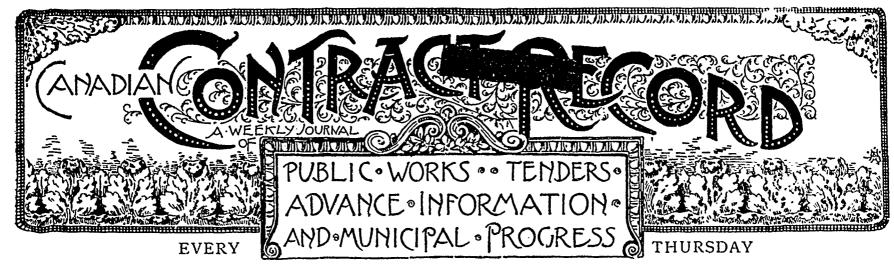
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At its Convention held in Toronto, Nov. 20 and 31, 1889, the Ontario Association of Architects signified its approval of the CANADIAN CONTRACT RECORD, and pledged its members to use this journal astheir medium of communication with contractors with respect to advertisements for Tenders:

The following resolution was unanimously adopted at the First Annual Meeting of the Province of Quebec Association of Architects, field in Montreal, Oct. 10th and 11th, 1890. "Moved by M. Perrault, secon led by A. P. Dunlop, that we the Architects of the Province of Quebec now assembled in Convention being satisfied that the OANADIAN CONTRACT RECORD affords us a direct communication with the Contractors,—Resolved, that we pledge our support to it by using its columns when calling for Tenders."

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## TO CONTRACTORS

Scaled Tenders, endorsed "New Parliament Buildings, Victoria, Contract No. 2," will be received by the Henourable Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to one o'clock p.m. of Thursday, 30th November, 1893, for the several trades required in the erection of New Parliament Buildings at James Bay, Victoria, B.C., viz.:—

- The excavator, mason and bricklayer's work.
   The carpenter and joiner's work.
   The slater's and platterer's work.
   The coppersmith's work.
   The smith and ironfounder's work.
   The plumber's work.
   The painter's work.

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Tenders will be received for any one trade or for the whole work.

The plans, cetails, &c., as prepared by F. M. Rattenbury, Architect, can be seen at the office of the undersigned on or after Monday, October 16th, 1893, and complete quantities clearly describing the whole of the work can be obtained on payment of \$20 for each trade. This sum will be returned to the contractors on receipt of a bona fide tender.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque equal to two per cent. on the amount of each trade tendered for, which will be returned as part security for the due performance of the work. The cheque will be returned to unsuccessful competitors, but will be forfeited by any bidder who may decline to execute a contract if called upon to do so.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works. Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., September 28th, 1893.

TENDERS

FOR AN

# ELECTRIC LIGHT

Sealed tenders will be received at my office up to 6 o'clock on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH, for an ARC ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT for the City of London Conde for the City of London, Canada, including boilers, engines, etc.
Plans and specifications may be seen at this

A. ORMSBY GRAYDON. ZGERALD. City Engineer. ALD. F. J. FITZGERALD. Chairman No. 3 Committee.

## TENDERS.

## TO CONTRACTORS.

Tenders will be received addressed to the undersigned, up 10-5 p.m. on

Saturday, the 25th inst., for the Mason and Brick work, Carpenter work, and Structural Iron work, and up to 5 p.m. on

### Wednesday, the 29th inst.,

for the Painting and Glazing, Plastering, Roofing, Galvanized Iron and Plumbing required in the entire remodelling of the store and premises, No. 214 Yonge Street, for MESSRS GUIN NE BROS. Plans and specifications may be seen on the premises, to give Contractors an opportunity of examining the old building.

F. H. HERBERT, Architect, 24 Toronto Arcade.



## **Notice to Contractors**

Tenders will be received by registered post, addressed to the City Engineer, Toronto, up to 11 o'clock a.m. on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 1893, for the following:

# A FIVE-FOOT STEEL PIPE

for the Extension of the Yonge Street Sewer.

Tenders will also be received in the same man-ner, and on the above date, for the necessary Piling and Laying of the Said Pipe.

Piling and Laying of the Said Pipe.

Plans apd specifications may be seen and forms of tender obtained on and after Saturday December 2nd, 1893, at the office of the City Engineer.

A deposit in the form of a marked cheque, payable to the order of the City Treasurer, for the sum of 5 per cent. on the value of the work tendered for under \$1,000, and 23 per cent. on the value of the work tendered for our that amount, must accompany each and every tender, otherwise it will not be entertained.

