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Bridge Contractors

Sealed tenders, endorsed "Tenders for Bridge Superstructure," will be received by H. Gillies, City Clerk, Calgary, until noon on NOVEMBER 15TH, 1904, for constructing, delivering and erecting a 150 foot Steel Truss Bridge in the City of Calgary, Alberta, on foundations prepared by the city.

Specifications and forms of tender may be obtained from the City Engineer.
No tender necessarily accepted.
F. W. THOROLD, B.A.Sc.,
City Engineer, Calgary.

THOS. UNDERWOOD,
Chairman Public Works, Calgary.

TENDERS

Collegiate Institute
Building
GALT, ONTARIO

Separate or lump tenders for the various trades, addressed to Thomas Carscadden, Secretary Collegiate Institute Board, Galt, Ont., will be received until 6 o'clock p. m. of MONDAY, OCTOBER 17TH, 1904, for the erection and completion of a proposed Collegiate Institute Building at Galt, Ontario, to be erected on the site of the present Collegiate Institute Building, formerly the Dr. Tassie School.
Drawings and specifications can be seen, and all other information obtained at Galt, also at Hamilton, Ontario, at the offices of the Architects, Stewart & Wilton.
The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

The time for receiving above mentioned tenders has been extended until 6 p. m. of OCTOBER 31st, 1904.

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TORONTO

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Sealed tenders, addressed to the secretary-treasurer of the board, will be received until

Friday Noon, October 28th, 1904,

FOR

EXCAVATION AND MASONRY WORK

of new school building to be erected on Broadview avenue.

Plans and specifications may be seen and all information obtained at the office of the Board of Education, City Hall. Each tender must be accompanied by the deposit mentioned in said specifications and forms of tender.
The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

L. S. LEVHE, Chairman of Committee.
W. C. WILKINSON, Secretary-Treasurer.



Notice to Contractors

Tenders for Supply of

Cast-Iron Pipe

Tenders will be received, by registered post only, addressed to the Chairman of the Board of Control, City Hall, Toronto, on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 1904, for the supply of 2,000 feet of 16-inch cast-iron pipe, and 6,000 feet of 24-inch cast-iron pipe.

Envelopes containing tenders must be plainly marked on the outside as to contents.
Plans may now be seen and forms of tender obtained at the office of the City Engineer.

The usual conditions relating to tendering must be strictly complied with.
The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

THOMAS URQUHART (Mayor),
Chairman Board of Control,
City Hall, Toronto, October 19th, 1904.

Eudore Begin, Joseph Martin and Joseph Boucher have registered the business of E. Begin & Co., painters, etc., Lewis, Que.

\$35,000 County of Oxford Debentures for Sale

By-Law No. 519 of the County of Oxford provides for raising \$35,000 by the issue of debentures payable in 20 equal sums, including interest at four per cent, per annum of \$2,575.50 on the 1st day of December in each of the years from and including the year 1905 to and including the year 1924. Sealed tenders (marked tender for debentures) will be received for the above issue of debentures or any number thereof addressed to the undersigned until noon of the 13th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1904.

Copies of the By-Law and the conditions upon which tenders are to be submitted, with all necessary information may be had on application by letter to the undersigned.

JAMES WHITE,

County Clerk.

Woodstock, Oct. 10th, 1904.

CONTRACTS OPEN

MEAFORD, ONT.—Clelland & Sons purpose erecting a large wheel-barrow factory during the coming year.

AMHERST, N.S.—The Town Council are looking into the merits of bitulithic pavements with a view to its adoption here.

AMHERSTBURG, ONT.—The ratepayers last week defeated a by-law to raise \$6,000 to purchase a new water-works pump.

SARNIA, ONT.—The ratepayers have asked that George street, from Front to Christina street, be paved with vitrified brick.

CARP, ONT.—The School Trustees have unanimously decided to call for plans and specifications for a new four-room school.

HULL, QUE.—Walters & Son are asking exemption from taxation on a proposed addition to their axe factory, to be 40 x 100 feet.

LONDON, ONT.—Plans of a wharf to be constructed at Collingwood, Ont., may be seen at the office of J. G. Sing, in this city.

THAMESVILLE, ONT.—W. J. Cryderman, Village Clerk, will receive tenders up to November 5th for \$12,500 4 per cent. debentures.

PORT STANLEY, ONT.—A Government engineer was here last week taking soundings in the lake for the construction of a breakwater.

GRAVENHURST, ONT.—The installation of a waterworks system is under consideration, the probable source of supply being Gull lake.

SARNIA, ONT.—Dr. Morrison has purchased property opposite the post office on which he will erect a three-story building next spring.

TEESWATER, ONT.—A by-law granting a loan of \$2,000 to Ayscott Bros., painters, to assist them in extending their business, was carried last week.

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TWEED, ONT.—Hungerford Township Council have passed a by-law providing for the issue of \$3,268 of debentures for building a public school.

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.—John Robinson, City Clerk, has just received tenders for the reconstruction of the Queen street bridge over Muddy Run.

CAMILLA, ONT.—George A. Harshaw, Clerk Township Mono, desires bids by November 15th for purchase of £1,904 sterling Northern Railway bonds.

STREETSVILLE, ONT.—J. J. Mahaffy, Village Clerk, desires bids by November 5th for purchase of \$2,796.57 4 per cent. local improvement debentures.

