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Upon the call of the President, a meeting of the Executive Committee was held at his office in Columbus, Ohio, April 23rd, 1885, to consider several matters pertaining to the interests of the Institute.

The time and place of the next semi-annual meeting of the Institute was the first subject discussed.

A request, accompanied by very strong inducements, was presented from members and citizens of Jackson, Ohio, to the effect that the next meeting of the Ohio Institute of Mining Engineers should be held there.

The invitation was accepted, and Wednesday, June 10th, 1885, was the date set for the meeting.

Andrew Roy was appointed Chairman of the Local committee to perfect arrangements for the meeting and was authorized to select his assistance; as such, he named H. S. Bundy and H. S. Willard, of Wellston, and Isaac Brown, H. L. Chapman, and Moses Morgan, of Jackson.

The President was authorized to expend ten dollars to secure the services of a stenographer for the June meeting.

Making the coal-dust experiments, as per circular "B" of the Secretary was thoroughly discussed, it being decided that inasmuch as the Institute, in its present condition, could not make such experiments as would throw any additional light upon the subject, these experiments should be postponed for the present.
President McMillin presented the following list of subjects upon which papers are to be prepared and read at the Jackson meeting:

- The use of the Orsalt Apparatus in the management of the Blast Furnace.
- The effect of working out Coal No. 6 before mining seams lying above it.
- Can the Long Wall system be used to advantage in thick coal seams when the gob is limited in quantity?
- What has experience taught us respecting the value of the ores of the Hocking Valley Iron Region?
- The lower two hundred feet of the coal measures of Jackson County.
- The advantages in the use of the Diamond Drill.
- The Hocking Valley Sandstone as a building material.

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