The Imperial Oil Building, Toronto, Ontario

Imposing Steel Structure Faced With Lime Stone. The Latest Addition to Toronto's Office Structures. Splendidly Equipped and Modern in Every Detail.

THE Imperial Oil Company's building is an eight-story office building, erected on the south-west corner of Church and Court streets, Toronto.

What undoubtedly will appeal to the residents of Toronto, and visitors, is the handsome exterior of this building, the style being an adaption of the Italian Renaissance.

From sidewalk to coping the Church and Court street elevations are of buff Indiana The roofs are covered with tile, and all exterior metal work is of copper.

The tenders for this building were received up to 1 p.m., November 22nd, 1915, and at 4 p.m. the same afternoon the general contract was awarded to the lowest tender.

Work was commenced a week later on the excavation for the basement, which is a depth of twenty feet below the level of the curb.

The column foundations are on rock at an



VIEW OF BOARD ROOM, IMPERIAL OIL BUILDING, TORONTO, ONT.

limestone, and the rear and Court elevations of buff pressed brick.

The window frames and sash, except on the ground floor fronts, which are of steel, are of wood covered with fourteen-ounce bronze on the two street fronts, and of hollow steel on the rear and the court elevations. The sash are all carefully weather-stripped, and are weather and wind proof. All window glass is plate, except on rear and in Court elevations, where clear plate wire glass is used.

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average depth of thirty-two feet ten inches below curb level.

This part of the contract was carried on and concrete footings put in during the months of December and January, and the erection of steel was commenced February 28th, 1916.

The rapidity with which the erection of the steel frame and exterior steel work progressed is shown by accompanying progress photographs taken on March 2nd and April 25th, 1916.