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Stratford, March 27th, 1896.

BUSINESS NOTES.

W. Angus, painter, Pembroke, On has comprised at 25 cents on the dollar.

Charles Lafond and Theodore Gaudet, Montreal, have dissolved contractors. partnership.

A. V. McDonald, contractor, Vancouver, B. C., is reported to have left the country.

Darby & Beckman, carpenters, Guelph, Ont., have dissolved paitnership. F. W. Darby continues.

J. B. L. Prescourt, contracting carpenter, Montreal, is reported to have assigned, with liabilities about \$11,000.

Alex. Milne, plumber, London, Ont., has effected a compromise with his creditors on a basis of 30c. on the dollar.

It has been decided to close up the estate of Robert Heath, contractor and builder, Toronto, who recently assigned. The statement shows liabilities of \$15,000 and assets in real estate of about \$25,000.

The Columbia Fire Proofing Co., of Pittsburg, have entered suit against Robert Simpson, of Toronto, the Hamilton Bridge Co., and the Canada Landed and National Investment Co., for \$7,783, to enforce a lien.

When painting on plaster it is best to make the first coat chiefly oil, using very little lead. A good job cannot be obtained in less than four coats.

A very handsome and bright green may be obtained by using extra light chrome green glazed over with the emerald green, or, as it is often called, Paris green.

An illustrated German technical journal shows a method of fastening to stone that may be of interest to members of the trade. The illustrations presented are of insulators for electric wires, knobs, etc., but the principle may, perhaps, have a wider application. The hole in the stone is filled with plaster of Paris, and in the center of the hole is a double wire coil. The coil consists of two wires, wound right and left, and when this is placed in the middle of the plaster of Paris it forms a rough thread for the screw end of the bolt or fixture that is to be fastened.

CONTRACTS OPEN.

COOKSTOWN, ONT. - A fire hall will be erected here.

INGERSOLL, ONT.—The erection of a hospital is being considered.

BLAKE, ONT.-Robert Allan intends building a brick house this summer.

WEYMOUTH, N. S. - Joseph Ethier is preparing to erect a two-storey store.

FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—The C. P. R. will erect a large elevator at this point.

WHEATLEY, ONT .- T. Coulter is considering the erection of two new houses.

SOMERSET, QUE.-Francis Kousseau will rebuild his saw mill recently burned.

WATERLOO, ONT.—H. Kreig intends erecting several new residences this summer. SARNIA, ONT .- The street railway will

probably be converted into an electric PORT STANLEY, ONT.-Wm. Fraser

proposes enlarging the Fraser House in this town. FENWICK, ONT .- W. W. H. Fry will

shortly commence the erection of two tenement houses.

PETROLEA, ONT.—It is reported that a new Y. M. C. A. hall is to be erected here, at a cost of \$15,000. NANAIMO, B. C.—The Town Council are inviting plans for a system of sewerage for the town.

FITCH BAY, QUE.-L. H. Rand intends building a warehouse on the site of the one burned two years ago.

CORNWALL, ON1.—Joseph Primeau is arranging for the erection of a new dwelling house on Sydney street.

GANANOQUE, ONT .- It is said that plans are being prepared for a large summer hotel to be erected here.

HALIFAX, N. S.—Contracts have not yet been let for the new building proposed to be erected by Gordon & Keith.

JANETVILLE, ONI. — A Methodist church, to cost \$2,000, will be built here. Methodist The sum of \$800 has been subscribed.

TWEED, ONT .- P. K. Newton is preparing to erect a block on Colborne street. -John Downey will build a business block here.

CAMPBELLION, N. B.—Proposals are invited from contractors for supplying the town with a system of waterworks. For particulars address A. E. Alexander, mayor.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—E. A. Charteris has applied to the City Council for a bonus of \$100,000 to construct a pontoon dock in this city.

DESCHENES MILLS, QUE. - Mr. Conroy is considering a proposition to erect a factory for the manufacture of agricultural implements.

TRENTON, ONT.—Gilmour & Co., of this town, will crect a large saw mill during the coming summer at the end of the first ten mile section of the unconstructed portion of the Ottawa, Amprior and Parry Sound railway.

VALLEYFIELD, QUE.—A new railway station will be constructed by the New York Central railway.

Newcastle, Ont.—The large crown stone bridge east of the G. T. R. station has been swept away by floods.

CARLETON, N. B.—E. R. Taylor is about to commence the erection of a brick and stone warehouse, corner Duke and Union streets.

BRUCEFIELD, ONT.—William Dixon is making arrangements for the rebuilding of his hotel. It will be brick, of the most modern plan.

CHICOUTIMI, QUE.—The town offers exemption from taxation and a bonus to the first industry establishing not less than 200 employees.

