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Tenders.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted at the First Annual Meeting of the Province of Quebec Association of Architects, held in Montreal, Oct. 10th and 11th, 1890: "Moved by M. Perrault, seconded by A. F. Duntep, that we the Architects of the Province of Quebec now assembled in Convention being autisfied that the CANADIAN CONTRACT RECORD affords us a direct communication with the Contractors,—Resolved. that was needed our support to it by solved, that we pledge our support to it by using its columns when calling for Tenders."

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Tenders will be received by registered post, addressed to the City Engineer, Toronto, up to cleren o'clock a. m., on TUESDAY, MARCH 8711, 1892, for

A SAWING MACHINE.

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Specifications and forms of tender obtained on and after Feb. 26th, 1892, at the office of the City Engineer.

A deposit in the form of a marked cheque, gayable 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 2½ per cent. over 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 surctice (see specifications), or they will be ruled out as informal.

The Committee do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.

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JOHN SHAW Chairman Committee on Works.

Committee Room, Toronto, Feb. 24, 1892.

TENDERS

Will be received until SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH, for the erection of a FACTORY ON TEM-PERANCE STREET.

CHAS. J. GIBSON, Architect, 91 Adelaide St. East. Toronto.

TO BUILDERS.

Tenders will be received by the undersign till 5 p. m on FRIDAY, MARCH 4711, for t erection of severel cottages on Toronto Island.

LANGLEY & BURKE, Architects, Canada Life Building.

TENDERS WANTED.

Tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned until SATURDAY, MARCH 5TH, 1892, for all trades required in the crection of a brick and stone dwelling at Montreal Junction. The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

JAMES AMESS, Architect.

TO CONTRACTORS.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned until THURSDAY NIGHT, MARCH 38th, for the Mason, Brick, Carpenter and Joiner, Painting and Glazing, and Steel Beams and Cast Iron Column work required in the remodeling of shop front of building north-west corner of Yonge and Queen Sis., Foronto, for P. Jamieson, Esq. Plans and specifications may be seen and all information obtained at the office of the architect,

GEO. W. GOUINLOCK, Architect, 53 King St. East.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily ac-

TENDERS.

Sealed tenders will be received up to February 29, 1892, for the building of an

IRON OR STEEL BRIDGE

IRON OR STEEL BRIDGE
on boundary line between the Iowinships of
Downie and Blanshard, in the County of Perth,
same to be completed by August 1st, 1802.
Span 77 feet in the clear, 80 feet over all, 'quare
abutments, roadway 14 feet in the clear, timber
for the floors and joints to be of best white oak,
Tenders will be opened in the Committee
Room, Stratford Court House, March 1st, at
2 p.m. Bridge Committee do not bind themselves to accept the lowest or any tender.
Tenders to be addressed to

JOHN CORRIE, Bridge Inspector, County of Perth. Stratford, February 16, 1892.

It is a common error to "set and anchor" joists in a wall, so that when a building happens to burn, the joists fall, and pull a part or all of the walls down. Joists should be so set and fastened to the wall that if they burn out and fall, no damage is done to the brick work. There are so many simple ways of using this, they will suggest themse'ves to the builder. In fact, there is very little added to the strength of brick work, by fastening wood work to it. If brick work be wen uone, on true principles, it needs no bracing up with anything, and nothing should be fast-ened to a brick wall that would endanger it in case of fire, or overloading the floors.

CONTRACTS OPEN.

NANAIMO, B.C. - An ice house is to be erected, nt a cost of \$1,200.

SWAN LAKE, MAN, -A bridge will be built this spring across the Pembina river.

VIRDEN, MAN, - Dennis St. Andrews' Society has decided to erect a large public hall.

PEMBROKE, ONT .- A hospital to cost \$16,000 will be erected by the Roman Catholics.

GLENCOR, ONT.-The McKellar House recently destroyed by fire will be rebuilt at once.

CHILLIWHACK, B.C .- Mrs. Knowell is going to erect a two-storey building on Westminster street.

PRESCOTT, ONT .- It is stated that the council will shortly call for tenders for the erection of a new high school building.

MELITA, MAN. - Plans are now being prepared for the proposed new grist mill to be erected by the Melita Milling Company.

