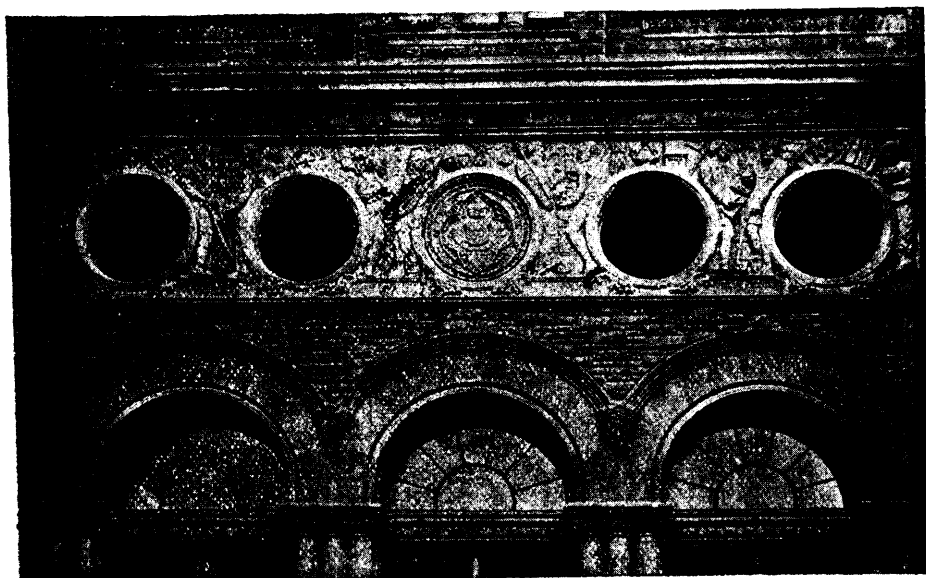


Carpenter work (Lionel Yorke estate)	95,343
Lathing and plastering (A. H. Rundle & Co., Toronto)	37,770
Interior painting and glazing (R. J. Hovenden, Toronto)	23,325
Iron work, etc., (St. Lawrence Foundry Company, Toronto)	54,000
Plumbing, gas-fitting and steam heating (Purdy, Mansell & Mashinter, Toronto)	76,800
Tiling, vestibules and lobbies (Toronto Granite Company)	1,450
Grand staircase, etc., (H. C. Harrower, Buffalo)	21,991
Roof covering (Douglas Bros., Toronto)	44,497
Interior woodwork (Wagner, Zeidler & Company, Toronto)	119,900
Piping in connection with fire extinguishers (W. J. McGuire & Company, Toronto)	1,102

The question of new parliament buildings was first mooted in 1877, and in 1880 the Commissioner of Public Works, the Hon. C. F. Fraser, obtained from the Legislature an initial grant of \$500,000 toward their erection. Before any contracts were let, however, \$250,000 additional was voted in 1885, which was further added to in 1887 by \$300,000, and a final grant of \$200,000 brought the total up to \$1,250,000.

The architect chosen was Mr. R. A. Waite, of Buffalo, with Mr. O'Beirne as the efficient clerk of works. In



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Outer drainage (Garson & Purcer, St. Catharines)	5,490
Four elevators (Otis Bros., New York)	22,000
Fitting up ten vaults (Office Specialty Manufacturing Company)	11,770
Combination gas and electric fixtures (Bennett & Wright)	25,206
Library fittings, etc., (William Simpson, Toronto)	5,199
Decoration of ceiling and walls in chamber (Elliott & Son, Toronto)	4,500
Mantels, furnishings, fittings, etc. (Rice, Lewis & Son, Ltd., Toronto)	3,322
Seating for galleries in chamber, (Chas. Rogers & Son Co., Ltd., Toronto)	3,250
Speaker's dais (Wagner, Zeidler & Co., Toronto)	920

1886 the work of excavation was commenced, and in 1892 the buildings were practically completed, only six years being taken in their erection. The total cost was \$1,250,000, with no extras, as compared with \$20,000,000 spent on the capitol at Albany, \$3,500,000 on the state buildings at Springfield, Ill., \$2,500,000 on the Hartford state buildings, \$1,400,000 on the Quebec Parliament buildings, which are much smaller than the new Ontario ones, \$1,500,000 on the Michi-

+ The Quebec building was before the war, when the war of 1812 had been actually much larger than was now the case of the new Ontario building. The Quebec building was much larger than the new Ontario building.