

in the evening, in suitable localities would in the morning be found to have secured interesting specimens. At most of the fishing clubs it was pointed out this work could be easily done, and specimens obtained from widely scattered localities. Professor Macoun offered to give information as to the best traps for the purpose, and it was agreed that the Muridæ, the Soricidæ, and the bats formed a most desirable line for the zoologists of the Club.

Samples of beaver work, with chips of wood, and a skull, from the Algonquin National Park of Ontario, were recently displayed in the windows of the Messrs. Orme, along with two mounted beavers from the Fisheries Museum, and they attracted much interest by the general public. The samples of the work of those interesting rodents were sent by Mr. Robert Lett, an employee of the Park, and the following is an extract from his letter concerning them: "I am shipping you to-day two samples of beaver work. The larger of the two shews the tree a little more than half way cut through. The cut was towards the water so that their efforts to float or pull it under water to their house after having cut it up into short lengths would be lessened by a tree's length in distance when it came to the carry. Sample No. 2 shews a tree which has been felled completely. . . . In the little tin box you will find some of the chips which these wonderful woodsmen made, when cutting on the larger tree. . . . I took my lunch in pocket one day and located these samples and on another day took saw and sleigh and brought them in." One of the samples—part of a birch-tree—was 10 inches in diameter, and the other some 8 ins. in diameter.

Under protective restrictions, the beaver (*Castor canadensis*) is multiplying rapidly in the Algonquin Park. Furthermore a colony of those interesting creatures is said to have established itself at Green Creek, some distance away, east of Ottawa, and they ought to be left unmolested.

Two red and one silver-gray foxes (*Vulpes fulvus*)—the three from the same litter—from about 150 miles north of Maniwaki, Gatineau district, a prairie coyote (*Canis latrans*) from Edmonton, and two raccoons (*Procyon lotor*) from up the Ottawa near Shawville, P.Q., were recently displayed alive, and all together, in the windows of the Messrs. H. J. Sims & Co. One of the gentlemen