PAKENHAM, ONT .- A new church will shortly be erected here. The sum of \$4,000 has been subscribed by five members towards its erection.

BURNSIUR, MAN,-The Burnside Farmers Elevator Company are looking for a suitable site for the erection of a 50,000 bushet grain elevator.

I WEED, ONT.-A by-law will shortly be submitted to the ratepayers to loan the sum of \$5,000 to Mr. G. Easterbrooke to enable him to rebuild his mill.

ST. CATHARINES, ONT.-Mr. S. G. Dolson, architect, has prepared plans for a suitable building for council meetings, to be erected at a cost of about \$4,000.

ST BONIFACE, MAN. -At the last meeting of the town council a by-law to aid the building of a traffic bridge over the Red river was passed th ough its first reading.

FORT WILLIAM, ONT. - Tenders are now being called for the erection of three cottages for Mr. E. A. Morton. Building operations will be commenced in the spring.

WOODSTOCK, ONT .- The Court House Committee will shortly visit the cities of Stratford and Hamilton with a view of deciding on the furnishings necessary for the new building,

ST. IJIOMAS, ONT. - It is said that Mr. Amassa Wood intends erecting a handsome building for the Young Men's Christian Association, costing between \$10,000 and \$15,000.

WELLAND, ONT .- Mr. Nicholls architect, has completed plans for a new separate School building, to cost about \$5,000. Tenders will be called for early in March -Plans have been prepared for a two-storey brick building for Mr. McHattie.

CALGARY, N W.T - The town council has decided that unless private parties accept the bonus of \$3,000 offered for building a grist mill by the 1st of March, the corporation will proceed with the construction of a 150 larrel mill imme diately thereafter

ACTON, ONT -Mr. Geo. Hynds, Chairman Public School Board, will receive tenders until the 10th March for the erection of a four-roomed brick school. Plans and specifications at Mr. Hynd's office. -Mr. H. P. Moore is preparing to creet a new publishing house.

OLD FORT ERIR, ONT. -Plans are being prepaced by Mr. Swan, architect, of Buffato, for a new hotel. When completed the hotel will contain 540 sleeping rooms. The first stores will be built of rock faced Potsdam sandston and the remainder will be frame and shingle.

KINGSTON, ONT. - Archieshop Clean has subscribed the sum of \$3,000 towards the ere non of a new church which is being talked of a Portsmouth. The building will be of out stone and will cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000 The city council has decided to purchase 3,200 feet of hose.

VANCOUVER, B. C .- A seven mile telephone service is to be established by the Hudson Re-Company between Fort Simpson and Green etown. - It is reported that a rich English symilicate proposes buying out the Peters & Ward Chain at Lillooct, B.C., and developing the same on a large scale. Washing will be done by hydrautic power, for which purpose a ditch is to be constructed three miles long, capable of carrying about 2,000 inches of water.

HAMILTON, ONT. -Plans are being prepared for the lower depot of the Incline Ranway .- Mr. Wm. Stewart, architect, will receive until Tuesday, the 1st day of March, for the frection of a brick residence on Main street east. -The City Engineer has decided that a new bottom will have to be put in the James si-cet sewer south of Main street. A building permit has been granted to Win Smith for the erection of a two-storey brick dwelling on Melbourna street, between Locke and Garth streets, 20st \$1,500.-Mr. G. R. Smith has received a communication from the National Conduit Manufacturing Company, of New York city, stating that the company would locate here and erect a factory in return for a bonus of \$4 000.

OTTAWA, ONT. -E. F. E. Roy, Secretary Department of Public Works, will receive tenears until Monday, the 21st of March, for the erection of an industrial school at Brandon, Man. Specifications may be seen at the Department of Public Works, this city, and at the office of W. R. Marshall, architect, Brandon, Man.-A deputation from Rat Portage, Man., recently interviewed the Minister of Public Works for the purpose of orging upon the Government the necessity of completing the improvements in the Rainy river at the Long Sault and Manitou rapids. The sum of \$20,000 will be required for the work. -A syndicate of leading citizens has decided to erect an open house on Wellington St. at a cost of \$120,000, with a seating capacity for 1,600.

