

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, 1886-87.

*To the Council of the Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club:—*

From the date of my accession to the office of Librarian to the present time, I have received in exchange for the Transactions of the Club the following, among other valuable publications:— \* \* \*

(The list has been deemed too long for insertion; it enumerates some fifty volumes received from thirty-five of the leading scientists and scientific bodies in Canada, the United States and England, including the Geological Surveys of the two first mentioned countries. Future contributions to the library will, under the present plan of publication, be announced monthly).

Our exchange list requires revision. Certain publications with which we formerly exchanged have ceased to exist. With others, not yet on our list, arrangements could probably be made which would result in several desirable additions to our library.

The free list should also be carefully revised. Not a few who receive our Transactions are so negligent as not to acknowledge the favour. I would suggest that the names of such persons be eliminated from the free list.

I desire to point out that the accommodation provided for our exchanges is altogether inadequate, and steps should be promptly taken to provide an additional book-case large enough to hold not merely the gifts we may receive during the next few years, but also the back numbers of our Transactions.

F. R. LATCHFORD.

OTTAWA, March 14th, 1887.