SLOCAN CITY, B.C.—Word comes from Edinburgh, Scotland, that a company has been formed there for the purpose of building a 100 ton smelter at this place.

BURNS, ONT.—The contract for the Hunter drain in the Township of Mornington has not been awarded and the work may be again advertised next spring.

WOODSTOCK, ONT.—It has been decided to build a new rink near the Congregational church, between Graham and Light streets, to be 150 x 70 feet, cost \$4,070.

TORONTO JUNCTION, ONT.—The Crown Knitting Mill Co. have commenced work on a new factory on Western road south, to be one storey, 250 x 50 feet, brick.

GUELPH, ONT.—At a meeting of the Finance Committee of the City Council last week, it was decided to provide ways and means for the heating of the city hall.

NORTH TORONTO, ONT.—A company is said to have purchased ten acres of land at York Mills Hill on which to build a factory for the manufacture of hygienic waters.

MOUNT FOREST, ONT.—The County Council have decided to replace the bridge over the Speed River, on line between Nichol and Eramosa, with a steel structure.

BRANDON, MAN.—W. A. Elliott, architect, will receive tenders up to Saturday, 29th inst., for installation of a steam heating plant in the Westport school, this town.

RONDEAU, ONT.—The Public Works Department at Ottawa purpose improving the harbor here by building a breakwater extending out from the east pier into the lake.

ARNPRIOR, ONT.—The Diamond Park Mineral Water Co. will probably build new bottling works here next spring and are asking the town for a nominal assessment.

STELLARTON, N. S.—Tenders are invited by D. Pottinger, manager Intercolonial Railway, Moncton, N. B., up to 31st inst., for the erection of a stores and office building at this place.

STURGEON FALLS, ONT.—Michaud & Levesque have had plans prepared for a new block to be built on Main street, but work will not likely be commenced until next spring.

TERREBONNE, QUE.—The Department of Public Works, Ottawa, are asking for tenders by Saturday, November 5, for the erection of a post office building here. Plans at the post office.

LEVIS, QUE.—Tenders for erection of a public building here will be received by F. Gelinias, Secretary Department of Public Works, Ottawa, up to Tuesday, November 8. Plans at office of Mr. Lamontagne, Mayor.

COLLINGWOOD, ONT.—Tenders for construction of wharf here will be received at the Department of Public

Works, Ottawa, up to Saturday, 29th inst. Plans on application to the Post Master.

WALKERVILLE, ONT.—By-laws were carried last week to provide \$5,000 for building a municipal stable and barn, \$22,000 for laying bitulithic pavements, and a further sum for paving Third and Fourth streets.

SPENCERVILLE, ONT.—The Township Clerk will receive tenders up to Tuesday, November 8, for the erection of an iron bridge across the Nation river, also for the erection of a wooden bridge over same river.

PRESTON, ONT.—The town has granted a loan of \$15,000 to the Metal Shingle & Siding Co. to assist them in erecting new buildings. The company will build a fireproof structure near the G.T.R. depot.

STOKES BAY, ONT.—Tenders are invited by the Department of Public Works, Ottawa, up to Wednesday, November 2, for the construction of a wharf and road approach at this place. Plans on application to the Postmaster.

ST. JOHN, N. B.—This week the surveys for the extension of the waterworks system to Loch Lomond will be commenced, under the direction of F. A. Barber, C. E., of Boston. Contracts will be given out in the early spring.

PARIS, ONT.—Charles McArthur has purchased a building lot on Jane street.—The Council have passed a by-law providing for the issue of \$10,000 of debentures for the purpose of extending and completing the electric light plant.

BEAVERTON, ONT.—It is understood that plans are being prepared by the Department of Public Works, Ottawa, for the harbor improvements to be undertaken at this place, for which an appropriation was granted at the last session of Parliament.

ST. PETER'S BAY, P. E. I.—The Department of Public Works, Ottawa, are asking for tenders until Friday, November 4, for construction of a breakwater at eastern entrance to the harbor here. Plans on application to the Postmaster and at the office of J. B. Hegan, Resident Engineer, Charlottetown.

VICTORIA, B.C.—Steps will likely be taken at an early date to erect a new building to replace the present Old Men's Home.—The Canadian Pacific Railway Co. are asking for tenders for the erection of offices adjoining new wharf here. Plans at the office of F. M. Rattenbury, architect.

QUÉBEC, QUE.—The Quebec and Lake St. John Railway Company have made arrangements for the building of a branch line from St. Gabriel to Gosford, a distance of fifteen miles.—The Levis County Railway Co. will likely extend their electric railway to the Chaudière Basin, about two miles up the river, in the near future.

OWEN SOUND, ONT.—Carney Bros., of Marinette, Wis., have submitted a proposition to the Town Council to establish a saw mill here, to be 170 x 60 feet, with separate boiler and engine house, and to cost about \$180,000. They ask exemption from taxation for ten years, and a by-law to grant them this concession will be submitted to the ratepayers early in December.

OTTAWA, ONT.—F. Gelinias, Secretary Department of Public Works, is asking for tenders until Saturday, November 12, for the construction of the Royal Mint building in this city. Plans at the above Department.—The congregation of Stewerton Presbyterian church have in view the erection of a new edifice at the corner of Bank street and Argyle avenue. Particulars from James Montgomery, 710 Gilmour street.