WINNIPEG, MAN - The Northern Pacific Rulway Company has decided to extend their line to Vancouver, B.C., and a corps of surveyors has been sent out to locate the line of the proposed railway. - The Building Committee of the Exhibition Association has decided to recommend the expenditure of \$12,000 for improvements, \$5.000 of which is to be expended in increasing the accommodation in the main building, and the remainder in improving the grounds and other buildings - The promoters of the Manitola and South-eastern railway are carrying on negotiations with a view of constructing the line as far as St. Anne's this year.-Plans prepared by Messrs, Langley & Burke, architects, of

Toronto, for a new church have been adopted by the congregation of the First Baptist Church.—Major Jones, United States army engineer, has made a survey of the Red river with a view of estimating the cost of improving the navigation. He reports that the entire cost would be \$860,000. He proposes to create two large reservoirs, which he will accomplish by means of canals and dams, thereby making the river navigable for 615 miles south of Lake Winnipeg.

TORONTO JUNCTION, ONT.—Mr. Smith, of this town, is about to erect a block of four stores in Toronto Junction.

OWEN SOUND, ONT.—A movement has been commenced by the Board of Frade to petition the Dominion Government to build a new post office here.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The Mainwaring syndicate are again petitioning the council for leave to construct an electric milway on Bleury street. -A movement has been started to petition the council to extend Dominion Square from Osborne street to St. James street. The cost of this work is estimated at half a million dollars.-Mr. R. Bickudike has presented a petition to the council asking permission to construct an electric milway along St. James street to Cote St. Paul, and along Craig and Notre Dame streets to Harbor street and thence along St. Catherine street to the eastern limits of Maissoneuve.-The city council has decided to build a bridge across the gulley on the mountain summit,-Mr. J. X. Perrault has petitioned the council for permission to constiuct a narrow gauge electric railway around the Mountain Park.-The City Surveyor has reported that he could not complete the Berri street tunnel plan until he knew whether the street was to be 50 or 60 feet wide. The former would cost about \$66,000 and the latter \$113,000. The Road Committee has decided to report to the council that the Committee had not sufficient funds for the sixty foot scheme.-Mr. C. C. Corneille will erect a residence on Upper Dorchester street,-A. Raza, architect, is preparing plans for five stores and tenements for Ald. A. Dubue on Ontario and St. Constant streets.-The old Rasco Hotel on St. Paul street will be changed into stores and tenements.-C. St. John. architect, is preparing plans for a church at St. Cesaire, P. O .- Perrault & Mesnard, architects are preparing plans for stores and dwellings on Notre Dame street east, for Dr. Thayer and Messrs. E. Belanger, Holpine & Co. They are also preparing plans for a dwelling for Dr. Brossard - J. B. Resther & Son, architects, have completed plans for the new church for the Fathers of the Holy Sacrament on Mount Royal avenue. A large monastry will also be erected on the same site later on.

TORONTO, ONT .- The Board of Works has approved of the recommendations of the City Engineer that a block pavement be constructed on Roxborough avenue, at a cost of \$7,700, and a sewer on Hazleton avenue, at a cost of 31,150. -The Superintendent of Water Works recommends that the brick work and furnace at the main pumping station be repaired. - The Property Committee of the council has appropriated the sum of \$1,200 for the building of stables at Wilton avenue police station.-A deputation from Lindsay recently interviewed the Ontario Legislature, requesting a grant of \$2,000 for dredging the Scugog river at that town .- A new Sunday School building is to be erected in connection with the College Street Presbyterian Church,-Mr. J. S. Powley, of Harbord street, has under consideration the erection of a pair of semi-detached brick houses on his land in South Parkdale. -Building permits have been granted as follows. Scanlan & Normandy, two det. 2-storey and attic bk. dwellings, w. side Dunn 2-storey and attic bk. dwellings, w. side Dunn ave., s. of Home for Incurables, cost \$9,000; Anderson & Sproule, pr. att. 2-storey and attic bk. dwellings, 98 and too Duke st., cost \$7,000. W. Wood, 213 College st., pr. s. d. 2-storey bk. dwellings, s. w. cor. Duftern and College sts., cost \$3,000; J. Clark, 363 Delaware ave., pr. sd. 2-storey and attic bk. dwellings, e. side Gore Vale ave., n. of College st., cost \$4,200. Rogers Bros., det. 2-storey bk. dwellings, 200 Sinceo st., and one dutto in rear facing Queen's Park, cost \$9,000; Chas. Parker, 17 Boswell ave., pr. s.d. 2-storey and attic bk. dwellings, 32 Elgin ave., cost \$4,600; Baptist Church, Walmer road, cost \$4,500; a rough cast Episcopal Church, cor. of Dupont and Christie sis., cost \$3,000; Lanskail & Booth three a-storey and attle bk, dwellings, Pine Hill road, running w. of Rosedale road, cost \$15,000; Robert Brown, eleven att. 3-storey bk. dwellings, John st., n. e. cor. Adelaide st., also three att. same kind, facing on Adelaide st., cost \$3,500.—M. Sheard, architect, Yonge street, wants tenders for the erection of house on Murray street.

