

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.

PROCEEDINGS FOR THE SESSION 1874-75.

FIELD DAY.

A Field Day to Belœil Mountain was held on the 24th of May, which was very numerously attended. The spring being unusually late, the collections of plants, &c., were not so large as they otherwise might have been. From the summit of the mountain, addresses relating to the geology and history of the surrounding district were delivered by the President, A. R. C. Selwyn, F. R. S., by Principal Dawson and Rev. Dr. De Sola.

The following prizes were awarded during the afternoon:

1. For the best named collection in any department of Natural History.—Captain F. S. Barnjum.
2. For the largest number of species of Flowering Plants, unnamed.—Mr. Rankine Dawson.
3. For the second best ditto.—Miss Grace Lyman.

MONTHLY MEETINGS.

1st Monthly Meeting, held October 26th, 1874.

The Hon. Donald Smith, M. P., was elected a member of the Society.

Dr. J. Baker Edwards exhibited a sample box of materials for chemical experiments, prepared by Dr. May, of Toronto, for the use of schools, and commented on the cheapness of these portable cabinets, and their use to young students.

Mr. Whiteaves then read a paper on the Marine Fisheries and Oyster Beds of the Gulf of St. Lawrence. This will be found (condensed) on pages 336-349 of the last volume of this journal.

2d Monthly Meeting, held Dec. 7th, 1874.

Postponed from Nov. 30th, 1874, that being St. Andrews's Day.

Dr. W. Osler and Messrs. James Fletcher, Arthur Webster, W. Campbell and Thomas W. Evans were elected members of the Society.

Principal Dawson then read a communication on Indian Remains from Lake St. Francis and elsewhere.