FERNIE, B.C.—The Elk Lumber & Manufacturing Co. have decided to build another large saw mill at this place. The mill proper will be 40 x 220 feet, and the planing mill 60 x 40 feet, with separate power house. An electric light plant will be installed in the mill. O. A. Robertson and F. B. Lynch, of St. Paul, Minn., are president and secretary respectively of the company.—D. McCliment has purchased a lot in West Fernie on which to build a residence.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—It is learned that P. Burns & Co., wholesale butchers and packers, intend building in this city an abattoir, cold storage and pork-picking plant, to cost upwards of \$150,000. The location has not yet been announced.—Mahon, McFarlane & Mahon have made application to the City Council for permission to erect a two-storey block on Lot 14, Hastings street.—Colonel James McNaught, of New York, has under consideration the construction of a railway from Grand Forks up the north fork of the Kettle river for a distance of fifty miles.

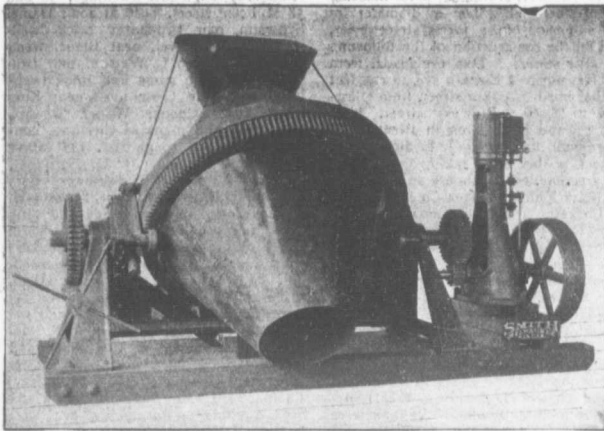
HALIFAX, N.S.—During the month of September there were 26 permits issued by the Building Department for repairs, including one for the Plant Steamship Co., which included a brick office building to replace the burned structure. There were two permits for new residences, one on Bland street, the other on Quinpool Road, to cost about \$2,000 each.—The contract for erecting a brick structure to replace the wooden structure on the Albemarle side of the Royal Engineers' Park has not yet been awarded and the work will not likely be begun until next spring.—It is understood that Pickford & Black are having plans prepared for the reconstruction of their building recently destroyed by fire. The N. & M. Smith Fish Co. have had plans prepared for warehouses to be built on the old site, and G. P. Mitchell & Sons, importers of sugar, etc., will rebuild on their wharf site.

HAMILTON, ONT.—The hospital governors have adopted the report of the special committee which recommended that a by-law be submitted to the ratepayers in January next to raise \$50,000 for the erection of a new wing, the removal of the laundry building and for the installing of a central heating plant.—The Gurney-Tilden Co. have extensive improvements in contemplation. They will tear down the old church building on John street now used as part of the foundry and will replace it with a new structure, and another large addition will be made to the foundry on Rebecca street.—James Dodge will build a concrete block house on Emerald street, between Robert and Barton streets, to cost \$1,500.—It is reported that the Diston Saw Works Co., of Philadelphia, have made arrangements to establish a factory in this city.—The Norton Manufacturing Co. are this week taking tenders for the foundations, brick and carpenter work, roofing, etc., of a three-storey building of mill construction, 60 x 100 feet, to be erected on their property in this city. The architects are Chadwick & Beckett, of Toronto.—J. R. Armes will build a \$1,700 house on Catharine street.

MONTREAL, QUE.—The sum of \$15,000 is required in order to complete the new maternity hospital building, and the general public has been asked to provide this amount.—Tenders are desired by Tuesday, November 8, for construction of substructure of Atwater Ave. bridge at the Lachine canal. Plans at the office of the Superintendent Engineer of Canals.—Plans of post office building to be erected at Terrebonne, Que., may be seen at the office of Lacroix & Piché, architects, this city.—Building permits have been granted as follows: L. P. De

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pre, one two-storey house, Rivard and Mt. Royal ave., cost \$6,000 (J. B. Resther & Sons, architects); Thos. Robertson Co., warehouse, Common street, cost \$6,000 (Shearer, Brown Co., contractors); Leclair Damose, two-storey house, La Salle ave., cost \$1,500 (Pringle & Son, architects); J. O. Gravel, house and store, St. Antoine street, cost \$2,800; Mrs. Ed. St. Germain, three storey house, Mt. Royal ave., cost \$7,000 (C. Brenier, architect); C. DeGuise, one-storey house, Nolan street, cost \$3,000; J. A. Cleroux, three-storey house, Marguerette street, cost \$4,000; Hector Mercier, two-storey house, Breboul street, cost \$2,000; Joseph Sawyer, three-storey house and three stores, St. Antoine street, cost \$3,000; A. Tremblay, two-storey house, Joliette street, cost \$2,000.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—The Department of Public Works, Ottawa, are asking for tenders by Saturday, November 19th, for erection of a post office building in this city. Plans on application to Darling, Pearson & Over, architects.—The City Clerk is this week taking tenders for the supply of two fire engines.—Frank R. Evans, architect, has just taken tenders for the erection of a one-room frame school house at West Kildonan.—The J. H. Ashdown Co. are removing the debris from the site of their burned warehouse and will commence the work of rebuilding as soon as the necessary plans can be prepared. Bulman Bros. are erecting a temporary one-storey building, 100 x 120 feet, on corner of Frances and McDermott streets.—The City Council propose to undertake the following works: Cedar block pavement on lane between Fort and Garry streets, cost \$3,375; asphalt pavement on Sherbrooke street, from Portage Ave. to Notre Dame Ave., cost \$51,070; on Henry Ave., from Main street to Liabel street, cost \$20,600; on Dunsmuir street, from River Ave. to end, cost \$2,160; sewer on Mulvey Ave., cost \$1,260; on Boyd Ave., cost \$4,085; and on portions of several other streets; also a number of granolithic sidewalks.—It is understood that plans for the new Canadian Railway Northern depot have been submitted to the head office for approval.—It is stated that the Henderson Roller Bearing Co. purpose erecting a building in this city.—Negotiations are in progress for an extension of the electric street railway through the municipality of Kildonan to the village of Bird's Hill. The Railway Co. ask for exemption from taxation for a period of 25 years and a franchise for 35 years. They propose

