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Provincial Museum, Oct. 12, 1881.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

JOHN SOMERS, M. D., *President in the Chair.*

The following were elected Officers :—

COUNCIL.

President—JOHN SOMERS, M. D., F. R. M. S.

Vice-Presidents—ROBERT MORROW, Esq., AUGUSTUS ALLISON, Esq.

Treasurer—W. C. SILVER.

Secretaries—REV. D. HONEYMAN, D.C.L., F.S.A., F.R.S.C., and ALEX. MCKAY.

Council—J. BERNARD GILPIN, M. D., M. R. C. S. L., WM. GOSSIP, Hon. L. G. POWER, J. M. JONES, F. L. S., W. S. STIRLING, MARTIN MURPHY, C. E., J. R. DEWOLFE, M.D., L. R. C. S. E., EDWIN GILPIN, M. A., F. G. S., F. R. S.C.

ORDINARY MEETING, Provincial Museum, Nov. 14, 1881.

The PRESIDENT *in the Chair.*

Dr. HONEYMAN read a Paper “on the Superficial Geology of Halifax City and County, &c.” The Paper was illustrated by a map.

ORDINARY MEETING, Stairs' Building, Dec. 12, 1881.

The PRESIDENT *in the Chair.*

It was announced by the Secretary that the Council had elected Mr. ALFRED A HARE as member, and Mr. F. H. GISBORNE an Associate member.

Dr. SOMERS read a Paper “On Fungi of Nova Scotia.”—Dried specimens of the various species described were exhibited and examined.

ORDINARY MEETING, Provincial Museum, Jan. 9, 1882.

The PRESIDENT *in the Chair.*

It was announced that Mr. J. D. BURBIDGE had been elected a member by the Council.

Dr. HONEYMAN read a Paper “Geological Notes—Metalliferous Sands.” He also read “Geological Notes”—By Simon D. McDonald, F. G. S., on Cape Rosier, and Sable Island.

Dr. SOMERS, exhibited the Heart of a Moose, and explained its Anatomy.

ORDINARY MEETING, Provincial Museum, Feb. 13, 1882.

The PRESIDENT *in the Chair*.

Mr. ROBERT MORROW, V. P., read a paper "On the Osteology of the *Lophius Piscatorius*." The Paper was illustrated by beautifully prepared skeletons of the *Lophius*, and of a Codfish head, and by duplicate sints of bones.

ORDINARY MEETING, Provincial Museum, March 13, 1882.

The PRESIDENT *in the Chair*.

Mr. WM. B. MCKENZIE was reported as having been elected an Associate member by the Council.

MARTIN MURPHY, C. E., read a paper "On the *Teredo navalis*, and the means adopted in other countries for preventing its attacks on submerged timber." The Paper was illustrated by a large collection of specimens.

ORDINARY MEETING, Provincial Museum, April 10, 1882.

The PRESIDENT *in the Chair*.

The Secretary intimated that the Council had elected as members E. W. Plunkett, C. E., Wm. Gossip, C. E., E. H. Keating, C. E., W. Harrington, M. D.

Dr. GILPIN read a Paper "On the Shore Birds of Nova Scotia." The paper was illustrated by specimens from the Provincial Museum collections, and drawings by the author.

ORDINARY MEETING, May 8, 1882.

The PRESIDENT *in the Chair*.

The following were proposed as members : — Mr. John Douglas, and Mr. John James Fox.

EDWIN GILPIN, F. G. S., *Inspector of Mines*, read a Paper "On the Cumberland Coal Field." The paper was illustrated by a sketch map.

ROBT. MORROW, V. P., read the second part of his paper "On the Osteology of the *Lophius Piscatorius*."

The President read a communication from the Rev. E. BALL, Corresponding member, describing a Fern which was considered new to Nova Scotia. The President concluded with remarks upon the Society's Proceedings.