FIRES.

Lea's wood-working factory at Moncton, N.B., was burned recently. Loss \$20,000.—The brick building owned and occupied by Charles Stickles and a frame building owned by L. B. Parker, at Stirling, Ont., were burned on the 18th inst. Insurance on Mr. Stickles building, \$1.800.—The residence of Samuel Pagu, of Windsor, Ont., with all its contents, was consumed by fire on Monday last. Loss \$5,000.

CONTRACTS AWARDED.

BRANDON, MAN.—Mr. H. J. Halpin has let the contract for a brick block to Messis. Be l Bros.

PHOT BAY, B.C.—Hamilton Byers, manager of the Galena Trading Co., has let the contract for a two-storey building, 30x80 ft.

PRESCOTT, ONT. — Messrs. Ward & Steele have been awarded the contract for building a new Presbyterian church and manse.

VICTORIA, B. C.—McGregor & Jones have been awarded the contract for building the Victoria brewery, at the price of \$7,000.

LONDON, ONT.—The contract for seating the new Methodist church in East London has been given to Messrs. Pennington & Baker, of Hamilton, for \$9,631.18.

OTTAWA, ONT.—The Government has awarded the contract for building a new steel steamer to the Polson fron Works Company, of Toronto. The contract price is said to be between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

MONTREAL, QUE.—Mr. W. Livermore, architect, has awarded contracts as follows for the erection of two stores and dwellings on Guy St. for Graham Bros.: Stonework, W. Oman; brickwork, T. W. Pest; carpenter work, Simpson & Peel; roofing, Montreal Roofing Co.; plastering, Thos. Phillips, painting, Jas. Kimber & Son; plumbing, John Date. The cost of the building will be \$20,000. — The Road Committee has finally awarded the contract for the Ontario St. subway to the Dominion Bridge Co.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The city council have have accepted the tender of the Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Co., of Toronto, for the supply of 1,000 feet of two-ply Baker hose, with couplings complete, at 75 cents per foot.—The successful tenderers for remodelling the post office are John Clayton for painting and Donaldson & Patterson for carpentering—The Water Works Committee of the city council have awarded contracts as follows for the annual supplies. Iron pipes, A. Gartshore; castings, S. J. Moore, stop valves, Wood, Vallance & Co., stop cock boxes, Nie & Lynch; pig lead, Bowman & Moore, lead pipe, Wood, Vallance & Co.; brass castings, Hamilton Brass Company.

STAIR-TREADS OF LEAD AND STEEL.

Stairways are by no means so important a feature of public and business structures as in the days anterior to the introduction of elevators. But they still have their use, and are well worn, especially the two or three flights nearest the ground. An essential quality in a stair-tread is its durability; and this is said to be secured in a high degree in a tread of recent English invention, made of alternate strips of lead and steel. The lead which gives the foot a firm hold, is cast in grooves in a plate of steel, the latter being specially adapted to resist the wear of travel.

Mr. John Douglas, builder, of Toronto has made an assignment for the benefit of his creditors.

MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

LEGAL DECISIONS AFFECTING MUNICIPALITIES.

MEANING OF "DEALERS."—The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania held, in the recent case of The Commonwealth vs. Teller, that the word "dealers" occurring in the 11th section of the act of April 22, 1846, relating to mercantile taxes, included only such persons as were engaged in the sale of goods, or had a store or warehouse for that purpose in the county where the tax was assessed, and that one who had a place in one county for the storage of goods which he purchased there, while his sales were all made from a warehouse in another county, was taxable only in the latter.