NORWAY, ONT.—The ratepayers have accepted the plans of Percy Over, architect, for a new school building. The cost will be about \$3,000.

FREDERICTON, N. B.—R. Everett has purchased lots on Brunswick and St. John streets and intends erecting modern cottages this summer.

COLLINGWOOD, ONT.—A deputation from this town has gone to Ottawa to endeavor to secure a grant for harbor dredging at this place.

PENETANGUISHENE, ONT.—A deputation from this town has requested the Ontario Legislature to carry out necessary improvements to the harbor.

IRONDALE, ONT.—Davey & Son intend to rebuild ther saw mill destroyed by fire last fall. It will be 30×70 feet in size, with an addition 24×70 feet.

WESTMOUNT, QUE.—The town will receive applications, addressed to the secretary-treasurer, until the 7th of April, for the position of town engineer.

Annapolis, N. S.—A company has been formed to engage in the manufacture of hardwood barrels for apple and fish packing. A site has been selected on the Lequille river.

MOUNT FOREST, ONT.—A by-law has been given its second reading in council to issue debentures to the amount of \$45,000 for the construction of a system of water works.

WOODSTOCK, ONT.—The construction of a new fire hall is being considered by the council.—The county is asking for proposals for the purchase of \$16,000 of 4 per cent. debentures.

REGINA, N. W. T.—At a recent meeting it was resolved to form a company, with a capital of \$5,000, to erect a cream ery Messrs Mowat, Lamount, R. Martin and Sinton are interested.

WESTON, ONT.—D. Rowntree will receive tenders until the 8th inst., for the erection of a brick residence. Plans may be seen at the Weston Trading Co.'s store. J. A. Ellis, architect, Toronto.

OTTAWA, ONT.—Plans have been prepared for the extension of the Ottawa electric street railway to Britannia, a distance of four miles. Work will be commenced about the middle of this month.

WINDSOR, ONT.—The officers of the 21st Batalhon have sent to Ottawa the plans of an armoury which it is proposed to erect, one building for each company The buildings will be of brick, 40×20 ft., cost \$1,000 each.

KEMPTVILLE, ONT.—Mr. Bowen, of Mountain, has requested a bonus of \$5,000, a free site and exemption from taxation for the erection of a large roller mill at this place. It is probable that the offer will be accepted.

RICHIBUCTO, N. B.—Prospects are somewhat bright for the construction of a pulp mill here. Interested parties have

stated that if \$40.000 can be raised by the town, they will furnish the balance and commence work at once.

NORTH SYDNEY, C. B.—J. N. Armstrong, town clerk, will receive applications until the 10th inst. for the position of superintending engineer in connection with the construction of the proposed waterworks services to commence April 15th.

KINGSTON, ONT.—The City Council have still under consideration the question of municipal ownership of its electric light plant. It is claimed that the city could install an arc plant of 110 lamps at a cost of \$30,000, and operate the same at a cost of \$7,000 per year.

CHATHAM, ONT.—The School Board have decided to erect a new twelve-roomed building in South Chatham and a four-roomed addition to McKeough school. The Building Committee has been instructed to procure plans for same. Dr. Cornell can give particulars.

MONCTON, N. B.—A meeting of share-holders of the Moncton Street Railway, Heat & Power Co. will be held on Friday next for the purpose of appointing directors and taking action in connection with the construction of the proposed railway. The capital of the company is \$100,000.

RENFREW, ONT.—Work will shortly be commenced on the improvements to Dr. Cleary's block. The present front will be taken out and a new one of modern design put in, of brick and plate glass.—Mr. T. R. White proposes to erect a new brick block this spring. The new store will be 75×27 ft., with front of iron and plate glass.

HAMILTON, ONT.—Robert Clohecy, architect, will receive tenders until 5 p.m. to-day (Thursday) for the erection of a brick residence on John street south.—The township of Barton has passed a by-law to permit the Humilton Electric Railway Co. to run cars over certain highways in the township.—The by-law to issue debentures for \$85,000 to build the Normal School and Collegiate Institute has received its second reading in Council.

SHERBROOKE, QUE.—It is understood that a grant of \$10,000 has been made by the Dominion government towards the building of a new drill shed here.—Arrangements are said to have been completed with an American syndicate for the construction of a street railway. It is expected that the work of construction will be commenced as soon as the weather will permit.—A new convent will be erected for the Sisters of the Ste. Famille on the site of the St. Charles house. The building will be 80 by 36 feet, two stories, with mansard roof, and will be constructed in solid brick.