All tenders must bear the bona fide signatures of the contractor and his sureties (see specifications) or they will be ruled out as informal. The committee do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

DANIEL LAMB,

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DANIEL LAMB,

Chairman Committee on Works.

Committee Room, Toronto, Nov. 22, 1893.

### CONTRACTS OPEN.

MAGOG, QUE.-The Town Council has decided to purchase a chemical engine.

COATICOOK, QUE. — The Medical Health officer has condemned the water

WINNIPEG, MAN.-The St. Andrew's Society is considering the erection of a new hall.

SIMCOE, ONT .- N. C. Ford, Town Clerk, invites proposals until the 4th of December, for the purchase of \$9,200 worth of debentures.

CLINTON, ONT.—The Clinton Organ Co., whose building was burned down some weeks ago, will probably rebuild their works at Elora, Ont.

VICTORIA, B. C .- It is reported here that an electric tramway to the Alberni mines will be built on China Creek and a smelter erected at its terminus.

THREE RIVERS, QUE. The factory of L. P. Trotter, Axe Manufacturing Company, destroyed by fire a few weeks ago, will be reconstructed on a larger scale.

AYLMER, QUE. The Town Council has passed a by-law for the construction of a waterworks and sewerage system, which will shortly be submitted to the

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C .- It is stated that the governing council of the Columbia Methodist College will next summer erect the first portion of the buildings of the institution, at a cost of \$12,000.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—Application will be made to Parliament by the Niagara Falls Electrical Railway Bridge Company to build a bridge across the Niagana river, between the Falls and the whirlpool, and to operate thereon an electric railway.

CAUGHNAWAGA, QUE - The village Council has petitioned the Dominion Government to provide a system of fire protection. A regular system of waterworks is not practicable, and it is proposed to use fire engines to be supplied from the river and from wells sunk throughout the

village.
ST. THOMAS, ONT.—Mr. Jas. A. Bell,
C. E., has received instructions from the Council of the County of Elgin to prepare plans for rebuilding the Port Stanley bridge. The new structure will have two spans of about 110 feet each, built of iron or steel, with 16 ft. roadway. The con-tract will be awarded before the first of the new year.

STRATFORD, ONT.—David G. Baxter, architect, is preparing plans for the following work. Double residence on Cambria street for De La Framier Bios, photographers, to be built of pressed brick, with metallic lathing, Adamant plaster, steel-clad baths, Daisy hot water heaters and Safford radiators, cost \$8,000; large bank barn, 90 ft. ×250 ft., with all iron stable accessories, etc., for Mr. John Baxter, at St. Pauls, Ont., to be of brick and stone, cost, \$4,000, cloistered pass-STRATFORD, ONT .- David G. Baxter and stone, cost, \$4,000, cloistered pass-

ageway between St. James church and its school-room, and for alterations in interior of school room, cost \$1,200; alterations in South Abbey, this city, cost \$2,000.

LONDON, ONT.—The Grand Trunk Railway Company will erect at once a \$2,000 addition to their offices here.—At the last meeting of the Water Commissioners it was decided that new steam pumps and another main line were necespumps and another man fine were neces-sary. The cost of a cast iron pipe line is estimated at \$78,000.— Mr. John Taylor, Queen's avenue, will erect a brick cottage on Piccadilly street. Estimated cost

MONTREAL, QUE.—It is the intention of the Consumers' Gas Company next year to erect a gasometer at Cote St. Paul with of the Consumers' Gas Company next year to erect a gasometer at Cote St. Paul with a capacity of one million feet. —The Road Committee has given notice that a sewer will be constructed on Mount Royal ave., from St. Hubert street to Maple street. Mr. St. George, City Surveyor, recently had an interview with the C. P. R. officials in regard to the building of a bridge over the C P. R. tracks at the entrance of the Brock street tunnel.— The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has not yet decided on the final location of the route of the Montreal and Ottawa railway. matter will be discussed at the next meeting of directors, and the location finally decided upon.—The St. Jean Baptiste Electric Light Company purpose erecting shortly a new power station adjoining their present works at the corner of Rachel and Mountain streets.—The Bell Telephone Company contemplate the erection of an addition to their factory on Aqueduct street at an early date.