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to build two miles of the road the first year, one mile the second year, and to complete it the third year.—J. H. G. Russell, architect, is this week taking tenders on a brick and stone warehouse for the Clary Manufacturing Co. and for rebuilding and repairing the Dufferin block.—The city is about to invite tenders for supply of the following pipe, etc.: 18 inch pipe, 16,000 feet; 15 inch pipe, 4,300 feet; 12 inch pipe, 18,000 feet; 9 inch pipe, 4,000 feet; 360 junctions, 18 in. by 9 in.; 300 junctions, 12 in. by 6 in.; 300 single wall 6 in. slants; 300 double wall 6 in. slants.—John McRae proposes to erect on Stanley street, just north of Logan avenue, a six-storey warehouse 99x100 feet, brick on stone foundation, of mill construction, cost \$40,000. Plans for same have been prepared by A. & W. Melville, architects, and tenders for erection will be invited within a few days.—The Cusson Lumber Co. have leased six acres of land near the Seine river where they intend to put in a siding and later establish their factory.—James Cadham, architect, is this week taking tenders for erection of an additional storey to the Woodbine Hotel for Lennon & Hebb.—A. & W. Melville, architect, are preparing plans for additions and alterations to the Brunswick Hotel, to cost about \$40,000.

TORONTO, ONT.—Plans of wharf and road approach to be constructed at Stokes Bay, Ont., may also be seen at Mr. Gray's office. Tenders close November 2.—The Council intend to construct a 10-inch tile pipe sewer on Royce ave., from Symington ave. to G.T.R. tracks, at cost of \$1,700.—The Board of Control are asking for tenders up to Tuesday, December 20, for the supply of 2,000 feet of 16-inch cast iron pipe and

6,000 feet of 24-inch cast iron pipe, also up to Tuesday, November 8, for the supply of steel pipe 4 feet in diameter for the extension of the Jarvis street sewer, and for the construction of the following tile pipe sewers: Don esplanade, from 315 feet north of Eastern ave. to 125 feet further north; Arthur street, from Crawford to Shaw; Princess street, from Front to the Bay; Dufferin street, from Fairmount to Bloor.—J. F. Brown, architect, is this week taking tenders for the erection of a warehouse on Bay street for Mark Fisher, Sons & Co.—Chadwick & Beckett, architects, have prepared plans for a factory building to be built in Hamilton for the Norton Manufacturing Co.—Arthur Bryce & Co., 2 Toronto street, want tenders for brick work of five houses, brick fronted and brick foundation.—The Dominion Government is asking for tenders until Wednesday, November 2, for the construction of an extension to the breakwater on south side of the Island. Plans may be seen at the office of H. A. Gray, C.E., Confederation Life Building.—By-laws were carried on Saturday last to provide funds for the improvement and extension of the waterworks system and for the Lansdowne ave. subway and Cowan ave. and Kew Beach fire halls.—Building permits have been granted as follows: T. Taylor, two-storey dwelling, concrete cellar, brick front, rough-cast sides and back, east side Davenport road, near Shanly street, cost \$1,800; Isaac W. W. Pewes, pair two-storey and attic stone and brick dwellings, south side McMaster ave., near Rathnally street, cost \$5,000; Jos. Armitage, two-storey and attic brick dwelling, 149 Arthur street, cost \$2,000; James Lechin, two-storey brick dwelling, west side Dundas street,