STRATFORD, ONT.—David G. Baxter, architect, is preparing plans for a block of stores in Mitchell for J. J. Middlemiss, plumber, 33 ft. 6 in. frontage, 75 feet deep, red stock brick, iron roof, etc., two stories, also plans for a similar block for J. J. B. Little, at Mitchell, two stories, felt and gravel roof, store fixtures; fancy and plate glass for both blocks. Tenders to be called about April 1st.—Tenders are invited in this issue of the CONTRACT RECORD for the erection of the House of Refuge for the county. The building will be 140×44 feet, with an extension 30×30 feet, basement 9 feet high. It will be constructed of white brick, with brown stone facings and slate roof, and heated by hot water. Estimated cost \$14,000.

LONDON, ONT.—Tenders are invited for the erection of a brick veneered church, with basement, for the Glendale congregation. Plans may be seen on application to C. W. Hourd, this city.—Mr. Fred. Henry, architect, of this city, recently visited St. Thomas in connection with the preparation of plans for an addition to the

Catholic convent in that city.—Tenders are invited until the 15th inst. for erecting a brick school house. Plans may be seen at the residence of Fred Fitzgerald, London township. — Tenders are invited by John M. Moore, superintendent waterworks, until the 7th inst. for annual supplies for the department, as follows: iron pipe and pipe laying, brass fittings, hydrants, valves, valve chambers, iron castings, lead pipe, lumber, coal, illuminating and lubricating oils, and hardware.

QUEBEC, QUE.—It is stated that the Sisters of Charity will purchase the Florence hotel and convert it into a branch of their establishment.—F. X. Drouin, Q.C., who recently purchased the Pye property on St. Ursule street, intends to rebuild the structures thereon and transform the property into dwelling houses.—A new presbytery and a church belfry is to be erected at St. Christine, Portneuf.—Plans have been prepared for Michael Coté for the construction on St. Joseph street, near the Palais, of a restaurant labyrinth, to be known as the Hotel des Illusions.-A four-storey wing, 84 feet long, is about to be added to the Levi College.—The work of construction of the new church at Bienville will commence early this month.—Berlinquet & Lemay, architects, have prepared plans for a colonnade to mask the extremity of Archevêché avenue. The plans have been accepted and the work will be commenced shortly.-The interior of Maurice chapel will be completely refinished. The architects, Tanguay & Vallee, are completing plans.

Winnipeg, Man.—It is stated that a new four-roomed school building will be erected on the Wellington street school site this summer.—At a recent meeting of the Board of Trade it was decided to make a strong representation to the Min-ister of Public Works at Ottawa to place a sufficient sum in the estimates for improving St. Andrews rapids.-A meeting of citizens was held last week to consider plans for the erection of an opera house. Five propositions were laid before the meeting by Mr. Brewery. The prospects for its erection are considered good.—The Manitoba & Northwestern Railway Company have requested the Dominion government to grant a subsidy of \$6,200 per mile instead of \$3,200 per mile, which they have found insufficient to finance the enterprise. Should the grant be given, the construction of 100 miles towards Prince Albert is promised at an early date.—The City Council has given notice of its intention to construct macadam pavements on the following streets: Assiniboine avenue, from Main street to Kennedy street, cost \$12,669; York avenue, from Smith street to Kennedy street, cost \$5,347; St. Mary avenue, from Main street foot \$1,000 for the foot Main street to Donald street, cost \$4,109; Graham avenue, from Main street to Donald street, cost \$4,109; Ellice avenue, from Notre Dame avenue to Donald street, cost \$2.377; Market street, from Main street to Bertha street, cost \$3,630; Kennedy street, from Assiniboine avonue to Broadway, cost \$5,482; Donald street, from Assiniboine avenue to Portage avenue, cost \$14,710.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Catholic free-holders of St. Lambert have authorized an expenditure of \$6,000 for the erection of a new church upon the land recently purchased.—The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. have finished plans for the east-end station, work on which will shortly be commenced.—The selection of a site for the proposed No. 7 fire station, Dalhousie Square, has not yet been made by the fire committee.—The erection of a new building for the chemistry, mining and architectural departments of McGill University will in all probability be commenced this year. It is hoped that the building will be completed for the

opening of the college term in October of The chemical and mining laboratories of the new structure will be equipped with the latest and most improved apparatus.— Mr. W. Johnston, of the Dominion Cold Storage Company, will request the Dominion government to guarantee interest at 4 per cent. on \$500,000 for ten years, to enable the company to erect cold storage warehouses in different cities .- W. E. Doran, architect, is preparing plans for tenement brick buildings on Campeau street for Mr. Vicent.—C. Dufort, architect, is preparing plans for a summer villa at Beauharnois for Estate Hon. C. S. Rodier. The building will cost about \$7,000. The construction will be 2 in plant lined with pressed tion will be 3 in. plank lined with pressed brick, roof will be of slate and galvanized iron. Tenders will be called shortly.—J. & H. C. Nelson, architects, Notre Dame street, are preparing plans for a first-class residence, two and a half stories, stone front, on Laval avenue. Tenders will be invited at an early date.—G. A. Monette, architect, is preparing plans for three two-storey tenement buildings, brick front, for J. P. St. Denis, St. Gabriel.—A building permit has been granted to Mr. J. A. Madore, for two stores and dwellings, corner St. Catherine and Descry streets. -L. R. Montbriant, architect, has prepared plans and is receiving tenders for the following works: Two three storey stone and brick tenement buildings on Beaudry street for Mde. M. Lapierre, and one store and dwelling, stone front, three stories, on St. Denis street, for A. R. Archambault.—C. N. Armstrong, managing director, writes that plans for the pro-posed bridge over the St. Lawrence river, from Montreal to Longueuil, are now being considered, but it will be a month or two before steps are taken in connection with construction.

