

Ordered, That the thanks of the Institute be conveyed to Mr. Campbell for his communication.

3. By PROFESSOR WILSON, LL.D.:

"On the Traces of the Ancient Miners of Lake Superior."

SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING—*February 2d, 1856.*

G. W. ALLAN, Esq., President, in the Chair.

*The following Gentlemen were elected Members:*

W. R. ROSS, Esq., Toronto.

J. R. WILLIAMS, Esq., Bond Head.

R. H. BRETT, Esq., Toronto.

A. J. PELL, Esq., Toronto.

R. J. GRIFFITH, Esq., Toronto.

R. S. WOODS, Esq., Chatham.

JOHN GLASS, Esq., Toronto.

HON. J. A. MACDONALD, Toronto.

The donation from John Fisk Allen, Esq., of Salem, Mass., was announced, of his illustrated account of the *Victoria Regia*, or Great Water Lily of America.

Ordered, That the thanks of the Institute be conveyed to the donor for his valuable gift.

The President, on behalf of the Special Committee appointed with a view to some fitting recognition of the services rendered to Canada by W. E. Logan, Esq., the First President of the Canadian Institute, reported as follows:

#### REPORT.

The Special Committee appointed to consider the best means to be adopted to mark the sense the Institute entertain of the very valuable services rendered to Canada by W. E. Logan, Esq., both in his capacity of Provincial Geologist, and as Commissioner to the great Exhibitions of London and Paris, beg respectfully to recommend:

That immediately upon Mr. Logan's arrival in Canada, a communication be addressed to him by the Secretary on behalf of the Institute, requesting that he would be pleased to sit for his portrait, to be painted at the expense of the Institute, and hung up thereafter in their Hall: That as soon as possible after Mr. Logan's arrival in Toronto, a special general meeting should be convened, at which that gentleman should be invited to attend, to receive an address to be presented to him by the Institute, expressing the high sense they entertain of the services rendered by Mr. Logan to the cause of science generally, and more especially acknowledging the very great obligations all Canadians are under to him, for having by his untiring energy and perseverance in the discharge of his duties, as one of the Commissioners to the great Exhibitions of 1851 and 1855, contributed to make the mineral resources of Canada most widely and favorably known, both in England and on the Continent.

The Report was adopted, and remitted to the Council to carry out the recommendations contained therein, so soon as Mr. Logan shall arrive in Canada.

Mr. Pell intimated, in furtherance of the same object, that he would be happy to present to the Institute a frame for the contemplated portrait of its former President, so soon as it shall be completed.

*The following Papers were then read:*

1. By JAMES BROWNE, Esq.

"Experiences in Australia; forming the first part of a series of Papers on the Aborigines of Australia."

2. By PROFESSOR KINGSTON, M. A.:

"Mean Meteorological results of Toronto for 1855."