

mediate vicinity, who are fellow members, we would be able to unite ourselves into local clubs with similar interests, and instead of going on our field excursions alone we could unite on given days in different places, and the collections thus made of the flora and fauna of any neighborhood, would form a valuable addition to the scientific knowledge of the country; it would likewise promote a healthy rivalry among the members, and thus be an instrument for promoting scientific knowledge which sooner or later would be a power making itself felt all over the land.

Second. The names, addresses etc., of all club members given in one or two numbers of the MONTHLY, would prove valuable for many reasons, among which I may mention a few. A better and speedier way of making exchanges than now in use. On writing to any person in a locality from which specimens were wanted if the individual addressed should not be able to himself exchange in that branch he would know some one in the local club who could do so and thus facilitate the work. Or, if a member was going to any place, an entire stranger, on scientific work intent, he would thus have some one to refer to who could direct him to the best field for operations, in whatever branch he wanted to work, and as kindred work makes all the world akin, I am satisfied any member of our association would receive a hearty greeting from his brother members wherever he might go.

Enough for this time, however, and trusting that my suggestions may be of some value to the Club, I will close by wishing success to it and the C. S. MONTHLY.

Respectfully,

JOHN MORRISON

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The works of God are fair for naught,  
Unless are eyes in seeing,  
See hidden in the thing the thought,  
That animates its being.

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