

the Building Committee was re-organized during the past year, revised plans have been prepared, and much consideration has been bestowed upon the subject, both by the Committee and the Council. When, however, the requisite preliminaries had been so far matured as to encourage the anticipation of the work being immediately proceeded with, the expectations of the Council were once more disappointed, from difficulties connected with the financial aspect of the question, and the hopelessness of obtaining much additional assistance during a period of such uncertainty and commercial depression as that which now prevails. The Council trust, therefore, that in keeping the Institute free from embarrassment, by postponing the work until another season, it will be conceded to them, that here, as in other cases during their term of office, they have acted for the best interests of the trust confided to their charge.

E. J. CHAPMAN,

Toronto, 5th December, 1857.

Vice-President.

The Report was unanimously adopted.

Prof. Hind, M.A., gave notice of motion,—Saturday, 9th January, 1858,—for an alteration of the Law having reference to the mode of holding the election of office-bearers.

The following resolution was moved by F. W. Cumberland, Esq., and seconded by G. P. Ure, Esq., and unanimously carried :

“That in compliance with the recommendation of the Council, and in cordial recognition of the valuable and zealous services rendered by Dr. Wilson, as chief editor of the ‘Canadian Journal,’ the sum of £120 be placed at the disposal of the Council for presentation to him, in such manner as, whilst expressive of the gratitude of the Institute, may be most acceptable to himself.”

II. A ballot having been taken for officers of the Institute for the ensuing year,

The following Gentlemen were declared duly elected, viz. :

President, the Hon. Chief Justice	DRAPER, C.B.
1st Vice-President,	Col. BARON DE ROTTENBURG, C.B.
2nd Vice-President .	JOHN LANGTON, M.A.
3rd Vice-President,	Hon. W. B. ROBINSON.
Treasurer,	D. CRAWFORD, Esq.
Recording Secretary,	THOS. HENNING, Esq.
Corresponding do.	E. A. MEREDITH, LL.D.
Librarian,	Prof. H. CROFT, D.C.L.
Curator,	Prof. H. Y. HIND, M.A.
Council,	Prof. D. WILSON, LL.D.
do	Prof. E. J. CHAPMAN.
do	Rev. Prof. W. HINCKS, F.L.S.
do	Prof. J. B. CHERRIMAN, M.A.
do	SANDFORD FLEMING, Esq., C.E.
do	J. GEORGE HODGINS, M.A.

The following resolution was moved by F. W. Cumberland, Esq., seconded by R. Spratt, Esq., and unanimously carried :

“That the most cordial thanks of the Institute be tendered to the Officers and Editing Committee of the past year, to whose efficient and zealous services is to be attributed the continued success of the Institute.