

offices, and in which the Society had been accommodated with apartments since the date of its institution, it was necessary to vacate the same: it became the duty of the Council to use endeavours, with a view to procure suitable apartments for the use of the Society, elsewhere. After some research and correspondence on this subject, His Excellency Lord Sydenham was graciously pleased to confer on us the apartments in which the Society is now so well accommodated. If not quite so conveniently situated as was our former locality, we have the advantage of ample and suitable accommodation; and let us hope that it may be of a permanent duration.

Among the benefits likely to accrue to this Society, as well as to the public generally; the Council has to congratulate you on the prospect of a Geological Survey of the Province being effected at no distant period. In the Session of the Legislature which closed in September last, an appropriation of funds was made to the amount of £1500, to carry out this desirable purpose. In conjunction with our sister Society in Montreal, the Council recommended to the Legislature the expediency of providing for the accomplishment of such an useful object. If the execution of this survey be confided to competent persons, (as there is no doubt it will be,) not only will the mineral riches of the Province now lying hidden and unknown, be brought to light; but important additions to Science generally cannot fail to be elicited in Geology, and in its auxiliary branch of knowledge, Palæontology; possibly also in the Zoology and Botany of the remote and unfrequented parts of the country. The accomplishment of such a survey will likewise assist in extending similar investigations made and making in the neighbouring Provinces and States, tending to an uniform and general exposition of the formation of the Earth's crust throughout the northern part of America. A general benefit to the scientific world.