near Bloor, cost \$1,500; John Care, two two-storey rough-cast dwellings, 56 and 58 Millicent street, cost \$1,400; Daniel Schwalin, pair two-storey brick dwellings, Concord ave., near Bloor street, cost \$3,000; Geo. C. Watson, pair two-storey and attic stone and brick dwellings, east side Close ave., near King street, cost \$5,000; Walter Stewart, one-storey and mansard dwelling, concrete blocks and rough-cast, 142 Morse street, cost \$1,000; J. D. Farquhar, pair two-storey brick dwellings, Bain ave., near Broadview, cost \$3,000; H. W. Love, two pair two-storey and attic brick and rough-cast dwellings, south side First ave., near Bolton, cost \$6,000; John Adams, alterations to brick dwelling, Maynard ave., near King street, cost \$1,000; James Burford, three 2½-storey brick dwellings, 146, 148, and 150 Howland ave., cost \$7,000; J. F. McGarry, alterations to two-storey and mansard brick hotel, north-west corner Queen and Dundas streets, cost \$5,000; Thomas McLhain, two-storey stone and brick dwelling, 60 Springhurst ave., cost \$4,000; A. Nelson, three two-storey and attic brick and stone dwellings, Manning ave., near Ulster street, cost \$8,000; Mr. Ellis, two-storey rough-cast dwelling, brick veneered front, West ave., near First ave., cost \$1,200; Kent Estate, 7 two-storey dwellings, cement foundations, brick fronts, rough-cast sides and back, corner Maynard and Farley ave., cost \$9,500; William Moss, pair two-storey and attic rough-cast dwellings, concrete foundations, brick fronts, east side Sheridan ave., near Dundas street, cost \$3,600; W. R. Melmer, two-storey brick dwelling, concrete foundation, 302 Ossington ave., cost \$1,500; Wm. Neilson, two-storey factory, 2½-storey dwelling,

two-storey sti side Gladston cost \$15,000; storey stone east corner C ave., cost \$3; storey stone a Close ave. and D. Kirkpatrick Shaw street, 1 Mrs. E. Mal dwellings, 552 cost \$5,000; 1 storey brick d sington ave., pair one-store ing; stone fo lock street, co liams, two-sto ing, east side lege, cost \$2, two-storey rou Carlaw ave., \$4,400; Hartl storey and at lings, Grace cost \$3,000.— purchased the Chambers on dan street, and a large office b Wilkinson, se Board of Educ up to noon of F cation and m building to be e

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two-storey stable, one-storey shed, east side Gladstone ave., near College street, cost \$15,000; J. J. Walsh, five pairs 2½-storey stone and brick dwellings, northeast corner College street and Delaware ave., cost \$30,000, and three pair 2½-storey stone and brick dwellings, corner Close ave. and Queen street, cost \$18,000; D. Kirkpatrick, 2½-storey brick dwelling, Shaw street, near Harrison, cost \$2,600; Mrs. E. Mallord, pair 2½-storey brick dwellings, 552 and 554 Dovercourt road, cost \$5,000; William Patterson, pair 2½-storey brick dwellings, 420 and 422 Ossington ave., cost \$4,300; A. Bathe, pair one-storey and mansard brick dwellings, stone foundations, 10 and 12 Have-lock street, cost \$4,800; Mrs. E. Williams, two-storey and attic brick dwelling, east side Bathurst street, near College, cost \$2,500; Arthur Bryce, four two-storey rough-cast dwellings, east side Carlaw ave., near Queen street, cost \$4,400; Hartley Gibson, one pair two-storey and attic stone and brick dwellings, Grace ave., near College street, cost \$3,000.—Hon. George A. Cox has purchased the old North of Scotland Chambers on King street, opposite Jordan street, and will, it is understood, erect a large office building on the site.—W. C. Wilkinson, secretary-treasurer of the Board of Education, will receive tenders up to noon of Friday of this week for excavation and masonry work of new school building to be erected on Broadview ave.

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BRIDGEBURG, ONT.—New Government building: Vanderburg & Cutler, contractors.
BRACEBRIDGE, ONT.—Construction of wharf: J. H. Baker, successful tenderer, \$3,200.
REGINA, N.W.T.—Three water tanks for fire protection: J. McDougall, this place, contractor.
FORT WILLIAM, ONT.—Livery barn for George Mireault: Hamilton & Fregeau, contractors.
FERNIE, B.C.—Erection of Morrissey bridge over Elk river: George Cody, this place, contractor.
AYR, ONT.—New building for Bank of Commerce: Jerrett & Sons, of Alliston, Ont., contractors.
HARROW, ONT.—Erection of St. Andrew's English church: Andrew Brimmer, contractor, \$2,650.
CAMPBELLTON, N.B. — Dominion Government wharf: C. J. B. Simmons, of Fredericton, successful tenderer, price \$36,000.
PARIS, ONT.—Installing steam heating apparatus in new fire hall and electric light station: Glennister & Co., successful tenderers.

BROCKVILLE, ONT.—The James Smart Co., of this city, have secured the contract for heating Chalmers' Presbyterian church, Toronto, Methodist church at Elgin, Ont., and Presbyterian church at Hanover, Ont.

AMHERST, N.S.—Rhodes, Curry & Co., of this place, have received a contract from the Dominion Government for building a station at Pictou and another at Antigonish, to cost \$40,000 and \$12,000 respectively.

TORONTO, ONT.—Bitulithic pavement on Woodlawn ave., from Yonge street to westerly end: Warren Bituminous Paving Co., successful tenderers, \$7,400. The Central Bitulithic Paving Co., of Detroit, tendered at \$7,415.

VICTORIA, B.C.—Supply of 12,000 feet of cast iron pipe: Findlay, Durham & Brodie, successful tenderers.—F. T. Sherbourne, of Vancouver, has secured the contract for erection of warehouses on the new C.P.R. wharves here, price about \$7,000.

ATWOOD, ONT.—For construction of the Feley drain tenders were received by Elice Township Council as follows: Daniel White, \$1,527; James Macdonnell, \$1,364 (accepted); Wm. Connolly, \$2,078; Daniel Crawley, \$1,494; John Densted, \$1,548; Robert Armstrong, \$1,748.

