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ago. He is also a member of the Ontario Mining Institute which has done a good deal of work and has assisted in a great measure in framing the mining laws of that province. Perhaps Mr. Brock could suggest who would be the most practical man to give us the information.

Mr. BROCK.—I think that might be left to the president of the Institute. There is a sub-committee of the council of the Institute which deals with these matters, and it is very probable that he would request that committee to select representatives.

The CHAIRMAN.—How large is it?

Mr. BROCK.—Three or four members.

The CHAIRMAN.—Then you think a communication addressed to the president would bring here a fair representation from that body?

Mr. BROCK.—Yes, sir.

Mr. WM. CHISHOLM.—I move that the clerk of this committee communicate with the president of the Canadian Mining Institute and inform him that this committee would be pleased to have any representatives of the Canadian Mining Institute attend the committee at any time convenient to discuss the matters in the resolution.

The CHAIRMAN.—Would you add Mr. Clark?

Mr. CHISHOLM.—I do not think it would be necessary. The president and the secretary of the Institute would know who were the best men to send.

The CHAIRMAN.—Perhaps that would cover it then. Your intention is that a communication should be sent to the president asking him to send one or more representatives.

Mr. JOHN HERRON.—I would think there should be a limit.

The CHAIRMAN.—There is no danger of them sending too many. Is it your pleasure that this motion should pass?

Carried.

The CHAIRMAN.—What date shall we select for our next meeting?

Mr. WM. CHISHOLM.—You might leave it to the chair. In the meantime we might receive a communication from the Institute.

The committee adjourned to meet at the call of the chair.

THURSDAY, April 22, 1909.

The committee met at 10 o'clock, a.m.

The CHAIRMAN.—Some witnesses from outside points are present this morning and although we have not yet got a quorum I think we had better proceed. Mr. J. W. Tyrrell is here for one and we might hear him.

Mr. J. B. TYRRELL called.

*By the Chairman:*

Q. I might say, Mr. Tyrrell, that the object of the committee is to get information with respect to the present condition of mining affairs and the mining regulations and mining laws—to ascertain wherein these laws or regulations are in any way defective and in what regard you would suggest that the committee should make recommendations for their improvement. Perhaps it would be just as well if instead of