

work of the Government, but are intended chiefly to increase a love for natural history and to lead to a greater use of scientific method and scientific facts in our every day life.

The following programme of illustrated lectures was carried out during the 1916-1917 season:

- Dec. 16, 1916—"A Journey Through Space." By Dr. J. S. Plaskett, Dominion Observatory, Ottawa.
- Jan. 9, 1917—"Are Our Forests Vanishing—What are we doing to Perpetuate Them?" By Mr. R. H. Campbell, Director of Forestry, Ottawa.
- Jan. 23, 1917—"Our Winter Birds." By Dr. M. Y. Williams, Geological Survey, Ottawa.
- Feb. 6, 1917—"The Animals of Arctic Canada." By Dr. R. M. Anderson, lately in charge of Southern Scientific party of Canadian Arctic Expedition.
- Feb. 20, 1917—"Fishes and the Fishing Industry." By Mr. Andrew Halkett, Naturalist, Naval Department, Ottawa.
- Mar. 6, 1917—"The Conservation of Wild Life in Canada." By Dr. C. Gordon Hewitt, Dominion Entomologist, Ottawa.
- Mar. 20, 1917—Presidential Address: "Recent Archaeological Work in Canada." By Mr. Harlan I. Smith, Geological Survey, Ottawa.

The first lecture was held at the Observatory and the members were given an opportunity to look through the telescope. All the others were held in the Ottawa Normal School. The address by Dr. J. S. Plaskett on "A Journey Through Space," was given before the People's Forum on the evening of February 25, and Dr. Plaskett then had an audience of nearly 1400 people, many times the number who heard him previously. The increased audience may be due partly to interest aroused by the press report of the previous lecture. However, our interest is in furthering the aims of the Club rather than the Club itself and we are glad that so many people had the opportunity of hearing one of our lectures.

Many members of the Club also gave lectures to public school, Collegiate, and Normal students, and to the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides.

Submitted on behalf of the Council,

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