

Saunders, J. Alston Moffatt, Rev. W. M. Rogers, Dr. Woolverton, Dr. Wilson, Prof. J. H. Bowman, J. Dearness, H. Stevenson, W. Stevenson, D. Arnott, W. Foote, W. Scarrow, and — Ware, of London.

The Rev. Dr. Bethune, Warden of Trinity College School, Port Hope, President of the Society, took the chair at 8 o'clock.

The annual report of the Council was read, and upon motion by Rev. T. W. Fyles, seconded by Prof. Bowman, it was adopted and referred to the Editing Committee for publication.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

The Council of the Entomological Society of Ontario beg to present the following report of their proceedings during the past year:—

They are happy to be able to congratulate the members of the Society upon the large increase in numbers during the past year, and the continued interest that is taken in its various departments of work.

The Twenty-First Annual Report on Economic and General Entomology was sent to the Minister of Agriculture in December last, and was printed and distributed in the following April. It consisted of 105 pages, illustrated with 47 wood cuts, and contained many useful and valuable papers.

The *Canadian Entomologist* has been regularly issued at the beginning of each month; the December number, which will complete the twenty-third volume, is now passing through the press. It is now the oldest publication of the kind in North America, and continues to maintain a high reputation among scientific entomologists, both from the value and interest of its papers and the eminence of many of its contributors. The number of pages has been much increased in the current volume. Nearly every issue has contained from 20 to 24 pages, and that for November extended to no less than 34. The whole volume will consist of over 280 pages, being more than forty in excess of the usual number.

Over one hundred volumes have been added to the library during the past year, including a handsome gift of 38 volumes from the President. Among the purchases may be mentioned the valuable work, by Mr. S. H. Scudder, on the Fossil Insects of North America, in two volumes, quarto.

A large and valuable addition to the cabinet of the Society has been made by the purchase of Mr. J. A. Moffatt's collection of *Lepidoptera*.

The following sections of the Society have been in active operation during the past year, viz.: The Botanical, Geological, Microscopical, and Ornithological. The reports of their proceedings are submitted herewith. It is gratifying to find that the formation of these sections has proved so successful and that it has led to an increase of our numbers and the performance of much valuable work. It is earnestly hoped that all persons interested in natural science, in London and the neighbourhood, will become members of the Society, and take part in the proceedings of one or more of the sections.

During the month of August important meetings were held at Washington, D.C. The Association of Economic Entomologists was presided over by our Vice-President, Mr. Fletcher, and was the most important, and the best attended, of any hitherto held in North America. A full account of its proceedings will be published in our annual report. At the meeting of the Entomological Club of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Mr. Fletcher acted as our representative, and has given a report of the papers and discussions in the October and November numbers of the *Canadian Entomologist*.

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