HAMILTON, ONT. The Board of Works has decided to recommend to Council that tenders be called for the supply of lumber for 1894, to be sent in before the 29th of January.—The old Post-office building on James street will be sold to the three city associations, the Wentworth Historical Society, the Hamilton Association, and the Canadian Club ton Association, and the Canadian Club. Pl. 28 for the necessary alterations are now being prepared.—The foundations of the proposed smelting works will be con-structed this winter.—The proposed new incline railway at Wentworth street is structed this winter.—The proposed new incline railway at Wentworth street is likely to become an accomplished fact, the company having applied for incorporation. The estimated cost is placed at under \$25,000. Mr. J. W. Lake, has left for New York to get designs for new machinery.—Building permits have been granted as follows. Robert Gordon, pair two-story brick dwellings on Hess street, between George and Main streets, cost \$5,200, also for alterations to two houses, to cost \$1,000, B. C. Arnedt, two-story brick dwellings on Main street, between Wentworth street and Sanford avenue, cost \$1,500; George Gobborn, two two-story brick dwellings on Catharine street, between Picton and Ferrie streets, cost \$1,800; S. Sheck, two-story brick dwelling, corner Aberdeen and Fairmoant avenue, cost \$1,500; Wm. Powell, two two-story brick dwellings on Jackson st., between Bay and Pearl streets, cost

TORONTO, UNT .- Mr. F. H. Herbert, architect, 24 Toronto Arcade, will receive tenders until 5 p. m. on Saturday, the 25th inst., for the mason and brickwork, carpenter work and structural iron work required in remodelling Messes. Guinane Bros. shoe store, 214 Yonge street. Plans may be seen at the store.—The Lorne Park Company report that several persons are negotiating for the purchase of lots at the Park on which to erect summer cottages next season.—A permanent side-walk will be constructed on Carlton street, from Yonge street to Scatton street.

The Sheppard Publishing Company
have purchased property at No. 22 and 24 Adeliade street west as a site on which to erect their proposed building.—At a meeting of the York County Council held last week the Engineer recommended that inst week the Engineer recommended that immediate steps be taken to erect a new bridge at Woodbridge. The cost is estimated at \$3,000.—Tenders are wanted at No. 193 Church street, until Saturday, the 25th inst., for remodelling two houses on Shuter street.—The City Engineer has been instructed to prepare complete plans of all the work proposed to be done on the water front, and submit the same to the Property Committee.—At a meeting of the Public Library Board held last week, it was decided to ask for tenders for fittings for the art-room and two rooms on the first floor, the cost to be in the neighborhood of \$850.—Building per-mits have been granted as follows: John Stark, det. 2 story and attic bk. residence, n. w. cor. Park Rd. and Woodland ave., Rosedale, cost \$8,500; Reinhardt & Co., 2 story bk. and stone office and boiler room, Mark st., cost \$3,000; Widmer Hawke, 2 story bk. stable, rear s. w. cor. Wilton ave., and Jarvis st., cost \$2,000.

OTTAWA, ONT.—At the last meeting of the Board of Works, the City Engineer presented his report on the proposed trunk sewer. The total length of the sewer is estimated at over six miles, to be built of brick. From Concession st. to the Rideau Canal, it will be three feet six inches deep, by two feet four inches wide. After crossing the canal these dimensions will be increased to four feet six inches by three feet. The total number of brick necessary is estimated at \$4,000,000 from Concession street eastward. The total cost of the trunk sewer through the entire district including \$4,000 which is recommended for the en largement of the present main sewer and a new iron discharge pipe with piers is estimated at \$360,750. To meet this estimated at \$360,750. To meet this expenditure it is proposed to issue debentures if the by-law for the sewer is adopttures if the by-law for the sewer is adopted by the ratepayers at the January election.—Plans have been prepared by Mr. G. F. Stalker, architect, for a concert hall and assembly room, to be erected on Wellington street. Tenders will be called for shortly.—A company with a capital stock of \$95,000 is applying for incorporation to be held a preparent house in this tion to build a new opera house in this city. The promoters of the company are Messrs. Thos. Askwith, John B. Brouse, Wm. Johnstone, Wm. Stewart, Andrew Mills, R. P. Harris, T. F. Nellis, S. J. Davis, Henry Burgess and Henry C. Monk. Their solicitors are Messrs. Nellis and Monk. Options have been secured on several properties, and work will be commenced in the spring.—Mr. F. J. Alexander, architect, has the following work in hand, to be executed next spring: summer cottage at Lake Temisspring: summer cottage at Lake Temiscamingue, Que., for Mr. M. Brown, of Philadelphia, U. S. A., cost, \$3,000; two detached villa residences for Sanford Fleming, C. E., C. M. G., to be built on Daly avenue, this city; two semi-detached residences for Mr. W. Burland, to be crected on Slater street.—E. F. E. Roy, Secretary Department of Public Works invites tenders until Thursday, the 30th inst. for the construction of a hot water heating apparatus in the public building at West Farnham, Que.

