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FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING.

City Council Chamber, Halifax, 10th February, 1896.

The PRESIDENT in the chair.

DR. A. H. MACKAY presented for examination by the members of the Institute, a flag of reddish freestone five times the linear dimensions of the reduced photographic representation given below, and bearing on one face a number of very distinct and beautiful dendritic markings representing very closely in general outline the figures and color of some of the finely sprayed, red seaweeds for which they were popularly taken. But, by the ordinary blowpipe tests, the simulated fronds of the red alga turned out to be an oxide of manganese instead of a fossil, and