TORONTO, ONT.—Tenders are invited by Morgan Baldwin, harbor master, until Tuesday, the 17th mst., for sundry repairs to the sheet piling and breakwater at the Queen's wharf. Plans may be seen at the harbor master's office, Board of Trade building .- The Lieutenant Governor in council has approved of the by-law to provide \$15,000 for the island waterworks system. Work will therefore be pro-ceeded with at once.—The following bills have been read a third time by the On-tario legislature: respecting the Sault Ste. Marie & Hudson Bay Railway Co.; respecting the London Street Railway Co.; to amend the act incorporating the Ontario, Belmont & Northern Railway Second readings have been given to the bills incorporating the South Essex Electric Railway Co., and respecting the Hamilton Electric Radial Railway Co .-The report of the Committee on Manufacturers, recoinmending that P. McIatosh & Son be granted a fixed assessment of \$50,000 on the old street railway stables, to be used for manufacturing purposes, has been referred back by the City Council. The firm agree to spend \$20,000 Council. The firm agree to spend \$20,000 on machinery and \$10,000 on a new building.-The question of the erection of a large hotel on the old Upper Canada College grounds is again under consideration. The site is owned by the University authorities and the Ontario government. The promoters are: Edward Gurney, J. W. Langmuir, E. B. Osler, Robert Glockling, W. D. Matthews, George H. Bertram, John Dryman, W. T. Murray, S. Caldecott, H. P. Dwight, Robert Jaffray and T. Roper.—Mr. Geo. W. Gouinlock, architect, King street east, has invited tenders for the excavation required for an addition to the Foresters' Temple, corner Bay and Richmond streets. This addition will face o'. Bay street, and will be heated by steam; cost upwards of \$70,000. Tenders for construction will be asked during the present month.—The Clerk of East Toronto has been instructed to prepare a by-law for raising \$10,000 by the issue of debentures.—A committee of the City Council have resolved to rent the old drill shed and adjoining lot to the Do-minion Cold Storage Company for the establishment of a warehouse. The comestablishment of a warehouse. pany propose erecting a five-storey building, at an expenditure of \$150,000. Mr. McGregor is manager.

FIRES.

The store of Richard Tackaberry, at Lion's Head, Ont., was destroyed by fire on the 26th of March. Insurance \$2,000. on the 26th of March. Insurance \$2,000.

The printing office of the Sault Express at Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., was burned on Saturday last. Total loss, \$8,000.—The Queen's hotel at Teeswater, Ont., owned by George Lafrance, was burned last week. Loss on building, \$2,000.—The Graham property at Odessa, Ont., owned by John McDonald, has been burned.— Fire at Weymouth, N. S., on the 25th inst., destroyed Charles Burrill & Co.'s general store, loss \$50,000, two houses belonging to Henry Oakes, and the sample rooms of the Goodwin hotel. The hotel and G. D. Campbell's store were badly damaged.—The Commercial hotel at Thurso, Que., has been totally destroyed by fire.—Dalglish's woollen mill at Ottawa, Ont., was consumed by fire on the 17th ult. The loss will reach \$15,000. principally on machinery. The building will be promptly rebuilt.—At Lockport, N. S., on the 28th uttimo, fire destroyed eleven buildings, among which were the the following: Churchill & Co.'s dry goods store; three buildings belonging to the estate of Mrs H. Locke, and Mr. Payzant's tin shop. The total loss is \$35,000, largely covered by insurance.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

ST. CATHARINES, ONT. — Nicolson Bros. have secured the contract for building a brick residence for James Griffis.

GALT, ONT. - Scott Bros. have the contract for the work in connection with extensive alterations to the store of J. A. A. Menhennick.

STRATFORD, ONT.—David G. Baxter, architect, has let the contract for the erection of a residence for A. Buck, of Mitchell, to Davis & Eizerman.

KEMPTVILLE, ONT .- Martin & Jones, contractors, have been awarded the contract for the erection of a number of dwellings during the coming summer.