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Supply of sewer pipe for city: Coleman & Evans, successful tenderers, 6-in. at 15 cents, 8-in. at 21 cents.—For construction of a septic tank at end of Burrard street tenders were received as follows: Ironside, Rannie & Campbell, \$8,825; A. E. Carter, \$7,999; Boyd & Craig, \$6,875; Armstrong, Morrison & Co, \$5,850 (accepted).

FENELON FALLS, ONT. — The Board of Water, Light and Power Commissioners for this village have closed a contract with the Ambursen Hydraulic Construction Company, of Boston, for the construction of a concrete-steel power dam in the Fenelon river for municipal lighting. The dam is 200 feet long and is about 10 feet high. The work was commenced on the 6th instant and will be finished about the 1st of November. E. Bradley, C.E., of Montreal, is the Canadian representative of the Ambursen Hydraulic Construction Company.

WINNIPEG, MAN.—Contract for the erection of the Provincial Agricultural building in this city has been awarded to Snyder Bros., of Portage la Prairie, contract price about \$100,000.—The Council will purchase 1,500 feet of Paragon fire hose from the Winnipeg Rubber Co. at 90 cents per foot, and 1,500 feet of Keystone hose from the Canadian Rubber Co. at 85 per foot.—Darling, Pearson & Over, architects, have awarded the following contracts for J. S. Hough's warehouse on Princess street: Excavation, Winnipeg Construction Co.; brick work, Saul & Irish; carpenter work, J. & J. McDermid; cost about \$25,000.—J. Doliner has secured the contract for foundation of the new Pilkington block. Plans by S. F. & W. A. Peters.

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Canada Process Company, Limited, Toronto, incorporated, capital \$50,000, to manufacture products from all kinds of metals or minerals. Directors, G. L. Sherlock, accountant, G. H. Campbell, manufacturer, and others.

Anyun Fuse & Electrical Company, Limited, Hamilton, Ont., incorporated, capital \$40,000, to manufacture electrical and mechanical supplies and apparatus. Directors, George B. Baby, electrician, William Shaw, locomotive engineer, both of Hamilton, and others.

Senator Mill Manufacturing Company, Limited, Toronto, incorporated, capital \$100,000, to manufacture and deal in machinery for the reduction of rock, quartz, cement, and other refractory substances. Incorporators, James K. Griffin, civil engineer, Wm. St. Clair, machinist, of Galt, and others.

Barclay Hodgkins Lumber Company, Limited, Toronto, incorporated, capital \$50,000, to manufacture and deal in lumber. Directors, C. A. Barclay, lumberman, of Township of Pickering, Oscar Hodgkins and Howard Hodgkins, lumbermen, of Wellandport, Ont., and others.

La Fonderie Generale, Varennes, Que., incorporated, capital \$10,000, to manufacture articles of wood or iron. Incorporators, Albert Bienvenu, J. H. Beauchamp and others.

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The Construction Corporation, Limited, Ottawa, incorporated, capital \$500,000, to carry on a general contracting business. Incorporators, Sir Adolphe P. Caron, Ottawa; J. H. Jewell and H. H. Dewart, Toronto; and others.

BUSINESS NOTES.

Joseph Giard, contractor, St. Antoine, Que., is dead.

Paquette & Gauthier, plumbers, Montreal, have dissolved.

R. W. Kirkwood is a new contracting carpenter at Treherne, Man.

J. Laperriere & Cie, contractors, Montreal, have registered their business.

Greene & Tawne will carry on business in Montreal as wood and stone carvers.

Rudd & Smith, painters, Winnipeg, have dissolved, M. H. Smith continuing.

George A. Ross and David A. McFarlane have registered as architects in Montreal, under the firm name of Ross & McFarlane.

Fowke & Smith, painters, Tisonburg, Ont., have dissolved, Mr. Fowke continuing.

Ovide Lamouche will carry on a contracting business in Montreal under the name of H. Lamouche & Cie.

The business of the Dominion Electric Company, Montreal, has been registered by Marcein Tremblay.

A demand of assignment is reported to have been made upon F. E. Came, railway supplies, Montreal.

George B. Buddo has registered as proprietor of the business of George Buddo & Company, electricians, Montreal.

Brunet & Desjardines, brick manufacturers, Montreal, are announced to have filed consent of consignment, and F. X. Gagnon has been appointed provisional guardian.

The building permits issued in Toronto this year up to the end of September represent a valuation of \$4,566,708, as compared with \$3,317,447 for the same period last year.

The Mitchell Bridge Works, of Mitchell,

Ont., have been very busy during the past summer, having built a number of bridges. They are now building a 60-foot span bridge at Elma, Ont.

Peter Lyall, head of the well-known contracting firm of Peter Lyall & Sons, Montreal, has retired from active business after being connected with the building industry for over 30 years.

Herbert Carmichael, Provincial Assayer, has made an examination of stone quarries near Ladysmith, B.C., for the purpose of making a report on building stone for the British Columbia Government.

The Shoemaker Concrete Tile Company, of Berlin, Ont., are shipping large quantities of concrete tile. They have secured the contract for all the tile required on the Guelph and Goderich extension of the C.P.R.

