

omyid larva on choke-cherry, with habits very like those described, and thought it might possibly be the same.

Mr. Fletcher thought it unlikely that a pear insect would be found on *Prunus*. It might possibly be found in some allied forms like *Cratægus*, as is *Anthonomus 4-gibbus* at Ottawa.

Mr. Howard gave some notes on

THE ENCYRTINÆ WITH BRANCHED ANTENNÆ.

He gave a history of the gradual discovery of these aberrant forms, a box of which he exhibited, and explained by means of blackboard figures the nature of the curious antennal modifications. Excellent drawings of the species were also exhibited.

In response to a question from Mr. Osborn, he stated that one of the species was bred from *Bucculatrix*; but that the hosts of the others were not known.

On motion of Mr. Kellicott, the President appointed Messrs. Kellicott, Smith and Howard, a committee to nominate the officers of the club for next year.

The Club then adjourned until 1 p. m.

AFTERNOON MEETING.

The Club reassembled at 1 p. m., with President Osborn in the chair and twenty-seven persons present.

A paper by Mr. Hubbard being called for,

Mr. Schwarz stated that the communication to be presently read by the Secretary was not an elaborate paper, but a private letter hastily written by the author while still in the field. The insects mentioned therein had, of course, not yet been studied, and could only be determined by Mr. Hubbard after his return. But on account of the highly interesting information it contained, the letter was eminently fitted to be laid before the Club. No previous observations on the insect life in the Hot Springs of the Yellowstone Park seem to have been made, although this interesting locality had frequently been visited by scientific parties. In fact, beyond Dr. Packard's short article in the *American Naturalist* on a *Stratiomys* larva from a hot spring in Colorado, he was not aware that anything had been published in North America on the insect fauna of Hot Springs. Further, there was very little recorded of the general insect fauna of the Yellowstone Park, and he even remembered having seen