possession would continue to fructify, they might confidently rely upon additions to them by future Parliamentary Grants, as well as by the increased liberality of individual subscribers when less intruded upon by rival appeals. Having then secured such amount as will suffice for the objects in view, they anticipate the time as not far distant when the Institute may engage in the work free from the risk of debt, and without the apprehension of the depressing and perhaps disastrous influence which such could scarcely fail to have on the Institute.

The Council trust that these views will meet with the entire concurrence of the Members of the Institute, and that the motives by which they were governed in adopting, after the most anxious and mature deliberation, the course of procedure here referred to, may stimulate the members and friends of the Institute to such active co-operation and liberality in their contributions as will justify the construction of the building during the ensuing summer, and enable the successors of the present Council, in presenting their next Report, to congratulate the Members on its speedy completion, if not to present it to them, assembled in their own Hall.

F. W. CUMBERLAND,

Secretary.

Toronto, 6th December, 1856.

AUDITOR'S REPORT, 1856.

We, the undersigned, beg to report to the Council of the Canadian Institute, that we have examined the Cash Book and compared the Vouchers with the items of expenditure recorded, which agree. There appears to be a Balance in the Treasurer's hands of ninety-one pounds five shillings and sevenpence currency, and invested by the Treasurer, upon securities exhibited to us, one thousand three hundred and eighty-nine pounds six shillings and eightpence.

J. STEVENSON, HERBERT MORTIMER, Auditors.

Toronto, 9th December, 1856

The Report was unanimously adopted.

The Chairman having appointed Mr. Sheriff Jarvis and Mr. S. Fleming as scrutineers, the ballot for Election of Officers for the ensuing year was proceeded with, and

The following Gentlemen were declared duly elected; President, the Hon. Chief Justice DRAPER, C. B. 1st Vice President, Professor E. J. CHAPMAN. Col. BARON DE ROTTENBURG. 2nd do JOHN LANGTON, M.A. Srd do D. CRAWFORD. Treasurer. Corresponding Secretary, Thos. Henning. Recording J. GEORGE HODGINS, M.A. Librarian. Prof. CROFT, D.C.L. Prof. HIND, M.A. Curator, Prof. WILSON, LL.D. Council, Prof. CHEBRIMAN, M.A. " E. A. MEREDITH, LL.B. " S. B. HABMAN, Esq., " Rev. Professor Young, M.A. 66 JAMES BOVELL, M.D.