MAKING-UP STREETS,-At the Tunstall (Eng.) Stipendiary Court, Mr. John Grosvenor, builder and contractor, and a member of the Board of Health, was summoned at the instance of the Tunstall Board for the recovery of 56%. 8s. 11d. for private improvements. It was stated that the defendant built a number of houses in Henry Street, and on May 3, 1889, the medical officer reported that the condition of the street was unsatisfactory. On the recommendation of the Sanitary and Highways Committees the propertyowners, including the defendant, were called upon to put the street in order. This they failed to do, and the Board accordingly accepted a contract for the carrying out of the work, and apportioned the cost amongst the owners, the defendant's share amounting to the sum claimed. Mr. Grosvenor claimed that he was not liable on account of work previously done to the street; but the Board contended that the street never was put into a condition that would justify them in taking it over. Mr. A. R. Wood, surveyor to the Board, stated when the owners were called upon to do the work the street was in a bad state, only partially sewered, and not in a condition to give satisfaction to the Board. What had been previously done to it was only sufficient to satisfy the Building Committee in allowing the defendant to proceed with the erection of his houses. Mr. J. Lobley, borough surveyor of Hanley, and Mr. R. Dain, surveyor, gave evidence that it was the practice that before houses were erected in a street, such street was required to be made for the purpose of the buildings, and then, when it was thought that the street would be useful to the public, Section 150 of the Public Health Act was put in force, requiring the owners to make the street in such a way that it could be taken over by the Local Authority. A street as formed for building purposes was not in the condition required by Section 150, and frequently the work done previous to building became so worn that it had to be done over again. For the defence, it was submitted that, though this might have been the practice, the law did not require work of this class, which was once done to the satisfaction of the authority, to be done a second time. Mr. Grosvenor stated that when the street was made in 1874 it was properly made in accordance with the bylaws, and in 1889 his portion of the street was as good as it was after the work had been done by the Board. The Stipendiary held that the defendant was liable, and ordered the amount claimed, with costs, to be paid.

THE FIRE HAZARD.

Whenever a town or small city improves its water supply and adds to its fire extinguishing facilities a little, underwriters are at once importuned to reduce rates, and the reduction demanded is usually to the lowest point. Companies very properly encourage these protective improvements, for it is sound underwriting to fit the rate to the hazard; but we question whether too much credit is not sometimes given to these improvements in the average town. A town of a few thousand inhabitants is usually a pretty combustible town, wooden structures prevailing, and fire department discipline and equipment, at the best, very imperfect. Some of our readers will remember that previous to the sweeping fire which destroyed Spokane Falls on the Pacific Coast, a little over two years ago. the young city improved its water supply, and organized a paid fire department to which it pointed with pride, and that its people and the newspapers loudly demanded a reduction of rates accordingly. In a few days the place was an ash heap. It is well to scan the situation closely from all standpoints before making sweeping reductions on the strength of a few improvements.-Insurance and Finance Chronicle.

PROGRESSIVE STEPS IN IMPROVING PUBLIC HIGHWAYS AND STREETS.

BY JOHN BEERS, C. E.

In all ages of the world's history among the more enlightened races of people, the improvement of the various highways of travel has afforded an important theme for discussion, a great field for experiment and an opportunity for the expenditure of vast sums of money, the public necessity for which has also given rise to a multitudinous amount of legislation.

The great Macadam introduced the broken stone road; then Thomas Telford, the great public benefactor, came with his improved macadam, until now, all over the great broad land, the march of civilization is manifest in the magnifi cent public highways of travel that exist. The cities and towns over the country have also felt the impulse of increased commercial intercourse; have experienced the benefits and seen the increased public health among their citizens, largely brought about by better roads and better streets, until they, too, have expended untold millions in that direction in the way of trying various plans and various pavements, until there, also, we have seen in the busier portions of the cities the gravel, the cobble-stones, the macadam and the Nicholson come and go. They have served their day and purpose. The beautiful clastic sheet aspbalt and the asphaltum blocks came but for a brief interim, to be superseded, under heavy traffic, by the Belgian block, the last only holding its day for one redeeming quality -durability. And now we are on the advent of the vitrified brick pavement, wherein the acme of perfection under all circumstances has been nearer reached than in any other pavement that has ever been devised. Brick pavements have been in use in Europe for over a century; Amsterdam has one over a hundred years old; the Hague has one over thirty-six years old; they are found in Rotterdam and other large cities of Holland; and

yet, nowhere are they so perfect as in hundreds of the cities and towns of America, where they are being used today. In the latter, some of which are seventeen years old, all are in good condition and proving highly satisfactory, and so it has come to stay.

