

to be seen everywhere on the outskirts of the city, costing treble what would have been expended five years ago.

It may, however, be said that the number of buildings in course of erection far exceeds that of any previous year, and as only an approximate estimate of their cost can be given, it



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is safe to say that the expenditure on buildings at present under contract will reach to from eight to ten millions of dollars. The Assessment Commissioner reports that the assessed value of property for 1889 shows an increase of fifteen millions of dollars over 1888.