

Norris were done by himself. These coloured slides added very much to the interesting statements made by Dr. Fletcher concerning the life-histories and habits of the various insects treated of. In introducing his subject he stated that he had chosen for exhibition some of the most beautiful or remarkable butterflies and moths in our fauna, and one point he wished to draw particular attention to was, that everyone of these was common and easily obtainable at Ottawa by any student with ordinary assiduity during the first year. Mention was made of the value and the great fascination of working out the life-histories of insects by procuring their eggs and watching the caterpillars during their various moults to the pupal state and then on to maturity. There were many facts which were still unknown even with regard to many of our common species. Some of the large silk worms, or Emperor moths, were shown on the screen and the habits of each kind discussed. The Luna moth, an object of great beauty, was much admired. One delightful scene showing an ideal spot for collecting insects, a limpid stream carrying on its surface water lilies in bloom, and flowing gently beneath over-arching branches, which made a grateful shade, carried the mind of the audience back to the sunny days of June when they visited the Beaver Meadow at Hull. In closing, Dr. Fletcher made a plea for a more general study of the life-histories of insects by the members of the Club, not only for the value of these studies as a source of constant pleasure but on account of the great economic value of a knowledge of insects, which are every year the cause of so much loss. He stated that the leaders in Entomology would always be pleased to help anyone wishing to take up the study of insects, and would gladly accompany them to the woods or show them their collections. The leaders each have private collections and there are also public collections in the Museum of the Geological Survey and at the Central Experimental Farm, all of which are accessible to students.

Many interesting microscopic slides were shown by Dr. H. M. Ami, W. S. Odell and W. J. Wilson, and a number of living turtles were exhibited by Mr. Odell.