The cost of vitrified brick pavements in most of the nearer cities and towns in this country, all complete, material, labor and foundation, without grading, is from \$1.75 to \$2.25 per square, being among the cheapest known.

This is what we might call an ideal street of the future down the thoroughfare of some large city. It will be a metal floor of iron, covered with an elastic substance, upon which vitrified brick will be paved, and supported with columns, with a large open subway beneath for electric street cars, pipes and wires. The busy world is making great strides in this direction, and the intelligence and enterprise in this country will accomplish wonders; and who knows what the future will bring forth in the next twenty years to come ?--Paving and Municipal Engineering neering.

EASY METHODS OF LAYING SER-VICE PIPES.

At the September meeting of the New England Water Works Association, H. G. Holden, superintendent of the Nashua, N. H., water works, stated that owing to the sandy-loam soil in that city he was enthe sandy-loam soil in that city he was enabled to put in his service pipes at very little expense. In the principal part of the city it is customary to dig a trench from the main to the sidewalk, approximately as long as the proposed service, which is now always galvanized iron, and then tap the main for a corporation cock. A piece of openingh hose, about twenty A piece of one-inch hose, about twenty feet long, is then connected by a union to a corporation cock, and at the other end by another union to a length of galvanized pipe. When everything is ready water is turned on at the corporation cock and the pipe pushed into the earth for its entire length. It is then disconnected and anlength. It is then disconnected and another length added, which is pushed in by the same means. In this manner it is often possible to run as far as fifty feet and save tearing up a lawn. Two men will frequently put is four services in a day, and Mr. Holden estimates that nine-tenths of the supply pipes are thus put in. At Springfield, in this State, the soil is also a sandy loam, and much the same manner of laying services has been used there. The pipes used are turted wrought iron. The pipes used are tarred wrought iron, from one to two inches in diameter. Galvanized iron could not be used, as the pipes so made became filled with rust in two years. J. C. Hancock, superintendent of the water works in that city, recently stated that it was possible to push the pipe from a trench, sometimes for seventy-five or eighty feet, through the earth. Often it was possible to do this without using water. Sometimes it has been found expedient to bore a hole with a long sand auger, and insert the pipe in this.

Construction of Smoke Flues.— One of the greatest evils in brick work, is the careless, imperfect building of smoke flues. There should be no sharp angles or turns in a smoke flue. It should be uniformly and smoothly "pargeta," and no offsets should be left where mortar can lodge and choke the flue, and all smoke flues should be at least six inches from any wood work. Now that terra cotta is cheap and easy to get, it should be used for smoke flues, whenever and wherever

TEST FOR LEAD TIN IN LINING.-The testing of tin piping, or other similar articles for the purpose of determining whether lead is present, is very simple, and may be done by anyone. The *modus* operandi is as follows:—On the tinned surface place some strong nitric acid, and,

with a splinter of wood, rub it over a surface is large as a five-shilling piece, allow it to dry, then two drops of potassium iodite should be dropped on the same place. If the tin contains lead, a bright yellow crust of iodite of lead will form on the spot. -- Specialties.

GLASS ENAMELLED BRICK.

A company for the manufacture of glass enameled brick is about to be organized at Pittsburg, Pa. The patentees of the process are two glass workers of the South Side, ahd it is claimed by them that the brick will be much superior to those used at present. The enamel can be used to at present. The enamet can be used to any thickness and several colors cad be obtained. The works of the company may be located at Saltsburg, Pa. The capitalization will likely be \$50,000.

Peterborough, Ont.

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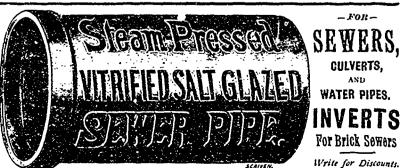
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