

The fifth excursion was held at Leamy's Lake, on the afternoon of Saturday, May 30th. Although there was only a party of nine, the occasion proved to be most enjoyable and profitable. Mr. Gibson, the President, drew attention to a carabid beetle devouring a tent caterpillar; a partridge's nest, containing a set of twelve eggs, was found, and the woods were profuse with flowers and ferns.

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The sixth excursion was held at Ironsides, on Saturday afternoon, June 6th. The train left the Broad Street Station at 1.40 p.m., and, on arriving at the destination, the party walked along the railway track until reaching a woodland, where it dispersed its minor parties, according to the phase of nature each desired to study. Mr. Sladen gave his attention to bees and captured a goodly lot. A wood-chuck or ground-hog was seen by several persons, and as it remained all the time beside its burrow, a fine observation was had of it. At the short addresses, which were interrupted by the arrival of the homeward bound train, Mr. J. W. Gibson, whose new professional duties have called him to British Columbia, spoke a few appropriate and appreciative words in the interests of the Club.

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The seventh and final excursion of the season was held at the Experimental Farm, on the afternoon of Saturday, June 13th, and was well attended. Mr. Arthur Gibson, the President, Mr. W. T. Macoun, and other representative officials of the Farm, escorted the party through the arboretum, the greenhouses and the insectary. The horticultural observations of the trees, hedges and flowers were inspiring. A number of the bird-nesting boxes placed on the trees were observed, and a few birds were seen. The display of grapes, tomatoes, cucumbers and melons seen in the greenhouses was an interesting sight, and the visit to the insectary was also interesting. Towards the close of the afternoon a visit was paid to the Entomological Museum, where Mr. Gibson exhibited a portion of the collection of mounted insects. This collection is so vast that a whole afternoon would require to be devoted to its inspection in order to get any adequate idea of its significance and value.

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