Stamp & Frank, painters, of Hamilton, have assigned to W. Anderson.

### FIRES.

Two residences at Moncton, N. B., owned by G. H. Barnes, of Sussex, and Daniel White, were destroyed by fire a few days ago.—A saw mill at Ethel, Ont., owned by Wm. Milne was burned on the 18th inst. Insurance on building and machinery \$1,800. – The Dominion hotel at Campbellford, Ont., owned by Mr. Mahoney, and occupied by Messrs. White & Dewey, was damaged by fire last week to the extent of \$1,000. - The Carvell residence, at the corner of Waterloo and Cliff streets, St. John, N. B., was burned on the 16th inst. Loss, \$45,000, insurance \$10,000.—Humphrey & Trites large saw mill at Petitcodiac, N. B., was destroyed by fire recently. Loss, \$15,000, covered by insurance.—The Christian Brothers' school on Sussex street, Ottawa, a fine cut stone structure, was destroyed by fire on Thursday of last week. Loss \$50,000; insurance \$11,000.—A business block on Rideau street, owned by Sheriff Sweetland, was damaged to the extent of \$2,500 on the same date.—The store and dwelling of Mr. Jos. Tully at Springville, Ont., were destroyed by fire on Monday

### CONTRACTS AWARDED.

OTTAWA, ONT.—G. M. Bayly, architect, has awarded contracts as follows for a residence for Mr. Jos. Foster, to be erected on Concession street: John Robertson, masonry and brickwork; Thos. Shore, carpentry; Thos. Cleary, plastering; plumbing and painting not

### ANCHORING BOLTS IN STONE.

To a paper read before the Washburn Mechanical Engineering Society of Wor cester, Mass., by Mr. E. F. Miner, we are indebted for the following facts regarding the holding power of anchor bolts in stone

The tests were made on a Fairbanks testing machine in the mechanical laboratory of the Worcester Polytecinic Insti-tute, for the purpose of determining the strength of the fastening of a cast-iron journal plate to a stone column. The materials tested were babbit metal, lead and sulphur.

It was necessary that the bolts should not enter the stone over 6 inches and that they should be capable of easy removal without injuring the stone. For the purpose of the test a tap bolt was prepared, 114 inches in diameter, 9 inches long, with a thread 614 inches long. The thread was V shape 1/3 inch pitch, cut nearly sharp on top, and about three-sixteenths of an inch wide at the root, thus leaving a wide space between threads to allow the setting to fill easily about the screw. In all the tests, with one exception, the bolt was set in stone 6 inches; in the test with lead pipe 614 inches. The stones were prepared 10 inch cubes, faced on three adjacent sides and were of dark Brandford granite from Stoney Creek, Conn. The holes in the stones were as nearly as possible two inches in diameter, 6½ inches deep, and in three of the tests tapered, so that at the bottom the diameter was 21/2 inches.

The loads were applied slowly, measurements for extension made at each 500 pounds increment. At every additional 5,000 pounds the setting was allowed to remain five minutes with the load applied. Measurements for extension were taken by calipering the distance between the iron clamp straps.

TEST No. 1—Babbit metal setting, an

inferior grade of metal, quite hard and brittle. Up to 10,000 pounds there was an extension of 3-128ths of an inch, due to the babbit metal and stone coming to a firm bearing. After remaining five minutes un-der the load of 10,000 pounds no change was apparent. Between 10,000 and 15,000 pounds there was no extension, but after the five-minute period at 15,000 pounds the bolt had drawn out 1 inch. At 16,000 pounds the stone split. It had previously been used with a lead setting, and no

doubt been weakened thereby.

TEST No. 2—Lead setting, lead melted and poured in about the bolt. Hole in the stone tapered. Up to 2,500 pounds there was an extension of 1 inch. From

2,500 to 5,000 pounds there was no change: but after standing five minutes under 5,000 pounds the bolt had drawn out 1-64th of an inch. Above 0,000 pounds and up to 13,000 pounds, at each additional load of 1.000 pounds there was an extension of 1-128th of an inch, after which ineasure-ments were not taken. At 13,000 pounds, power from the engine was applied and an attempt made to pull out the bolt; the tension ran up to 33,000 pounds, when the lead gave way rapidly and the load fell off.

