

It was moved by John S. Shearer, and seconded by Walter Drake, and carried, that they be acknowledged by the Secretary.

On behalf of the Lecture Committee, Dr. Campbell announced that arrangements for the Somerville Course for 1896 were almost completed.

J. B. Williams, the Curator, announced that the Museum Committee had arranged for a series of Saturday afternoon talks, and submitted the programme.

The President then introduced Sir J. W. Dawson, who gave a most interesting paper, "On Some Older Rocks of the Lower St. Lawrence," illustrated by specimens of fossils, drawings, etc. At the close of the paper, Capt. W. Ross gave some facts regarding a specimen of the head of a fossil whale, and asked Sir William Dawson some questions concerning it.

Dr. Adams referred to the obligations the Society were under to Sir William, and also referred to the advantages of careful observation.

A hearty vote of thanks to Sir William was moved by Dr. Adams, seconded by Walter Drake, and carried unanimously.

The question of a petition against a new saloon in the vicinity was discussed, and it was referred to the Council.

MONTREAL, Feb. 26th, 1896.

The fourth monthly meeting of the Society was held this evening at eight o'clock in the Lecture Hall, Hon. Justice Wurtele in the chair. There were also present E. T. Chambers, J. A. U. Beaudry, F. W. Richards, Geo. Kearley, John S. Shearer, J. B. Williams, Prof. Penhallow, Rev. G. Colborne Heine, Miss Howard O'Keeffe, Albert Holden, G. A. Greene, Edgar Judge, Prof. Adams, Jos. Fortier and the Recording Secretary.