

tion, he was amused at the enthusiasm displayed by some of those who got it up, but who soon became tired of it.

Mr. Pearce spoke of the prosperity of the Biological Section. Not only was there a large amount of work done by the section, but also by the several sub-sections into which it had been divided. If all the other sections of the Institute were as strong as the Biological Section, it would be in a very prosperous condition.

Mr. Browning said the division into sections had worked well in the case of the Biological Section, but not in regard to the other sections. He would like to see some effort made to obtain the Upper Canada College grounds. He supposed, however, that these grounds would go to the University, and was afraid the Institute would not get any part of them. The next question was the sale of the present building and the erection of one in some other locality. He would like to see a building put up that would yield a revenue. They would require one costing about \$75,000. He thought that something could be done in the way of raising funds outside the membership of the Institute.

The following were named a committee to take into consideration the matters relating to the Institute referred to in Mr. Boyle's paper:—The President, and Messrs. Boyle, Pearce, Howland, Houston and Harvey.

SECOND MEETING.

Second Meeting, 8th March, 1890, Mr. G. G. Pursey, in the chair.

Donations and exchanges, 57.

A circular was read from the Committee of Organization of the International Congress of the Geographical Sciences stating that the Congress would be held at Berne, in August, 1891, on the occasion of the festival commemorative of the seventh centenary of the founding of the City of Berne, explaining the objects of the Congress and requesting the co-operation of the Canadian Institute.

Mr. Boyle read a memorial to the Hon. the Attorney-General respecting the publication of certain historical documents, and moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Harvey, and carried:—

“That the Council of the Institute be empowered and requested to present to the Government of Ontario the facts now expressed by them, also to enquire if the correspondence of Governor Simcoe and the military