

tage to have newspaper men attend the weekly meetings, but reporters cannot attend on Saturday night.

Mr. Arthur Harvey would rather look to the labours of the few to form the strength of the Institute than to the accession of the many. He did not think that its prosperity was to be advanced by courting popularity. He referred to the large amount of valuable work that had already been done. He said that Mr. Boyle had not alluded to the fact that it was on the action of the Institute that the Provincial Government had made the grant for archæological purposes. The Canadian Institute of the future should have nothing to do with anything but the consideration and discussion of the subjects which were brought before it. It was on these lines that other important and valuable societies had worked. He had viewed with a good deal of interest the movement that Mr. Howland and his friends had inaugurated for obtaining the Upper Canada College grounds in conjunction with the other societies mentioned.

Mr. Pearce, in reference to what Mr. Boyle had said about handing over the museum to Toronto University, could not agree to the surrender of that portion of it that belonged to the Biological Section. As to the matter of obtaining funds, he recollected calling on 30 or 40 out of a list of 82 merchants, and did not succeed in getting more than five dollars. The efforts for getting up a *conversazione* last year had failed through the inability to raise the requisite funds. He was in favour of a location for the Institute further up town. Somewhere nearer the University would be much more convenient. He recommended that enquiries should be made about the lot on McCaul street that had been referred to.

Mr. Dewar was not in favor of removing to another locality. He thought that one near the University would not be so convenient for strangers in the city. He would like to see the professors and other men of eminence in scientific pursuits attend the meetings and take a more active part in the proceedings.

Mr. Squair: If the Institute was located farther up in the city, and nearer to where he lived, he would attend oftener, but it would not be wise to move for the sake of benefiting some when it may inconvenience others. He was altogether opposed to raising the amount of the annual subscription to ten dollars; he thought four dollars was quite enough. As to the want of prosperity, it would be necessary to look deeper for the causes. This was not a scientific country, and a good deal of the work of the Institute, though valuable in itself, did not interest any large body of the public. He referred to the amount of very valuable work that had been done by the active members. As to the Philological Sec-