

ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC ENTOMOLOGISTS.

In pursuance of the call published in the CANADIAN ENTOMOLOGIST, in *Entomologica Americana*, and distributed by James Fletcher, President of the Entomological Club of the A. A. A. S., the following persons met in Toronto on August 28th, at 4 p.m.:—James Fletcher, Clarence M. Weed, A. J. Cook, L. O. Howard, John B. Smith, C. J. S. Bethune, H. Garman, W. Saunders, C. W. Hargitt, and others. Organization was effected by the election, upon motion of Prof. J. B. Smith, of Mr. James Fletcher as Chairman, and Clarence M. Weed as Secretary. Mr. Fletcher, in taking the chair, set out the advantages of organization, and urged the formation at the present time of an association that might be specially devoted to entomology in its economic aspect. Remarks to the same purpose were made by Prof. Cook, Prof. Smith, Mr. Weed, Mr. Howard, Dr. Bethune and Mr. Garman. After full discussion, Prof. Cook moved, seconded by Prof. Smith, that we do now decide to organize an "Association of Official Economic Entomologists." Carried unanimously.

Mr. Fletcher submitted a draft of a constitution drawn by Mr. Howard and himself, after consultation with others.

The proposed constitution was discussed clause by clause, amended and corrected, and finally adopted as a whole in the following shape:—

CONSTITUTION.

1. This Association shall be known as the Association of Official Economic Entomologists.

2. Its objects shall be: (1) To discuss new discoveries, to exchange experiences, and to carefully consider the best methods of work; also (2) to give opportunity to individual workers of announcing proposed investigations, so as to bring out suggestions and prevent unnecessary duplication of work; (3) to assign, when possible, certain lines of investigation upon subjects of general interest; (4) to promote the study and advance the science of entomology.

3. The membership shall be confined to workers in economic entomology. All economic entomologists employed by the general or State Governments, or by the State Experimental Stations, or by any agricultural or horticultural association, and all teachers of economic entomology in educational institutions, may become members of the Association by transmitting proper credentials to the Secretary, and by authorizing him to sign their names to this constitution. Other persons engaged in practical work in economic entomology may be elected by a two-thirds