The first regular meeting of the Mount McKay Brick & Tile Company, Fort William, Ont., was held last week, when the following officers were elected: President, John King; vice-president, H. Shears; secretary-treasurer, E. C. Heywood; manager, K. O. Brune.

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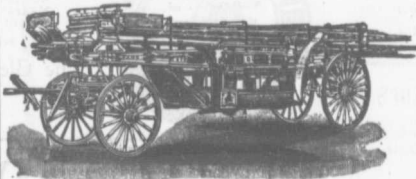
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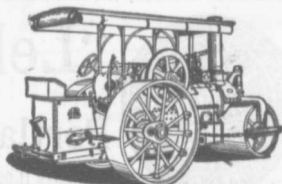


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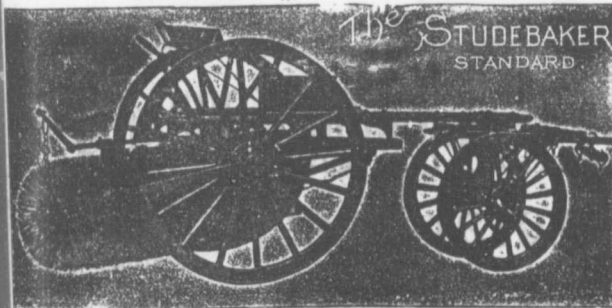
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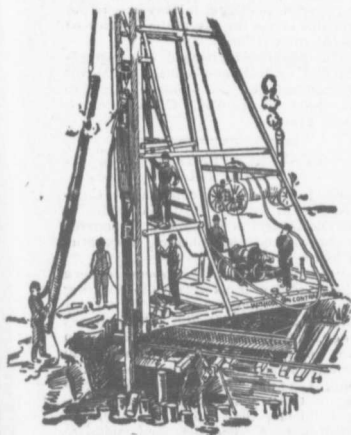
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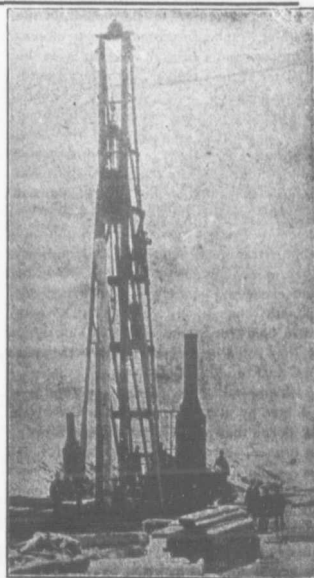
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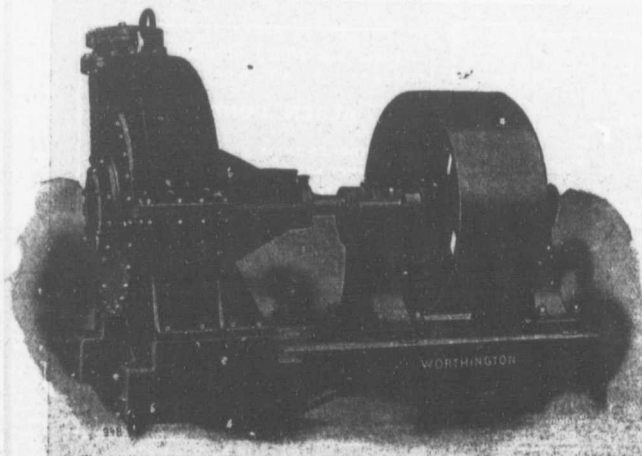
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Having failed to get his concrete ties adopted by the Minister of the Colonies, M. Sarda then applied to the state railway in France, and in March, 1900, sent four as a sample. They were not made entirely of concrete, but what the French call "ciment arme," iron and cement combined. The framework, or skeleton, consisted of five metal plates, placed vertically and held in position by stout iron wire or thin bars. The interstices were then filled in with cement. A thin layer of compressed felt about one-fifth of an inch thick was put between the tie and the boltheads.

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The length of line on which concrete ties are at present used is less than one hundred yards. The greatest weight concentrated on a single pair of driving wheels is about fourteen tons. The rails are eleven metres (twelve yards) long, and weigh thirty-eight to forty kilograms per metre, or from seventy-seven to eighty-one pounds per yard; fourteen ties are used for each rail of twelve yards. The ties are rectangular, with rounded corners and slightly thicker where the shoe irons are placed; the average thickness is about four inches. The weight of each tie is about three hundred and eight pounds, and the cost 14 to 15 francs (\$2.70 to \$2.90). The only means used to reduce shock is the thin layer of compressed felt already described.

It should be mentioned that superficial cracks were noticed in thirty of the one hundred ties when they were laid down, but these cracks do not seem to have spread, for no complaints have been received from the track overseers. The ex-

periment is too recent to enable any definite opinion to be formed, for the usual life of a timber tie in France is about fifteen years, and therefore considerable time must elapse before comparison can be made as to whether cement is superior to timber in its power to resist shock, atmospheric changes, replacement of shoes and bolts, wear and tear, etc. At present it is impossible to say whether any economy would be effected in track labor or material, but in the opinion of the chief engineer of the State railway this is not probable unless the cost of the ties can be considerably reduced.