TEST NO. 3—Lead pipe setting in a straight hole. The internal diameter of the pipe was 1½ inches and the external two inches. The pipe was made to fit nicely in the stone, the last inch in length being driven. The bolt was then screwed in the the pipe was made to the transfer of the pipe was the straight of the pipe was the to the pipe and made to cut its own way, thus forming a thread in the pipe 1/8 inch deep and forcing the lead out into all the irregularities in the sides of the bole. Up to 4,000 pounds there was an extension of 1-32nd of an inch, but between that and 10,500 pounds there was no change. Between 10,500 and 13,000 pounds there was an extension of 1-128th of an inch. Above this latter point each additional load produced its proportional amount of extension. In applying the power from the engine the tension rose to 25,000 pounds, and then fell rapidly from that point.

TEST No. 4—Sulphur setting, in tapered hole. Up to 10,000 pounds there was no perceptible change in the bolt or setting. Above this point the extension became a measureable quantity, but at a load of 19,000 pounds it had become only 3-64ths of an inch. Beyond this no measurements were taken. At a load of 31,125 pounds the stone split. It was thought that at this point the sulphur setting showed signs of movement, though it is difficult to say anything definite. The fragments of sulphur from the broken some showed no signs of crushing.

TEST No. 5—Sulphur setting in a straight hole. Up to 20,000 pounds there was no measureable movement in either holt or setting; at the end of the five minute period at 20,000 pounds there was an inch but beyond this there was no further accumulated extension of 1-128th of an extension through the remainder of the experiment. At 29,000 pounds the pressure of the iron clamps cracked off a corner of the stone and the load dropped 1,000 pounds; otherwise nothing was affected; at a load of 31,515 pounds, one of the iron straps holding the stone broke and ended the experiment.

The tests with sulphur were the most satisfactory in every way, and that was the material selected for use. In the experiments with lead and babbit metal. there was a very perceptible movement under a slight load or until the metal and stone had come to a firm bearing. This would seem to be due to the contraction of the metal on cooling. In both experi-ments with lead the failure was between the lead and the stone.

### BUSINESS NOTES.

Mr. J. Courtney, plumber, Queen street east, Toronto, has assigned to W. A. Campbell.

A statement of the affairs of John Sims & Co., plumbers, 145 Church st., Toronto, showed the liabilities to be \$10,827 and the assets, \$26,452. It is likely that a settlement will be effected at 30 cents on the dollar.

The following items are reported in the Legal and Commercial Exchange: E. Lacasse & Co., plumbers, St. Henri, Que., have dissolved partnership.—Fortin & Son, sash and door factory, Vancouver, B. C., have sold out.—Wencelas Brunes. has registered to carry on business as has registered to carry on business as plumbers in Montreal, under the style of Hetu & Brunet.—Rochon, & Frere, contractors, Montreal, are offering to compromise at 35 cents on the dollar.—Gillard & Rufus, builders, and John C. Reid, painter, of St. John, Nfld., are applying for insolvency declaration.—Andrews & Stevenson, contractors, Glencoe, Ont., have dissolved partnership, Mr. James Stevenson, continuing the business.

## MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

### THE MANUFACTURE AND USE OF PAVING BRICK.\*

PAVING BRICK.\*

The generic term brick includes within its meaning classes of material of such wide variations in their particular qualities as to need a more definite classification when considering the adaptability of such classes to particular purposes.

So when we consider a certain class of this inserial for street paving it must not be confused with other classes manufactured for other purposes and perhaps entirely unfit for this particular use. These manifold qualities of brick are due partially to methods of manufacture, but more largely to greatly diversified qualities of the clay from which the brick are made.

