

market to which buyer and seller may resort for the purchase and sale of these productions.

That Toronto, from its position and accumulated wealth, stands without a rival as the commercial emporium of the Province, and the railroads which are now progressing rapidly towards completion, will assist most materially in drawing the trade from the more distant portions of the country to the common centre; but it behoves the citizens to be active in turning these varied advantages to account, by providing the facilities which, though even now so much required, will then be indispensable for the ordinary purposes of the trade.

Your Committee being fully aware of the daily increasing importance of the trade, of its urgent requirements, and of the vital necessity which exists, to provide without delay, a suitable building in the City, for the purposes of an Exchange, would beg to submit these facts to the consideration of the public, in order that every necessary assistance be afforded them in carrying out the design committed to their charge.

Your Committee have much pleasure in bearing testimony to the general favor which has thus far attended their applications for aid, both in the Town and Country, and they have no doubt, that from the general as well as the individual advantage likely to accrue to those who may engage in the undertaking, they will have no difficulty in obtaining all the assistance they require; but, in order to insure the perfect success of the design, they desire to obtain the general countenance and co-operation of the public, in order, when completed, to make it a place of general resort, and, by that means, to establish it, in fact, as the Commercial Mart and Emporium of the City, as well as of the country at large.

To this end, it is intended to erect a large and commodious building in one of the most central localities in the City, and in addition to the Rotunda or place of meeting "*en 'change*," the public will be furnished with a capacious Reading Room, supplied with all the leading Periodicals of the day—a refreshment room, to be conducted upon the most approved plan, for the comfort and convenience of those who frequent the establishment, with Baths, Barber's Shop &c., a branch Post Office, Telegraph offices, and other conveniences, together with a large number of offices for the use of Merchants, Millers, Brokers, Shipping Agents, Lawyers, and other business men.

That, in addition to the facilities to be afforded by this establishment,