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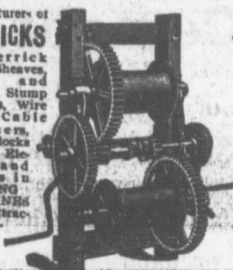
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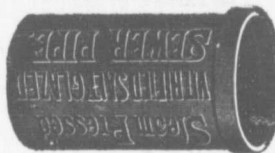
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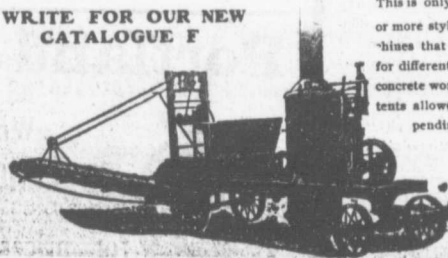
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SANITARY LAWS OF GERMANY.

Sanitary administration in Prussia, as in all German states, is in the hands of the police authorities. The latter are assisted by the municipal physician, and in cities of over 5,000 inhabitants, by the so-called sanitary commission, which is composed of representatives of the city government, physicians, and the chief of local police, who is the presiding officer. The duties of this commission are advisory. Commissions have not been everywhere organized. Their calling together depends upon the chief of police, and they have no power of initiation. A real medical officer of health, in the American or English acceptation of the term, does not seem to exist in Germany. Concentration of authority in the hands of the police leads to personal rather than technical oversight. In Berlin, if a house proprietor finds any of his tenants maintaining dwellings in a filthy state, he is bound to warn them to clean up, and if they fail to comply, to turn them out without any further ceremony. Should the landlord neglect his duty, an officer of the sanitary department will make a visit upon complaint of neighbors, and, if he finds the house filthy, clean it at the land-

lord's expense. This method of dealing with persons of uncleanly habits is pretty effectual in preventing the growth of slums.

NOTES.

The new Waterous engine has been delivered to the city of Montreal and has been given a satisfactory test.

Mr. C. B. Edwards, City Clerk of London, Ont., has been appointed Public School Inspector for that city.

About 3,500 feet of new water pipe has been laid in Peterboro, Ont., this year. The consumption of water is increasing and is now nearly 2,000,000 gallons daily.

While excavating for the new foundation of No. 3 waterworks engine for Toronto, the workmen found imbedded in the old foundation a barrel of cement, which had evidently been inadvertently placed there. When the barrel was broken up it was found that the cement had become as hard as the best quality of limestone.

While men were engaged in cleaning the water main which supplies the low service of the city of St. John, N. B., a burst occurred near the One-Mile House. The pipe which gave way was laid in the year 1857. The salt in the soil had corroded the iron to such an extent that some parts were more like graphite than iron and the pipes were very fragile.

The new municipal building at Barrie, Ont., is rapidly nearing completion and will be ready for occupation, it is expected, by the middle of November. The building is divided into two sections, one part be-

ing utilized for a police court downstairs with cells for the detention of prisoners immediately underneath, while the upper part will be used as a town hall. The other half will house the local fire brigade. The building was designed by Mr. Thos. Kennedy. The Town Council contemplate the installation of a new fire alarm system and the purchase of about 1,500 feet of new hose and other fire apparatus.

The town of Wiarton, Ont., have recently expended about \$18,000 in rebuilding and refitting their waterworks plant. They have built a new pump-house, installed new boilers and a new duplicate pump made by the Canada Foundry Company. They are constructing a new reservoir, to have a capacity of 250,000 gallons. At a test made October 18th, at the farthest extremity of the town from the pump-house, they had a pressure of 65 pounds with the hose on running a one-inch stream, and 100 pounds with the hose off. More than half way across the town the gage showed 95 pounds pressure with the hose on. They boast of a system second to none in Ontario.

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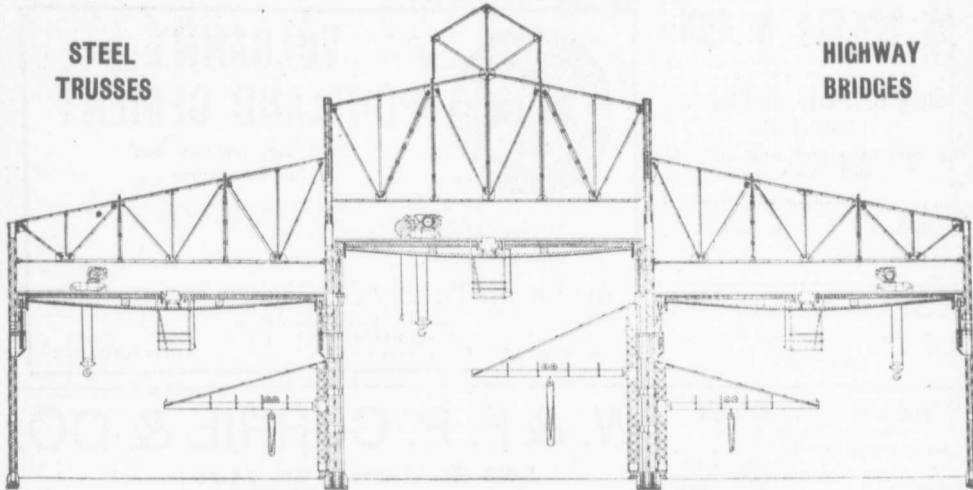
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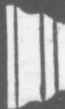
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