Clays may be classed as to their origin and occurrence as follows:—Residuary clays result from the disintegration of rocks in place. The soluble and binding materials are leached out and was washed away and leave the insoluble materials in a more or less divided form, as clay. This takes its character from the character of the rock from which it is derived, modified by the action of water. Some of the purest clays are derived in this way trom feld spiret clays are derived in this way trom feld spiret clays are derived in this way trom feld spiret clays are derived in this way trom feld spiret clays are derived in this way trom feld spiret. water. Some of the purest clays are derived in this way from feldspathic rocks from which the alkalies have been leached, leaving a clay closely resembling kaolin (purec lay). Other less pure clays are derived from the disintegration of limeclays are derived from the disintegration of lime-stone, sandstone, &c. In each case, however, soluble constituents are almost entirely gone, leaving the insoluble silicates, quartz grains, alum-ina and ferric oxide. 2. Drift clays are the result of the mechanical action of the ice during the glacial period, by which the various formations were ground up and mechanically transported and redeposited largely without the aid of water. These clays represent the character of the mother rock much more accurately than those of class 1. as in this case the soluble matter is largely retained and not leached out, except by the action of the

and not leached out, except by the action of the water, since their deposition. 3. Alluvial clays rewrought and redeposited by fluvial agencies, 4. Indurated clays, or argillaceous recks and shades, are formations resulting from the disintegration of the earlier rocks by various influences and their referration into any testia. They tegration of the earlier rocks by various influences and their re-formation into new strata. They have usually been subjected to great pressure from the superincumbent rocks, to which pressure they owe their physial character to a large extent.

Of the deposits of clay above named the clays from the carboniferous period are most widely utilized for the manufacture of paving brick. At Columbus, O., the Devonian shales or the product of their disintegration, is untilised, while at Syracuse the Saliua shale is found available. Some few drift clays are also successfully used for the manufacture of a fair quality of paving brick.

manufacture of a fair quality of paving brick, notably at Decature. Jacksonville, and Urbana, in Illinois. A mixture of drift clay and carboniferous clay is utilized at Brazil, Ind., for the manufacture of paving brick. The accompanying map shows the distribution of the carboniferous deposits.

shows the distribution of the carboniferous deposits east of the Rocky Mountains and also the outline of the drift area. It also shows the location of the principal paying brick factories and the principal cities which are now using this material for paying within the territory shown.

As may be judged from its wide occurrence and manifold compositions, clay varies widely in its extreme characters, but all material to be classed as clays must have certain constituents in common. The essential ingredient is a hydrous silicate of alumina, known as kaolin, which, according to Professor G. H. Cook, is composed of

Silica		•
Alumina.	 	398
Water		72.0

extent in the infinitaction product inside different.

Pure alumina will resist the highest temperature of the blat furnace, in which crystalline quartz (silica) will be only slightly affected, both being prictically infusible. Alumina shrinks, warps and cracks greatly in Crying, but gives plasticity and adhesiveness to the clay and strength to the product. Silica prevents cracking and disterting, the more silica the less plasticity and adhesiveness of the clay and the less shrinkage. But the more silica the less plasticity and adhesiveness of the clay and the less strength and greater brittleness. Lime and magoisa, while infusible in themselves or with alumina, fuse in the presence of an excess of silica, as do also several other common ingredients of clay, and form a "vitrified brick."

It is found that potash has the most active flux-It is found that potash has the most active fluxing effect on clay, after which follow soda, lime, magnesia and iron in the order named. To "vitnify" a clay should contain at least 3 per cent. potash, 3½ per cent. of soda, 25 per cent, of lime or magnesia, or 8 per cent. of iron, or a combined proportion of any of all these fluxes equal to these amounts. An appreciable less amount of these fluxing elements will leave all the product more of the nature of a firebrick, unvitrified and porous

<sup>\*</sup> From a paper by Mr. D. W. Mead, read before the nteanational Engineering Congress at Chicago Exhi-

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and as a rule unfit for paving purposes. A greater portion than above specified is desirable, and will make the clay more easily vitrified at a less heat, and is to some extent a measure of its economic manufacture, as a lower heat and consequently less fuel will be required in its burning. Too great amount of these fluxes, amounting perhaps to three times the quantities above mentioned, will render the clay hard to handle on account of great fusibility. According to Richter, lime and magnesia are more active fluxing agents than potash and soda. The presence of lime or magnesia in a paving brick in reasonable quantities is not believed by the writer to be detrimental to the brick if the exists in a finely divided state and is intimately commingled with the other constituents so that a silica of lime or magnesia will be formed in the burning.

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REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN BATTLE, THOROLD, ONT.

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The demand for builders' supplies continues dull. Few sales of any importance are being made of lumber, brick and sand, and no improvement is looked for until the opening of the spring trade. The fall trade in paints and oils is nearly over, and as a result the market is quiet. Glass is reported steady in Toronto and quiet in Montreal. A moderate but satisfactory demand is reported for plumbers' supplies and iron pipe.

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