

COMMUNICATIONS.

President Prov. Land Surveyors' Association :

DEAR SIR,—For some time the Canadian Institute has been putting forth efforts to form an Archæological Museum, illustrative of all that pertains to the aborigines of Canada in general, but of Ontario more particularly.

Situated as are most of the gentlemen connected with your Association in various parts of the Province, and having to perform duties that bring before them the topographical features of the country, they are very favourably circumstanced with relation to the procuring of just such information as the Institute requires.

It may also be that many of the members are already in possession of facts bearing upon matters archæological.

In any case, the Council of the Canadian Institute would take it as a great favour if they can in any way enlist the co-operation of your Association for the purpose of locating old Indian village sites, temporary camping-grounds, battle-grounds, mounds, ossuaries, trails, etc.

The council would also be pleased to receive from members of the Provincial Land Surveyors' Association any specimens of Indian relics for preservation in the Provincial Archæological Museum.

Our collection, yet in its infancy, is open for the inspection of your members, all of whom are cordially invited to examine it before they leave the city.

I have the honour to be yours respectfully,

DAVID BOYLE,
Curator.

Toronto, March 1, 1888.

G. B. Kirkpatrick, Esq. :

MY DEAR SIR,—Will you, at the Association meeting next week, bring up the question of Surveyors signing plans of subdivision which have no existence ?

I made outline survey of a 75-acre block. The owner sends me an elaborate plan of subdivision and requests me to register the same. I refuse to do so unless I make subdivision. His solicitor then writes me : " We do not intend placing any subdivision posts, or having any such survey made. The law does not require more than a certificate by a P.L.S." I, of course, refuse to certify, and say that under the circumstances " no Surveyor of any standing would do so." In reply I receive a letter saying, " The plans are registered by this time, so "—etc., etc.