

A vote of thanks to Dr. Raymond for the trouble he had taken to furnish the Association with such an able criticism of the law was unanimously carried.

THE CHAIRMAN said it was desirable that the Association should adopt a resolution authorizing the presentation of the petition to the Governor-General-in-Council praying for the disallowance of the Quebec Mining Act, and suggested that the committee appointed at a former meeting be authorized to present it.—Carried.

NOTE ON THE LAW RESPECTING POWDER MAGAZINES IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

THE CHAIRMAN submitted Articles 875 and 876, paragraph 17, Revised Statutes of Quebec, as follows:—

875. Every person keeping a magazine for the storage of powder, or who sells and holds for sale any quantity of powder, must obtain from the Collector of Provincial Revenue a license to that effect.—41 V., c. 3, s. 60; 46 V., c. 6, s. 1.

876. No license can be granted for keeping a powder magazine within the limits of the City of Quebec and Montreal, or within a radius of five miles therefrom, or unless the building be erected according to the following rules:

1. Every magazine shall be built of stone, at least two feet in thickness, covered with a fire-proof roof, made of metal, and adhering to the building by its own weight only.

2. It shall be enclosed, at a distance of at least ten feet clear, by a stone or brick wall at least ten feet high, with a stone coping having a single opening of which the door shall be covered with brass, copper or zinc, and shall be so placed as not to open on any public highway, or on the side on which is the door of the magazine.

3. In the construction of the magazine or in the surrounding wall, only stone, brick, copper, brass, wood, glass, tin, slate, zinc, or leather can be used.

4. It must have but one entrance, to which two doors with copper fastenings shall be placed, one inside and one outside the wall; both made of brass, copper or zinc, or covered with the same material.