

fects are inviting tenders for a two-story brick addition, 32 x 26 feet, to Bishop's palace adjoining St. Peter's cathedral.—A. O. Graydon, city engineer, wants tenders by 5 p. m. of 28th inst for erection of brick valve house.

WINDSOR, ONT.—The negotiations regarding the site for a House of Refuge have not yet ended, and the county council will take further steps in that direction at once. Plans submitted by Fred Henry, architect, of London, have been accepted for new parochial residence for St. Alphonsus church. Building will be brick, cost \$8,000. Tenders for erection are invited up to October 9th. Plans at office of Rev. Dean Flannery.—Government authorities were in the city last week inspecting the different sites for proposed drill shed.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—J. A. Macdonnell, chief engineer of the Public Works Department, was in the Gimli district last week laying out some road work to be done there.—Manager Whyte, of the C. P.R., states that the foundation of the new hotel and station will be laid this fall. Plans of the building are expected to arrive in the city immediately.—The Hudson's Bay Co. are about to establish telephone connection from Fort Smith to Smith's Landing, a distance of 160 miles on the Great Slave river.—Extensive improvements to the C.P.R. shops in this city are proposed.—The Northern Pacific Railway Co. will build three new stations on the Portage extension this fall.

VICTORIA, B.C.—Thos. Hooper, architect, has prepared plans for a three-storey and basement building to be erected on the north-west corner of Government and Broughton streets. Mr. Hooper is acting under instructions from E. M. Johnson, agent for C. A. Vernon, the owner. Tenders will be invited immediately. Building will contain stores, offices and a large hall.—The British Columbia Land & Investment Co. purpose adding another storey to their building at southwest corner of Government and Broughton streets.—A portion of Yates street will be paved with wooden blocks.—A motion will be introduced in council to submit a by-law offering an annual subsidy of \$17,000 for 20 years to a company to build and operate between Victoria and Port Angeles a steel passenger and express steamer, together with a steam-car ferry.

GUELPH, ONT.—The Guelph & Ontario Investment & Savings Society invites separate tenders up to Saturday, 30th inst., for alterations and additions, including plumbing, cabinet work, etc., to buildings at corner Wyndham and Court streets. Plans by Stewart McPhee, architect, Hamilton.—Cement sidewalks will be constructed on portions of Bridge, Birmingham, Cambridge, Derry and Perth sts.—A city engineer is wanted to do engineering work for the city, and to be allowed to accept outside commissions; salary \$500 per annum. Applications received by Ald. G. J. Thorp up to October 2nd.—Tenders are wanted by October 2nd for storm sash for two residences. Particulars from John McAteer, Victoria Hotel.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Changes are to be made in the eastern front of Bonaventure station. The wooden sidewalk will be replaced by asphalt, a fountain erected, and the canopy extended 15 feet.—It is announced that the Montfort Railway will be lengthened by the addition of 30 miles of track, to be built under the supervision of H. L. Auclair, of this city.—At a meeting of the Harbor Commissioners held last week, John Kennedy, chief engineer, submitted a report as to the parts of the harbor work that could best be undertaken next year. He recommended the construction of the pier nearest the Lachine canal, of the shore wharf between that pier and the canal,

