

Section II is subdivided each Section will be ridiculous, for the united strength at a meeting sometimes does not exceed six or seven.

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MY DEAR SIR:—

I beg to thank you for your letter of the 18th, and its enclosure. Dr. Mills' letter is rather characteristic, and in itself, I think, explains the reason why certain Fellows of the Society, like Dr. Macallum and myself, feel strongly the need of the change suggested in my proposal. Dr. Mills states that "as this movement seems to have originated with some who have attended comparatively few meetings, I would ask them to be moderate, perhaps I may say modest, in urging their views at the present time." Now I feel convinced that the reason why we have attended 'comparatively few meetings' is because Professor Mills, in particular, has not performed his duty in the past in forwarding the claims of his biological colleagues for membership in Section IV. I may point out that I myself, Professor Macallum and Professor McEride, (as evidenced by the fact that everyone of us was appointed a Fellow of the Royal Society of London before being elected to the Royal Society of Canada,) were obviously passed over for long years by those who should have striven to appoint to Section IV the recognized leaders in biological, as distinct from geological science. A much better spirit animated our geological confrères, and, so far as I can judge, most of the geologists of any standing in Canada are Fellows of our Royal Society. Indeed, as matters at present stand, there is, it seems to me, an over-representation of geology in Section IV, while there are several first-class biologists, physiologists, zoologists, and pathologists, and I may add, scientific medical men, whom it would strengthen the Society to add to our ranks. If it be a question as to which is of the greater help and service, to retain the association between the geologists and the other biologists, or on the other hand, to strengthen the bonds between, and give adequate representation to, those other branches