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The annual convention of the Ontario Association of Architects seems to promise some result. The fulfilment of the idea with which the Association was founded, that of making the title "Architect" a degree attainable only by an educational process, was for many years considered to be only deferred for a time; but it seems that there is no near prospect of legislation effecting this end. If the Association is to exist at all it must exist as a voluntary Association, and to those members of the profession who are unwilling that it should cease to exist the idea of a voluntary Association seems to be pleasing enough. The intercourse with each other and exchange of ideas and information, which constitute the main motive of such an Association and are necessary for its life, should, if effectively carried out, be very profitable to its members. But it is no light task to make a success of such an Association among a body of hardworked professional men, who have little time to think when the preparation of a really interesting paper means the expenditure of much time in thought. Yet such things come by practice and the Association is most likely to succeed by boldly launching upon a career of monthly meetings for the discussion of professional subjects. One meeting a year will not fulfil the purpose of a voluntary association in this respect. It would be, of course, necessary to have a sub-committee devoted to procuring the papers for these meetings, and it would be necessary for this committee to be beforehand with its work and arrange for papers a long time before their delivery. If this is done not only will the busiest man have some time for the preparation of his paper, but the principal function of a paper is more likely to be fulfilled. The principal function of a paper is to deal, not with ideas, but with facts. When a scientific man reads a paper upon an eclipse of the sun, an earthquake, or even the brief passing of a tornado, he recites not what he thought or felt but what he said; and an artist among artists or a constructionist among constructionists will similarly give them best