TORONTO, ONT.-Purdy, Mansell & Mashinter have been awarded the contracts for the plumbing of the residences of H. B. Moore, Acton, and Geo. Heaven,

VICTORIA, B. C .- The contract for the erection of an operating theatre for the Jubilee hospital has been awarded to Mr. Catterall, at the price of \$3,614. M1. Teague, architect.

TAVISTOCK, ONI.—David G. Baxter, architect, of Stratford, has awaided the contract for heating the Progress House in this town to Clare Bros., of Preston, in this town to Clare Bros., and the mason work to Wolfe & Juehl.

FOREST, ONT .- Contracts for building the St. Join's parsonage have been let as follows: carpenter work, Jos. Johnston, Camlachie; brick work and plastering, Forkin & Simpson, of Sarnia; painting, Yard & Son, Sarnia.

WINNIPEG, MAN.-S. Hooper, architect, has let the contract for improvements P. Gallagher's residence to J. & J. McDermidt, for \$2,200.—The successful enderers for St. Mary's church will be given in the next issue.

SKEAD'S MILLS, ONT .- Contracts for the erection of a new town hall have been awarded by the township council Nepean as follows: masoniy, J. Paik; carpentry, Gilchrist & Buchanan; other trades not yet let. M. C. Eddy, architect, Ottawa.

CANNINGTON, ONT.—C. H. Shipman has let contracts as follows for a brick residence on his farm: carpenter work, J. T. V. May; mason work, Halward Bros. The same contractors have secured the contract for erecting a brick house for John Sackville.

OTTAWA, ONT .- It is reported that James Corry, of this city, is the successful tenderer for the Peterboro' and Lakefield section of the Trent Valley canal.-G. A. Crain has the contract for a \$10,000 brick residence for W. A. Rowley, to be built on lots 18 and 19, Queen street.

GUELPH, ONT.—T. W. Tanner has let contracts as follows for a pressed brick cottage, 32×40, seven rooms, for A. Worswick: stone and brickwork, Rundle & Foster; carpenter work, R. Mahoney & Son; plastering, T. Robinson; tinsmithing, Geo. Howard; painting, Mofcottage, fat Bros.

QUEBEC, QUE.-The contract for the at St Christine, Portneuf, has been awarded to M. C. Emile, Morissette. David Ouellet, architect.—The tenders for the cathedral at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, have been opened, but nothing is known yet. Berlinguet & Lemay, of this cily, are the architects.

KINGSTON, ONT.—Contracts have been awarded as follows for alterations to Steacy & Steacy's premises: carpentering, M. Sullivan; tinsmithing, heating, plumbing, etc., McKelvey & Birch: painting and glazing, Robinson Bros.—Contracts have been awarded as follows for a new building for Wilson Estate, mason work, A. Newlands; metal work, plumbing and gas fitting, McKelvey & Birch; carpenter work, B. Asselstine; painting and glazing, Robinson Bros. W. Newlands, architect.

MONTREAL, QUE. - W. E. Doran, (Concluded on Page 1.)



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The term "Road Metal" is used to designate the material forming the impervious covering of roads and may be composed of broken stone, blast furnace slag, gravel or even burnt clay.

GRAVEL -This is the most common material used in making the country roads of Ontario, and where good pit gravel can be obtained close at hand, it is without doubt the most economic road metal. There is considerable difference in the quality of gravel, that found in the eastern part of the province making a harder wearing surface, as it is composed of fragments of much harder rocks than those found in western Ontario. This, no doubt, partly accounts for the excellence of the gravel roads of the County of Hastings. In the western part of the province where gravel is found at all, it is chiefly composed of pebbles of soft limestone, which quickly grind to powder under heavy traffic, and in some districts no gravel is to be found within a reasonable distance. For these districts burnt clay may be found to be the most economic material for the road covering, but so far, its use seems to be confined to the Western States. For ordinary country roads, unscreened gravel of a depth of ten inches may be used with the larger stones broken by hind and a road covering formed good enough for all practical purposes, but for leading roads a better road may be formed by screening the gravel, although there is some difference of opinion as to the number and size of screens to be used. The following quotation from a treatise on "The Science of Road Making," by Clemens Herschel, M. Am. Soc. C. E., is worthy of note.

"In gravelly soil all the materials that are needed for a good road are frequently on the spot; they only need sorting out and relaying. For this reason a common gravel sieve often constitutes the principal instrument, whose judicious use will make a good road out of a miserable string of ruts and cobbly elevations. It would only be necessary to sift out and separate the soil under the road to a sufficient depth, into cobbles, coarse gravel, fine gravel and sand; then replace them in the order named and with the proper thickness of layers of each; wet down and roll, and the result would be a good road."

Where gravel is scarce or has to be hauled a long distance, an excellent road may be built having a Telford foundation of field stone, on top of which screened gravel is placed in two layers, each to be thoroughly rolled. In this method six inches in depth of gravel is quite sufficient.

