

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MONTREAL BRANCH.

The seventh annual general meeting of the Montreal Branch of the Entomological Society of Ontario was held on Monday, the 17th May, 1880, at the residence of the Vice-President, Mr. H. H. Lyman.

An interesting paper was read by Mr. Couper on the Milk-weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*) and some of its insect frequenters. The paper drew attention to the curious fact that the colors of the different insects feeding upon this plant were, almost without exception, red and black.

The Secretary and Treasurer read his annual report, which showed the finances to be in a most satisfactory condition.

The election of officers then took place, resulting as follows :

President—G. J. Bowles.

Vice-President—G. B. Pearson.

Secretary and Treasurer—Geo. H. Bowles.

Curator—F. B. Caulfield.

Council—Messrs. H. H. Lyman, Wm. Couper and Robert Jack.

A short time was pleasantly spent in examining several cases of rare Lepidoptera belonging to Mr. Lyman, after which the meeting adjourned.

GEO. H. BOWLES, Secretary and Treasurer.

CORRESPONDENCE.

DEAR SIR,—

Mr. W. H. Edwards' note of Oct. 20 recalls a very remarkable gathering of *Danais archippus* which came under my own observation, at Racine, Wisconsin, in the first week of Sept., 1868. The insect appeared in great numbers, and gathered in several swarms about trees in the vicinity. The day was cloudy, but without rain. Shortly after noon the swarms seemed to gather and settled upon a tree in my garden, a well-formed black oak about 15 inches in diameter at the trunk, and perhaps 40 feet high. The swarm covered the southern aspect of this tree so