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## OUR THIRD VOLUME.

At the commencement of the year 1870, when relating the improved prospects of the Entomological Society of Canada, we remarked that we had then safely accomplished our first moult, but still continued in a larval state. Most of our readers will no doubt agree with us in the opinion that we were quiescent long enough between the issues of the ninth and tenth numbers of this volume to satisfy the requirements of a pupal state, and that now we may not be thought guilty of presumption when we say that with the first number of our *Third Volume* we expect to come forth in full imago form. We do not intend to burst upon the astonished vision of the Entomological world bedecked with gaudy hues and full of airy lightness, as a gay butterfly in May; but we may perhaps compare ourselves with more propriety to one of those Orthopterous creatures who gradually develop their full powers, without sudden or striking change, and who keep up their larval appetite and tastes to the end. Did we liken ourselves to Lepidoptera, it might be thought that our only office was to sip the sweets of fragrant flowers, and bask for a brief day in the sunshine of prosperity, free from care or thought for the morrow. As Orthopterous, however, we trust that we are of more substantial build, and that, while we gradually increase in size and strength, we may pursue with straight wing the even tenor of our way—borne along on the winds of science, and gathering as we go a full store of contributions, subscriptions, and aid of all kinds.

So much by way of introduction. Let us now briefly state that the **THIRD VOLUME** of the **CANADIAN ENTOMOLOGIST** will be printed on toned paper, illustrated with frequent wood-cuts, and enlarged to twenty pages a number. The subscription will continue to be as at present, *one dollar* (\$1 25 in U. S. currency) per annum in advance, while subscribers will have the additional privilege of becoming members of "The Incorporated Entomological Society of Ontario," if resident within the Dominion of Canada, or associate members if outside the boundaries of this country. We shall endeavour to issue a number regularly each month, and our aim will be to make our periodical