

MONTREAL BRANCH OF THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY  
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## SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

At the close of the seventh year of the Society's existence your Council beg to present their Annual Report. The retrospect of the year in Entomological matters is a pleasant one. Nine meetings have been held, the attendance at which has been good, and the intercourse of the members has been both agreeable and instructive. Besides the eight papers whose titles are hereafter given, many valuable observations on insect life have been recorded in our minutes, which will be of great assistance to us in the future.

Your Council would also notice that during the summer of last year several enjoyable collecting excursions were participated in by the members, resulting in the discovery of several species of insects hitherto unknown in this locality. On the whole, it is with great pleasure that your Council report the Society to be satisfactorily progressing in the study of our science.

The papers read during the year are as follows :

1. "A Description of the Male *Alypia MacCullochii* Kirby," by William Couper.
2. "Notes on a Species of *Cossus* taken at Montreal," by F. B. Caulfield.
3. "The Milk Plant, its Insect Parasites, red and black in color," by William Couper.
4. "How to Preserve Specimens of Insects," by G. J. Bowles.
5. "On Luminous Insects," by Geo. H. Bowles.
6. "Montreal Hymenoptera," by Wm. Couper.
7. "Notes on Rearing Lepidoptera," by H. H. Lyman.
8. "Some of the Insects that Frequent the Orchard and Garden," Rev. F. W. Fyles. (Selected) by G. J. Bowles.

The study of the Hymenoptera of Montreal has been taken up by Mr. Couper, whose capacity and experience render it certain that the task will be well performed, and result in a great increase in our knowledge of that interesting order. Your Council would recommend the members to follow his example, and during the coming season give special attention