

detritus which is used as an incubator for the larvæ and pupæ, the carton nests constructed in trees by various tropical ants of the genera *Crematogaster*, *Azteca*, *Dolichoderus*, and *Polyrhachis*, and the extraordinary silken nests of *Oecophylla smaragdina* and some species of *Polyrhachis* and *Camponotus*, which are woven by the ants using their spinning larvæ as shuttles.

THE EXCURSION TO GRIMSBY.

In accordance with the prearranged programme, the visiting entomologists were all invited to participate in an excursion to the town of Grimsby, which is situated near the centre of the chief peach district of the Province. About thirty-five availed themselves of the opportunity. It had been expected that the party would arrive in Grimsby soon after noon, but owing to a very severe thunderstorm the previous evening, the electric cars were running irregularly and it was not until about 2 p.m. that we arrived there. Lunch was at once served. After lunch there were two or three very interesting, short addresses of appreciation of the pleasant trip and of the entertainment. Immediately afterwards those who were enthusiastic collectors set out in a body to search the flower-clad side of the so-called mountain for their favorite kinds of insects. The remainder, under the guidance of Mr. Caesar, visited the neighboring orchards, especially the peach orchards. Fortunately the peaches were just ready to pick, and the healthy trees, with their luxuriant green foliage and the branches bending down almost to the breaking point with the weight of golden fruit, aroused the enthusiasm and admiration of those who had never before seen an Ontario peach orchard. About two hours were spent driving through or past peach and other orchards, noting at the same time a few of the special insect pests of the locality, and then all returned to the hotel to meet the party of collectors who reported a considerable number of interesting captures. Farewells were given and the convention was at an end.

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