Roads of this nature are the favorite ones in Central Park, New York, where Rhoa Hook gravel is used, and "it being more than ordinarily clean and hard, bears an intermixture or adulteration of twenty to twenty-five per cent. of inferior material to perfect its binding properties."

BROKEN STONE.—For leading country roads and town or city streets a better road metal is required than the gravel found in most parts of Ontario, and broken stone will best meet this requirement. Blast furnace slag is also an excellent road metal and is being largely used in the construction of the Rochester, N. Y., boulevards, but the supply of slag in this province is limited to the product of the new smelting works at Hamilton. Rocks suitable for breaking up into road metal should be hard and tough and proof against the action of the weather, qualities not always found together. Co-efficients of quality for various road materials have been obtained by the engineers of the French "Administration des Ponts et Chausées" as given in the following table, where the co-efficient twenty is equivalent to "excellent," ten to "sufficietly good" and five to "bad."

Materials	Co-efficient of Wear.	Co-efficient of Crushing		
Basah Porphyry Gneiss Granite Syenite Slag Quartzite Quartzose Sandstone. Quartz Silex Chalk flints Limestone	12.5 to 24.2	12.1 to 16. 8.3 " 16 3 13.4 " 14.8 7.7 " 15.8 12.4 " 13. 7.2 " 11.1 12.3 " 21 6 9.9 " 16.0 12.3 " 13.2 14.2 " 17.6		

A rougher classification of rocks in the order of their value for road metal is as follows: (1) Basalt or Trap, (2) Gneiss, (3) Granite, (4) Limestone, (5) Sandstone; and it will be interesting to investigate where these may be found in Ontario.

The first three rocks are found in unlimited amounts at most points north of a line drawn from Gananoque to the mouth of the Severn river. Upon reference to a geological map, the best one being that attached to the report of the royal commission on the mineral resources of Ontario, issued in 1890, it will be seen that this line represents the southern edge of the Laurentian area in Ontario. Trap rock, which is no doubt the best for road metal, is said to be found in dykes from a foot or two to forty or fifty feet 'wide in the gneiss near Gananoque, and could, no doubt, be found at many points in the Laurentian of northern Ontario, but is most common in the Huronian. In this latter formation near Bruce mines an excellent trap (quartz diabase) is found and is shipped to cities in the United States to be broken up into road metal. It was used last summer in the construction of the Telford roads constructed in Cleveland. Ohio, for the board of park commissioners of that city.

South of the Laurentian area trap, gneiss and granite are found only in the shape of boulders brought down during the ice age and dropped as moraines. Thus along the band of moraines, or rough stony hills, stretching from Trenton to the lower end of the Georgian bay,

plenty of material for road metal may be obtained good enough for ordinary purposes. Scattered over a large part of the western peninsula of Ontario, large boulders may also be found, and if care is taken to exclude the soft limestone and disintegrated granite and gneiss, a fair road metal may be made, often the only kind that can be obtained at a reasonable cost. Plenty of limestones, often hard and fairly durable as road metal, may be found among the Trenton limestones stretching from Kingston to about Bowmanville, and across to the Georgian bay. Some good material may also be obtained from the Niagara limestones along the "mountain" or escarpment between Niagara Falls, Hamilton, and a point near Collingwood, also from the Guelph limestones between Niagara Falls and Southampton. In many of the limestones in this part of Ontario there are cherty bands which would produce excellent material for road metal, and in many of the more rapid rivers considerable accumulations of hard cherty boulders are found.

Although small cobble stones are not desirable for broken stone on account of the smooth water-worn surfaces of the greater part of the product, this objection only holds good to a limited extent when large boulders, often several hundred pounds in weight, are used.

CONCLUSION.—As the best obtainable material for road metal is often the cheapest in the end, further information is required as to where the best rocks are found. No complete geological survey of Ontario has ever been made, and the only information as to the older part of the province that can be obtained is from Sir William Logan's "Geology of Canada" (1683), and this publication of the geological survey is quite out of print and is found only in a few libraries.

The thanks of the writer are due for much valuable information to Dr. George M. Dawson, Director of the Geological Survey of Canada, to Professor A. P Coleman, of the School of Practical Science, and to A. Blue, Esq., Director of the Ontario Bureau of Mines, and it is hoped that the members of the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors will, in the discussion, give much additional information as to the qualities of road metal in actual use throughout the province.

