

The President's address on the "Problems of the Continents" was an admirable paper, which brings up and introduces a subject of paramount interest and importance. It serves as a preliminary basis for work in connection with the coming meeting of geologists at the International Congress, to be held in Chicago this summer.

Of Mr. W. J. McGee's public lecture, given in the new Auditorium of the Normal School, on the subject, "A Fossil Earthquake," seldom has an Ottawa audience listened to a clearer and more striking bit of inductive reasoning than this lecture. About 300 persons were present, and the lecture was illustrated by stereopticon views. Mr. H. N. Topley kindly assisted the lecturer in this matter.

After the reading of the last paper on the list and programme of Friday evening, three votes of thanks were unanimously passed by the Society.

The *first*, to the President and fellows of the Royal Society of Canada, for their invitation and attention during the Session of the Geological Society.

The *second*, to the Governor General, for his hospitality, and generous as well as the gracious interest he had taken in the meetings.

The *third*, to the Logan Club of Ottawa for its exertions in making the meeting a success.

One interesting feature of these meetings was the presence of the Premier of Canada, the Hon. Sir John Thompson, K.C.M.G., and of the Hon. T. M. Daly, Minister of the Interior and Geological Survey Departments, when Dr. McGee read the paper prepared by Major J. W. Powell, Director of the United States Geological Survey, on the work of that Survey. At the conclusion of the paper Sir John Thompson, Mr. Daly, M. P., and Dr. Selwyn took part in the discussion. The comparative work and usefulness of the Geological Surveys of Canada and the United States was an interesting as well as practical question to statesmen of both countries.

Altogether, the meetings were most successful and teeming with interest. They were brought to a close with hopes of having another similar gathering at no distant date.

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