APPENDIX I.

REPORT OF M. MURPHY, C. E., DELEGATE TO THE R. SOCIETY OF CANADA, MAY, 1883.

I HAD the honor, as delegate, to represent the Nova Scotia Institute of Natural Science, at the last annual meeting of the Royal Society of Canada.

At this first annual meeting of the N. S. I. of Natural Science for the session, 1884-5, it is, I presume, expected that I should submit to you, Mr. President and gentlemen, a few cursory remarks on my visit.

I will say, in a few words, my visit to Ottawa was both pleasant and instructive. It was made pleasant by the members of the Royal Society, and instructive by the papers read and the remarks elicited in the discussions thereon.

A delegate from your Institute is treated with all the privileges of a member during the session, he is allowed and invited to enter into the discussion of subjects, so varied that a party wishing to discuss any one subject will be afforded ample opportunity to do so.

I submitted a short paper giving a brief sketch of the life of the I. N. S., Nova Scotia—its operations and exchanges, together with the last printed number of the Transactions.

I have, on behalf of this Institute, as well as on my own behalf, to thank Dr. Lawson and Dr. MacGregor for the manner in which they so kindly treated me throughout my visit. These gentlemen seemed to pay special attention, and in all instances saw that your delegate was neither forgotten nor neglected.