

Esq., M. P., who had given him assistance, and provided him with facilities for examining this pest.

The Rev. T. W. Fyles, of South Quebec, said it afforded him much pleasure to second the vote of thanks to their President. Referring to the fungous disease upon the cut-worms mentioned by Mr. Fletcher, he said that he had known in England many years ago of an insect similar to this being attacked by some such disease as had been described. He spoke of the habits of cut-worms, saying that as they did not tunnel their way from plant to plant, but passed over the surface, a circle of salt placed round each plant at a short distance would probably save it; the larvæ would shun the salt. Besides this there was the remedy of "hilling up" the plant; he had found that the larvæ would not climb a mound on account of the particles of earth giving way. He believed that salt in the early stages of the plants and the mounds of earth afterwards, would amply protect corn, etc., from the attacks of the insects.

He next spoke of the potato beetle, *D. decem-lineata*, and expressed his belief that its numbers and vigor were decreasing in the Province of Quebec. He stated that there were places on the Lower St. Lawrence where it had not appeared.

He next remarked that *Nematus Erichsonii*, the Larch saw-fly, had extended its ravages along the Beauce Valley to the neighborhood of Quebec, where it had stripped the tamaracks (larch) bare. A second growth of leaves had appeared, and this probably would save the trees. If, however, the attacks were repeated to the same extent, he believed the trees would die. Mr. Fyles showed specimens of the insect and of its cocoons.

Mr. J. Alston Moffat, of Hamilton, stated that he had lately received from his friend, Mr. J. B. Hay, of Brantford, some specimens of a beetle that had been found attacking hot-house plants, *Abutilon*, *Roses*, *Plumbago*, etc. The insect being new to him he sent it to Dr. Horn for identification, and received the follow letter from him:—

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 10th, 1884.

Dear Sir: The insect you send is *Aramiges Fulleri* Horn. (Fuller's rose beetle). It is widely scattered over the country, and has been reported to me as damaging many hot-house plants, particularly the thick leaved varieties. It seems a great nuisance, and eight years ago appeared to be rare.

G. H. HORN.

Specimens of this insect were exhibited by Mr. Moffat.