citizens waited upon the Minister of Public Works, at Ottawa, a few days ago, and urged the necessity for the extension of the piers and the dredging of the harbor.

FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—Rev. J. Dyke proposes erecting a double cottage on Cumming street.—

The C.P.R. are about to erect another residence on Pruden street for one of their officials.—Capt. Cook is about to put up two houses.

LONDON, ONT.—It is expected that tenders will shortly be called for the construction of a sewer on Craig street.—It is understood that the C. P. R. will shortly begin the erection of new repair shops on Central avenue.—Two red brick stores are shortly to be built on the Ferris estate between Clarence and Richmond streets.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—The G. N. W. C. Railroad Company will build four elevators on their line.—It is said to be the intention of the City Council shortly to undertake the construction of sewerage works, paving and other improvements estimated to cost \$1,000,000.

BRANDON, MAN.—Tenders for cast iron and special castings for the proposed system of water works and sewer pipe for a sewerage system for this city, will be received by the consulting engineer, Mr. Thos. Worswick, Toronto, until Tuesday, the 27th inst.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.—The authorities of the C. P. R. recently made an inspection of the bridges along their line and decided to replace all wooden ones with steel structures at a cost of about \$2,000,000.—The Northern Pacific R. R. Co. will extend the Anacortes and Skagit branch to connect with the Washington Central, in the Big Bend district.

OWEN SOUND, ONT.—A considerable agitation is going on here to have an opera house built, and there is little doubt that such a venture would pay.—The tenders for the new hospital have in every case been found too high. Certain alterations are to be made to the plans by the architect, Mr. J. C. Foster, and new tenders will be called for.—The Smith Estate Co. will rebuild their docks here during the coming winter.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Mr. William Stewart, architect, invites tenders for the erection of a skating rink building for the Victoria Skating Company.—A permit has been granted to Brown & McBeath for a two-storey brick dwelling on Erie avenue, to cost \$1,300.—At a meeting of the Separate School Board held on the 21st inst., it was decided to mortgage property for the purpose of raising funds for the erection of a new school.—Mr. William Stewart, architect, will receive tenders until 6 p.m. on the 26th inst., for the erection of two two-storey brick dwellings on the corner of Caroline and Herkimer streets.—Mr. T. H. Pratt has purchased the Gage property on the corner of Main and Ontario streets.—A granite polish factory is proposed to be established here by Messrs. Hurd & Roberts.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Mr. Arthur Ellis, architect, will receive tenders until 5 p.m. of Monday, 26th inst., for the completion of three houses on Collingwood St.—Swimming baths are to be constructed.—Over \$2,000 has been subscribed towards sinking a well with a view to obtaining natural gas.—Tenders will shortly be called for placing range lights in the harbor. The lights are to be 55 feet in height.—Petitions have been presented to the City Council for sewers on Princess, Ordnance and Duffenn streets.—The ratepayers will vote on a by-law early in January to expend a considerable sum of money in the extension of Sydenham St., from Princess to Johnsten St.—Mr. Barker is erecting three brick veneered houses on Bagot street.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The City Surveyor will receive tenders until Wednesday, the 11th day of November, for the construction of sewers on the following streets:—Dorchester street, from St. Andre to Perri street; Jacques Cartier square, from St. Paul to Notre Dame street, on both sides of the square, Ontario street, from Elm avenue to Prefontaine street.—The city council has notified the ratepayers of its intention to construct sewers on the following streets:—Guy street, from Fargue avenue to Notre Dame street; St. Hubert street, from St. Catherine street southward; Hutchison street, from Prince Arthur street to Pine avenue; Knox street, from Charlevoix to Butler street; McGill College avenue,

from Burnside to Sherbrooke street, Napoleon street, from Pantaleon to Coeur de Lion street; Sherbrooke street, from Drummond to Mountain street.—The council are discussing the construction of a subway under St. Lambert Hill, and the extension of St. Lawrence street to the wharf.

BRIGHTON, ONT.—A new hotel is to be erected here having electricity in the buildings and on the grounds. Bonds for this work to the amount of \$60,000 have already been sold.

TORONTO, ONT.—Messrs. Langley & Burke, architects, are preparing plans for an expensive residence for Mr. E. W. Rathbun, at Deseronto, Ont.—The Polson Iron Works Company are said to be negotiating for the purchase of land on the Esplanade upon which to erect ship building works, the intention being to remove their Owen Sound business to Toronto.—Tenders are invited at 510 Bathurst street for brick and stone work of three houses.—The City Engineer has been instructed to relay pavements on Lisgar st., Saurin st., Northcote ave. and Argyle st.—An effort is to be made by the city to compel the University authorities to pay a proportion of the cost of asphaltting Adelaide street west.—The Markets' and License Committee of the Council recommend acceptance of the Government's terms for the lease of the property required for the enlargement of the western cattle market.—The village of East Toronto has expropriated a large piece of land with a view of establishing at an early date a permanent system of water supply.—The Dominion Government will build a protecting pier at the "eastern gap" of the harbor and increase the width of the "western gap" to 300 feet.—The City authorities have decided to request the Railway Committee of the Privy Council to consider the construction at an early date of a high level bridge across the Don.—Mr. N. W. Hoyles, barrister, will erect an expensive residence at the corner of Huron street and Lowther avenue.—Mr. George Leslie proposes to erect a row of summer cottages on the south side of Toronto Island.—The Board of Works has decided to ask tenders for grading North Drive, Yonge street to Rosedale road.—The following building permits have been granted: E. B. Osler, 2-story bk. add. to 18 King St. west, cost \$1,000; R. J. Robertson, 2 pr. s.d. 2-story and attic bk. dwellings, east side Cowan ave. nr. Springhurst ave., cost \$10,000; Mrs. Miller, 2 pr. s.d. 2-story b.f. dwellings, east side Howie ave., cost \$5,000; Cattenach Estate, add. to warehouse, 73 Bay St., cost \$3,000; Mr. White, one det. and pr. s.d. 2-story and attic bk. dwellings, cor. Avenue road and Boswell ave., cost \$9,000; Mrs. Somerville, alterations s.e. cor. Wellesley and Church Sts., cost \$1,500.—Mr. W. C. Be'dome, Chairman of the Property Committee of the Collegiate Institute Board, invites tenders until Nov. 2nd for the following furniture, etc., required at the new Harbord street Collegiate Institute, viz.: Furniture—300 pupils' desks and seats, 11 special desks, with chairs, for teachers, including one for the principal, 1 library table; 6 library chairs; reading desk for Assembly Hall; 1 dozen platform chairs; settees for seating 300 persons. Also for electric bell system, including electric clock. Also for the fitting up of the Science Rooms, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by the architects.—Mr. Wilson, of Bloor street, is about to erect six stores on the east side of Dundas street, near corner of Arthur street. The foundations are in.—Mr. John L. Dow, 12 King street east, intends building thirty semi-detached brick dwelling houses on Beech avenue, opposite Bellwood's Park.

## FIRES.

The large box factory owned by the Dudge & Bliss Box Company at Wauaubashe, Ont., was destroyed by fire on the 21st inst. Loss \$25,000.—The Law & Mehary block at Port Perry, Ont., was burned on the 21st inst. Loss \$20,000. The premises of the Canada Lumber Cutting Machine Co. at Trenton, Ont., were burned on the 21st inst. Loss about \$40,000.—On the 20th inst., fire destroyed the dwelling of K. F. Burns, M.P., and Messrs. Hickson, Power, Kerr and