Few people have any idea of the amount of water that will run through a pipe in a given time. If they had, they might probably be more intolerant of water waste and more tolerant of meters—if, indeed, they did not universally demand them, as a matter of municipal economy, and therefore of indirect saving to the pockets of the taxpayers. The following official figures from Bangor, Me, will show how fast water will run through a pipe: With a pressure of 100 pounds there will run through an orifice an eighth of an inch in diameter 270 gallons per hour; through a quarter-inch aperture, 1,080 gallons per hour: through a halfinch, 4,320 gallons per hour; through a three-quarter-inch, 11,160; and through an inch, 17,100. This would be using water pretty fast, and illustrates how much water would run to water in the course of a cold night if a tap were left running wide open.—Fire and Water

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XXX sawn shingles, per i	260	2 70		3 00	
Sawn lath	2 50	2 60	2 50	2 60	
		2 50		2 90	
Red oak. White. Basswood, No. 1 and 2. Cherry, No. 1 and 2. White ash, No. 1 and 2. Black Ash, No. 1 and 2.	37 00	40 00 45 00	30 00 35 ∞	40 00 55 00	
Basswood, No. 1 and 2	28 00	30 00	18 co	20 00	•
White ash. No. 1 and 2	70 00	90 00 35 00		80 00 35 00	•
Black Ash, No. 1 and 2	. 20 00	30 ∞	18 00	30 00	
Dressing st cks Picks, American inspection	10 00	22 00 30 00	16 oo	22 00 40 00	
Three uppers, Am. inspection	ם כ	50 00		50 00	,
BRICE	K—₩ M	_			,
Common Walling	•	6 50 8 00		6 ∞ 8 50	;
		800	8 50	0.00	3
Pressed Brick. Per	M:	16 00			
Red, No. 1, f.o.b. Beamsvil		14 00			Ī
3	• •	900			
Rrown		21 00 24 00			1
Roman Red		30 00			
" Buff " Brown		35 ∞ 40 ∞			
Sewer		7 50			
Hard Building	•	60.			

