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### Illinois Architects' License Bill.

A BILL providing for the examination and licensing of architects and regulating the practice of architecture has passed the Legislature of the State of Illinois. The bill, which will doubtless have special interest for Canadian architects, in view of the efforts put forth in this direction by the Ontario Association of Architects, will be found printed on another page of this number.

### American Institute of Architects.

THE thirty-first annual meeting of the American Institute of Architects has been called to meet in Detroit, Mich., on the 29th and 30th inst. and Oct. 1st. Among the papers to be presented will be one by Mr. Cass. Gilbert, F.I.A., of St. Paul, Minn., on "Architectural Education and its Bearing on Membership in the Institute;" by Mr. Clipton Sturgis, F.I.A., Boston, Mass., on "Church Architecture," and Mr. H. Rutgers Marshall, F.A.I.A., of New York, on "Architectural Truth." The committee to which was referred amendments to the constitution and by-laws will report numerous radical changes.

### Public Bathing Facilities.

APROPOS of our remarks in a recent issue on the necessity for the erection and maintenance of public bath houses in cities like Toronto and Montreal, it is learned that in upwards of fifty European cities the plan has been adopted of providing bathing facilities in public school buildings. In Berlin and other principal German cities, all new common school buildings are fitted up in this manner. The idea is one which might with advantage be adopted in connection with the public schools in the poorer districts in our Canadian cities. Bathing facilities in connection with the public schools would not do away with the necessity for one or more public bath houses, but would be to the latter a valuable auxiliary in improving and maintaining the public health.

### Builders and Building Inspectors.

THE National Association of Builders and the National Association of Building Inspectors of the United States, which are distinct organizations, are meeting simultaneously in annual convention in Detroit, Mich., at the present time. The subjects which will come up for discussion by the Building Inspectors are: Uniformity of Safe Loads for Building Floors; Adoption of a System of Uniform Definitions in Building Laws; Uniformity of Tests of Steel Construction and Best Methods of Safeguarding the Same Against Fire; Safe Means of