

Answer

Royal Society of Canada

John G. Bourinot,

Hon. Sec.

Ottawa, 16th October, 1885

Dear Sir William,

I am surprised at Dr. Hunt, above all others, delaying the publication. You will see the powers of the Printing Committee & of its Chairman by reference to page 7 of the Rules enclosed.

The Rules are evidently defective with respect to the time when proofs must be returned, and to the mode of correction.

The members of the Printing Committee are

Dr. Wilson, Sir W. Dawson

Dr. Johnston,

Dr. Peckette

Dr. Chauveau,

Dr. Hunt

W. Macferlane

Of whom two are a quorum (see report of Council vol II

The Committee should have met and
been duly organized, that that is
done there, by no chairman. The Committee
should meet of their own motion, & organize.

The President has no power
himself. I have been attempting
to get a meeting of the Council,
but it seems impracticable just
now. We have one future portion
to consider, as there is no money
granted for the year to come. Dr. Wilson
can't leave at present, & Dr. D.
Hunt I hear nothing whatever. He
has not written me for months.

When do you think we can have a
meeting of the Council? Not before the
Christmas holidays? Members are
not disposed to be bothered at
present, & I think seems too inconvenient
for the majority. Of course we must have
one before ~~the~~ or during the early
part of the session. Will you