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PREFATORY NOTE.

It will be observed that, in preparing the following pages for the Press, I have adopted a different plan from that adhered to in the First Annual Report. The special Papers are given *in loco*, instead of forming an Appendix,—thus preserving continuity in the proceedings.

It need only be remarked further, that I have been indebted for the lucid reports of discussions to Mr. G. B. Bradley, Stenographer, of this city.

WM. J. PATTERSON,

*Secretary Dominion Board of Trade.*

MONTREAL, 15th February, 1872.

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