

- *Prize Essay, Alex. Morris.
- *Canada, by Hon. F. Hincks.
- *Reports 1st and 2nd, Inquiry into Public Income and Expenditure.
- *Report of Inquiry into Public Departments.
- *Political Catechism, in French.
- *Public Accounts for the year 1852.
- *Annual Report of the Post Master General, for the Year ending 5th of April, 1852.
- *Report of Commissioners of Public Works, 1851.
- *Report of Select Committee on Charges against the late Ministry, 1851.
- *Seigniorial Tenure, J. C. Tache.
- *Public Accounts, 1853.
- *Report on the Riot at Chalmers' Church.
- *Report on Accidents on Great Western Railway.
- *Second Report on Public Accounts, 1853.
- *Report on the Management of Public Lands.
- *Report on Agricultural Societies in Lower Canada.
- *Documents—Bureau of Agriculture.
- *Journal of the Transactions of the Board of Agriculture of Upper Canada, No. II., Vol. I.
- *Do., No. III., Vol. I.
- *Roman Catholic Bishop of Toronto, &c., on Separate Common Schools.
- *Seven Letters on the Common School System.
- *Correspondence on Separate Schools.
- *Annual Report of the Normal, Model, and Common Schools, Upper Canada, 1851.
- *Do., 1853.
- *Report on Ice-Bridge at Quebec.
- *Heat and Ventilation, &c.
- *Philosophie des Chemins de Fer.
- *Report on the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Junction Railway.
- *Report on Organizing the Militia.
- *The Upper Canada Journal.
- *Report on Cause of Fire in Parliament Buildings, 1854.
- *Report on North Shore Railway.
- *Report on Admiralty Tariff of Fees.
- *Return—Contracts to the Junction Canal.
 - “ Schools in the Ottawa District.
 - “ connected with the Grand Trunk Railroad.
 - “ Montreal Harbour.
- *Papers—Late Welland Canal Company.
- *Statement of Expenditure of £30,000 in aid of Settling Vacant Lands in Lower Canada.
- *County Lotbinero Election Committee.
- *Report—Catalogue of Books in Library of Legislative Assembly.
- *Orders of the Court of Chancery.
- *Despatches—referring to Seigniorial Tenure in Lower Canada.
- *Estimate of Expenses of Civil Government, 1853.
- *Loose Sheets—The Statutes of Canada.
- *Logan's Geological Survey—Report of Progress, 1848-49.
- *Do. 1850-51.
- *Do. 1851-52.

From the Rev. W. AGAR ADAMSON, D.C.L.:—

- Minutes of the Committee of Council on Education, with Appendices and Plans of School Houses, 1845. Vol. II.
- Do. do. do. England and Wales,
- Schools of Parochial Unions, 1847-8-9
- Do. do. 1848-9, Correspondence, &c.
- Do. do. Correspondence, Tabulated Statements of Grants &c., 1848-49-50, Vol. I.
- Do. do. Vol. II.
- Do. do. Financial Statements, &c., and Reports by Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools, 1850-51.
- Do. do. Schools of Parochial Unions in England and Wales, &c., 1850-51-52.
- Do. do. Correspondence, &c., 1851-2.
- Do. do. do. 1852-3.

From Lieut.-Col. J. H. LEFROY, R.A.:—

- Italian Irrigation, by Capt. R. Baird Smith, F.R.S., Vols. I. & II.
- Magnetical and Meteorological Observations made at Lake Athabasca, &c., by Capt. J. H. Lefroy, R.A.

From the Hon. J. M. BRODHEAD, of Washington, through A. H. Armour, Toronto:—
 Patent Office Reports, 1854, Agriculture.

United States Coast Survey, 1854. Report of the Superintendent. Explorations and Surveys for a Railroad from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean.

The thanks of the Institute were ordered to be transmitted to the donors for their valuable donations.

A Paper was read by Professor Chapman, “On a Convenient Method of Indicating in Crystal Combinations the Relative Positions and Degrees of Development of the Included Forms.”

Annual General Meeting, Saturday, December 15th, 1855.

The Annual Report was read and adopted.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL, 1855.

The Council of the Canadian Institute have the honour to submit to the Members, the following Report of the operations of the past Session, and of the proceedings adopted by the Council with a view to the still more effective furtherance of the objects for which the Institute has been founded.

The Council have much satisfaction in reporting, that the progress of the Institute, as indicated by the number of its members, continues to furnish gratifying evidence of the increasing hold it is acquiring on the Province. Last year the Council drew attention to the fact that the members—who numbered only 112 at the close of 1851, the first year of incorporation—had increased, in all, to 333, and since then we have to report a further addition of 104 members, which, after deducting eighteen, resigned or deceased, make the present number of members constituting the Canadian Institute, 419, exclusive of those of the Athenæum.

In the last Annual Report, the Council referred to the anticipated amalgamation of the Athenæum with the Canadian Institute. This highly desirable union has since been happily completed. A permissive Act, giving the Athenæum full power to effect a junction with the Institute, was passed during the last Session of the Provincial Parliament, and since then the requisite deeds have been executed, and the valuable Library and Collection of Minerals have been transferred to the Canadian Institute. The importance of the addition thus acquired to the Library can scarcely be too highly estimated, as it consists, in all, of 800 volumes, including the Transactions of various of the leading Scientific and Literary Societies of Great Britain, as well as other works of a strictly scientific character. The Council recommend to their successors the duty of completing and continuing the valuable serial publications thus acquired; and of cultivating that intercourse with the Scientific Societies not only of Britain, but of Europe, which may secure an interchange of a class of publications so beneficial to the Institute.

The Minerals added to the Museum, in consequence of this amalgamation, it is believed will also prove a valuable addition to the collections of the Institute; but the difficulties attendant on their removal, and the very brief period that has elapsed since the completion of the requisite legal deeds for effecting the union with the Athenæum, have prevented a minute examination of them; and the Council would suggest the appointment of a small Committee, to superintend their classification, and to report on their nature and value.

The duty will devolve on the new Council to adopt means for carrying out, in the most liberal spirit, the conditions annexed to the acquisition of the Library of the Athenæum, whereby the Institute becomes bound to afford the public free access to the joint Library, under such restrictions as may be found requisite for its safety. In thus establishing a Library