

all scientific men and educators in British America, we feel that it is above all things desirable that still more intimate and mutually helpful relations should be established with the good heart of that empire, so that the political, social, and scientific power of Great Britain may be more strongly felt in these colonies, we can at the same time extend the most earnest sympathy and lively appreciation to the labors of scientific men in other lands, and can more especially ally ourselves in the closest manner with our numerous and able fellow workers in the United States, who have always been so ready to recognize in our case that bond of brotherhood which should unite all the cultivators of science in every country.

In now resigning the office with which, contrary to my own desire, you have honored me twice in succession, I have only to express my regret that the pressure of other duties has prevented me from devoting more time to the interests of this Society, and my earnest wish that its prosperity in the past, and more especially since it entered on an enlarged career of usefulness in its new building, may prove an earnest of still greater success in the future.

The Chairman of the Council (Mr. A. Rimmer) then submitted the following :—

#### REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

Your Council beg to offer the following report of the proceedings of the past year. They regret to say that even the Society has not been quite free from the effects of the general commercial depression. The number of new members is fourteen, but on the other hand there have been many resignations. The list of members has not been revised for some years, and on careful scrutiny several names have been removed, of whom many have long ceased to belong to the Society.

The debt upon the building is still \$2400, bearing annual interest. The number of ordinary members is about 220, which should represent an income of about \$880; and two new life members, H. Fraser, Esq. and John Molson, Esq., have been added.