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THE NEW BUILDING—OPERATIONS COMMENCED.

The numerous friends of the Bible and Tract Societies will be pleased to learn that, at a joint meeting of the Boards, held on the 3rd September, it was decided to remove the old, dilapidated, unsightly building, and rebuild on the same site. Operations commenced on the 15th September, and the contractors are under agreement to complete the new building in February next. In the meantime the Depository is located in very suitable temporary premises, at 48 King Street West, second door east of Bay Street.

The larger portion of the money required for the new building has already been subscribed, and gentlemen, members of both Boards, are now canvassing in this city for further subscriptions. It is earnestly hoped that the Christian public in Ontario will respond nobly to the appeal which has been issued by order of the Boards, and that all the money necessary will be cheerfully given for this most laudable object.

The new building will consist of four stories and basement. The ground floor will be the store, with office, vault and packing-room in rear; the shelving for books (which will be in arched recesses around the walls), the counters, and other fittings on this flat will be executed in cherry. The first floor will contain the Board Room, and the offices of the Secretaries. The second and third floors will be fitted up in apartments for the accommodation of the Depository and family. The building is to be heated with steam. The boiler, coal bins, &c., in connection therewith, being situated in the basement.