the construction of part of the city flood protection wall, and the widening of Commissioners street. The engineer was instructed to prepare an estimate of the cost of the shore wharf in concrete, wood and stone. The plans for improvements at Windmill Point basin were approved of, and the engineer instructed to prepare an estimate showing the difference in cost between the high and low level systems. Specifications were also submitted of the high level flood protection wall to be built along Common street.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The Pontiac Mining Co. has secured control of the Chat's Falls water power at Quyon, 35 miles from this city, said to be capable of developing 680,000 horse power. A portion of this power will likely be developed at once.—The Geo. Matthews Co. has purchased the property consisting of Nos. 129, 131 and 131½ Bank street. The present building will be taken down and replaced by a four-storey brick block.—There will be erected on the grounds at Rideau Hall a modern greenhouse, 80 x 20 feet, fitted with all improvements.—The Grand Trunk Railway Co. will lay a double track from Coteau to Montreal.—The residents of Ottawa East are desirous of having a steel bridge erected over the canal between Argyle avenue and the canal road in place of the wooden structure.—Geo. R. Blythe & Sons, merchants, have purchased No. 194 and 195 Sparks street. It is the intention to remodel the stores and build an extension through to Queen street.—The construction of a tar macadam pavement on Rideau street, at cost of \$30,000, is under consideration.—An agitation is on foot to extend the Kingston and Pembroke railway to Bryston, Que. This extension would tap one of the best water powers in Canada.—Building permits have been granted as follows: G. B. Caldwell, brick veneered house, Patterson avenue, cost \$2,300; Jos. Barry, frame dwelling, Hickey street, cost \$700; E. E. Perney, frame house, Rideau terrace, cost \$1,200; J. M. Lavoie, terrace of three dwellings, Daly avenue, cost \$3,900.

TORONTO, ONT.—C. P. Thomas, architect, Temple Building, has prepared plans for a five-storey apartment house to be built this fall on the south-west corner of George and Harbord streets. The building will be of brick and stone, and will cost about \$100,000. The undertaking is in the hands of A. W. McDougald, of the Provincial Trust Co., as trustee for the promoters.—It is understood that a loan company have had plans prepared for a tenement building to be erected on the upper part of Jarvis street.—Mr. John Hall, secretary of the

Separate School Board, is having plans prepared for an addition to the teachers' residence on McDonald square. Regarding the removal of the Penetanguishene reformatory, it is stated that a site will be selected this fall, but that nothing further will be done until next year.—The Consumers' Gas Co. last week inspected sites at the Island for the establishment of a gas plant.—The manager of the Toronto Street Railway Co. has notified the city engineer of the willingness of the company to construct a permanent pavement between tracks on Dufferin street north of King.—In his fortnightly report presented to the Board of Works last week, the city engineer recommends the construction of the following works: Asphalt—Spadina avenue, Bloor to Bernard avenue, cost \$16,790; College street, Bathurst to Clinton, cost \$20,630; Manning avenue, Arthur to College, cost \$12,655; Manning avenue, College to Bloor, cost \$25,610; Simcoe street, King to Front, cost \$14,410. Cedar block—College street, Clinton to Lansdowne avenue, cost \$16,350. Concrete walks—Huntley street, west side, Isabella to Bloor, cost \$754; Carlton street, north side, Ontario to Bleeker, cost \$375.—Building permits have been granted as follows: Toronto General Trusts Company, alterations to offices, corner Yonge and Colborne streets, cost \$11,000; C. H. Westwood, two-storey and attic brick and stone residence, south-west corner Wilcox and Huron streets, cost \$5,000; Thomas McIlwain, pair two-storey s.d. stone and brick residences, west side King street, near Spencer avenue, cost \$4,500; G. P. Reid, general manager Standard Bank, residence on east side Jarvis street, north of Isabella, cost \$8,000; S. Wright, two-storey brick and stone residence, east side Brunswick avenue, near Ulster, cost \$4,300; John F. Urquhart, four detached two storey and attic dwellings, 31 Spencer ave., cost \$14,000.—The city council has given authority to the city engineer to invite tenders for the supply of a road roller. The council has also decided in favor of the construction of 24 inch water main on Front street, between Church and George, cost \$12,000.—Mr. A. R. Denison, architect, has prepared plans and taken tenders for a five-storey warehouse to be erected on Westmarket street for Ald. Hallam.

FIRES.

Refinery at Vancouver, B. C., owned by Fraser River Oil & Guano Syndicate, totally destroyed; loss \$50,000, covered by insurance.—Gendron & Thoret's grocery store at Valleyfield, Que., completely gutted; loss partially covered by

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