Toronto. Montreal.	Toronto. Montreal.
Roof Tiles 22 00	Portland Cements
IIIII I III C	Belgian, natural, per bbl 230 240 170 185 Canadian " 230 250 180 185 Roman " 230 250 250 250
Ridge Tile	200 743
rd " " " 800 1200 Hard building brick 650	Superfine " 650 700 800 900
Ornamental, per 100 3 00 10 00	Hydraulic Cements.—
Pad A P. O. B. DON VALLEY.	Uncension, o Ito tro the
Red A 18 00 24 00 Red B 16 00 20 00	Napanee, 11 150 150 Hull, 11 150 250
Red C 13 co 17 00 Trojan and Corinthian 21 co 28 00	Ontario, " 1 25
Pompelian. 22 00 29 00	Keene's Coarse "Whites" 4 50 4 75 4 50 4 75 Fire Bricks, Newcastle, per M 27 00 35 00 15 00 21 00
Athenian and Egyptian 25 0 31 00 Tyrian 35 00 41 00	Fire Bricks, Newcastle, per M 27 00 35 00 15 00 21 00 Scotch 27 00 35 00 19 00 21 00 Lime, Per Barrel, Grey 40
Roman	White to
Red C	Plaster, Calcined, N. B 200
Common insides 6 00	Hair, Plasterers', per bag 83 100
Hard sewers	TARDWARE,
SAND.	Cut nails, 5cd & 6cd, per keg 2 50 2 10 Steel 11 11 11 2 60 2 35
Per Load of 11/2 Cubic Yards 1 25 1 25	CUT NAILS, FENCE AND CUT SPIKES.
STONE.	40d, hot cut, per 100 lbs 255 215
Common Rubble, per toise, delivered	30d, 11 11 11 263 220 201, 16d and 12d, hot cut, per
Large flat Rubble, per toise.	205 225
delivered	80,00, 11 11 " 270 270
Foundation Blocks, per c. ft. 50 50 Kent Freestone Quarries Moncton, N. B., per cu	6d, 7d, " " 295 250 4d to 5d, " " 3 10 270 3d, " " " 3 30 3 10 2d, " " " 403 3 60
ft., f.o.b	3d, " " 3 30 3 10 2d, " " 400 3 60
r reestone, per cu. it., i.o.b. qq	4u to 5u colu cut, not polished
Ballochmyle 80 90 65 75 New York Blue Stone 1 05	or blued, per 100 lbs 3 00 2 60 3d to 5d cold cut, not polished
Granite (Stanstead) Ashlar, 6	or blued, per 100 lbs 340 3 co
in. to 12 in., rise 9 in., per ft. 25 Mont Freestone 60 70	FINE BLUED NAILS. 3d, per 100 lbs
Thomson's Gatelawbridge, cu. ft. 75 80 Credit Valley Rubble, per car	2d, 41 4 4 50 4 10
of 15 tons, at quarry 8 oo Credit Valley Brown Cours-	CASING AND BOX, FLOORING, SHOOK AND TOBACCO BOX
ing. up to 10 inch. per sup.	NAILS. 12d to 30d, per 100 lbs 2 50 2 60
yard, at quarry 175 3 25 Credit Valley Brown Dimen-	12d to 30d, per 100 lbs 2 50 2 60 10d, " 2 80 2 70 8d and 9d, " 2 95 2 80 6d and 7d, " 3 10 3 05 4d to 5d, " 3 30 3 20
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per superficial yard 1 50 2 00 2 15 Credit Valley Grey Dimension, per cubic foot 60 75	· Yinishing Nails.
per cubic foot, f.o.b 1 15 1 00 Brown Free Stone, Wood- point, Sackville, N.B., per	2½ t0 2½ " " 3 25 3 10
Cub. II	1½ to 1¼ " " 360 345
MadocRubble, delivered, per toise	124 400 385 1 450 435
Madoc dimension floating, f. o. b. Toronto, per cubic ft. 30 32	SLATING NAILS.
Onio Preestone, from the grapton stone co.'s	5d, per 100 lbs
QUARRIES.	3d, " " 375 335 ad, " " 425 385
No. r Buff Dimension 75 90	COMMON BARREL NAILS.
No. 1 Blue Promiscuous 55 70 No. 1 Blue Dimension 60 75	t inch, per 100 lbs
Sawed Ashlar, No. 1 Buff,	34 " " " 425 366 34 " " 45 435
any th ckness, ter cub. ft 90 105 Sawed Ash ar, No. 1 Blue, any thickness, per cub. ft 75 90	CLINCH NAILS.
Sawed Flagging, per sq. ft.,	3 inch, per 100 lbs. 3 35 2 95 2½ and 2½ " " 3 50 3 10
for each inch in thickness. 06½ 07½ Above prices cover cost freight and duty paid. For	2 and 2 1 1 1 1 3 5 2 2 5
small lots a. d 5 to 10 cents per cubic foot Quebec and Vermont rough	134 " " 450 410
granite for building pur-	1 " 500 460
poses, per c.ft. f.o.b.quarry 33 1 50 For ornamental work, cu. ft. 35 2 0	SHARP AND FLAT PRESSED NAILS.
Granite paving blocks, 8 in, to tain. x6in. x4½ in., per M 50 00	3 inch, per 100 lbs. 375 345 2½ and 2½ " 400 360
Granite curbing stone, 6 in.x	2 and 2½ " " 4 20 3 75
20 in., per lineal foot 70 SLATE.	174 " " 500 460
Rocting (# square).	STEEL WIRE NAILS,
11 purple 00 10 00	Steel Wire Nails, 75 % discount from printed list
u unfading green 9 00 6 00 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	Iron Pipe:
Terra Cotta Tile, per sq 25 00 Ornamental Black Slate Roof-	Iron pipe, ¼ inch, per foot 6c. 6c 77 7 7 7 7 8½ 8½ 8½ 8½ 8½ 8½ 8½ 8½ 8½ 8½ 8½ 8½ 8½
ing 8 50	81/2 81/2
PAINTS. (In oil, V lb.	11 11 34 11 11 12 12 12 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11
White lead, Can., per 100 lbs. 6 25 5 50 5 50 6 00	11 11 124 11 1 24 24
Ked lead, Eng 400 500 450 500	<u>11 1 2 11 11 11 143 43</u>
" vermillion	Toronto, 65 per cent. discount. Montreal, 60 to 65 per cent. discount.
" Indian, Eng 10 12 10 12 Yellow ochre 5 10 3 5	Lead Pipe:
Yellow chrome	Lead pipe, per lb
" Paris 20 25 14 20	Discount, 30 % off in small lots.
Blue, ultramarine 16 20 12 48	Galvanized Iron:
Oil, linseed, raw, A. Imp. gal. 54 59 58 59 58 59 58 59 63 62 63 62 63 64 refined, 78 85 75 75	Adam's-Mar's Best and Queen's Head:
Putty 2½ 2½ 2½ 2½	26 guage, " 4½ 5 28 " 5 5½
Whiting, dry, per 100 lbs 75 100 60 75 Paris white, Eng., dry 90 1 25 90 100	Gordon Crowa—
Litharge, Eng 4 5 450 500	16 to 24 guage, per lb 41/4 41/4 26 guage, 41/4 41/4 41/4 28 41/4 5
Umber, " 10 15 12 15	Note.—Cheaper grades about %c. per lb. less
OEMENT, LIME, etc.	Structural Iron:
Portland Cements.—	Steel Beams, per 100 lbs 275 250
London " 2 50 2 75 1 02 2 05	angles, 250 230
Belgian, Josson. artificial. 340 250 265 275	tces, 280 26g
English, artifical, per bbl 260 290 255 265	Sheared stee bridge plate 2 35