

men whose sympathies in the field of natural history are not restricted or confined to a single branch, but who have an interest in the entire range of plant and animal life and who, for this reason, are able to see correlations in a much broader way than the person whose vision is limited to and focused upon a comparatively small group.

I ought to testify to the earnestness of the students who participate in these excursions, and also to the courtesy of the instructing staff. I observed no suggestion of exclusiveness, nothing but generous cordiality. The memory is very pleasant.

THE FLETCHER MEMORIAL FUND.

At the meeting of the Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club held in the Assembly Hall of the Normal School on November 9th, the Fletcher Memorial Committee reported that they had met with a warm response from members of the Club and friends of the late Dr. Fletcher, when the matter of the proposed memorial had been brought before them. Already between \$1,400 and \$1,500 had been subscribed but the Committee required about \$1,800 for the project in view and asked that those who had not yet subscribed to the fund, but who intended to do so, would immediately communicate with the Treasurer (Mr. Arthur Gibson) or other member of the Committee. There had not been, nor would there be, any personal canvass; it was the desire of the Club that spontaneity should characterize every donation to the fund.

The Committee reported that by far the larger number of subscribers had favored the suggestion put forward at the meeting of the Club in December last, that the memorial should take the form of a fountain erected on the grounds of the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, the scene of Dr. Fletcher's labors during the last twenty years of his life and where he had done so much, officially and unofficially, in assisting the farmer and fruit grower in their efforts to resist the attack of insect and fungous enemies, and in encouraging the study of Natural History throughout the Dominion.

At the conclusion of the report it was moved by Mr. Frank T. Shutt and seconded by Dr. William Saunders, and unanimously carried, "that the tribute about to be made to the memory of the late Dr. Fletcher, take the form of a drinking fountain consisting of a granite shaft with bronze medallion, inscription, etc., to be erected at the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, and that the Committee are hereby empowered to make all necessary arrangements for carrying out the work."

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