

In the main entrance, the central column, commemorative of Confederation, washed at its base by a mythical sea, stands symbolical of the British Isles, whence sprang our political institutions. It serves to remind us, as well, of what a noted historian has referred to as "The expansion of England", and the other races that have combined to make our Canadian nationality what it is. When completed, the fan-shaped projections of this central column will unite with like expansions from the columns that take their rise from the outer edges of this central court, thereby forming a series of arches symbolical of the several provinces of the Dominion. In this splendid way will be commemorated our Confederation, the unity of the British peoples, and what the Parliament of Canada and the Legislatures of the several provinces owe to the mother of Parliaments in the old land.

The tower which is to be the crowning feature of this structure will be a national memorial to Canada's sons who gave their lives for the world's freedom in the recent war. All Canada will rejoice at this recognition of our heroic dead, the chivalry of our young land. Beneath the stone at its base, laid by His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, in September last, will be found the names of the workmen who have carved the stone, and wrought the iron finishings which are part of this structure.