

7. Snow.

Number of days on which snow fell. . . . 59

Number of hours during which snow fell 519.45

Depth in inches. 80.4

The last day of the winter of 1860-1 on which snow fell was May 1st; first dō. of 1861-2, Oct. 23rd. There was frost in every month except August.

8. Aurora.

Number of days on which Aurora was visible 16

Number of days on which it was impossible to see Aurora. 199

Number of days on which it was possible to see Aurora. 150

CANADIAN INSTITUTE.

SESSION—1861-2.

FIRST ORDINARY MEETING—7th December, 1861.

Professor DANIEL WILSON, LL.D., President, in the Chair.

E. W. Manson, Esq., Spencer W. Wyndham, Esq., W. Nelson Burns, Esq., and James H. Kerr, (Junior Member) elected provisionally by the Council during the recess, were ballotted for and duly elected.

II. *Donations received since the last meeting of the Institute were announced* (see Annual Report.)

III. *The following Papers were read:*

By Professor Wilson, LL.D.:

"On indications of an Asiatic Origin for the American Race."

By P. Freeland, Esq.:

"Description of Wenham's new Binocular Microscope."

SECOND ORDINARY MEETING—14th December, 1861.

Professor DANIEL WILSON, LL.D., President, in the Chair.

I. *The following Gentlemen were elected members:*

DOCTOR SMITH, Bristol, C.E.

DOCTOR CRANSTON, Arnprior, C.W.

WALTER O'HARA, Esq., Toronto.

II. *The following Papers were read:*

By Professor Croft, D.C.L.:

"Description of Griffin's Gas Furnace."

By the Rev. Professor Hincks:

"On a curious variety of Maize from Oregon, with remarks on some diseased specimens of Maize."

III. The requisite nominations for the election of office-bearers for the ensuing year, were made; and the President announced the Annual General Meeting to be held on the 21st instant, to receive the report of the Council, to elect office-bearers and Members of Council for the ensuing year, and for other business.