

## ARCHITECT'S REPORT.

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The Architect of the Association, in compliance with the instructions of the Executive Committee, submits the following report :—

At a Meeting of the Executive Committee on the 18th September last, it was resolved to accept the tenders of Mr. Walton for the excavation, masonry, stone cutting, and brickwork,—of Messrs. McBean & Witherow, for the carpenters' and joiners' work—and of Mr. Vale for the smiths' work, at the following amounts, viz. :—

Mr. Walton.....	£4,350	0	0
McBean & Witherow.....	3,150	0	0
C. Vale.....	112	0	0

Making a total amount of.....	7,612	0	0
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At the same time it was deemed advisable to defer the acceptance of the tenders for plastering, painting and glazing, plumbers and gasfitting, and tinsmith's, until the work was further advanced, or the Act of Incorporation was obtained, the total amount of

which is.....	1,886	0	0
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£9,498 0 0

The building was commenced on the 20th day of September last, and in consequence of the favorable state of the weather, a much greater quantity of work was executed before the winter set in, than could have been anticipated, necessarily causing the expenditure for the first three months to be proportionably larger.

As far as the building has proceeded, nothing can be more satisfactory than the manner in which the work has been executed, and the ex-