

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

DONATION TO THE LIBRARY.—It will be remembered that last year the Club's library was enriched by a valuable donation from Madame Ville, of Paris, France, who presented to us, through Mr. Shutt. twelve handsomely bound volumes containing the record of the labours of her husband, the late Professor Georges Ville, the eminent agricultural chemist. During the past month a further volume has been received from the same donor. Its title is "*Le dosage de l'Ammoniaque de l'air et l'absorption de l'Azote de l'air par les Plantes,*" and contains an account of the chief work undertaken by this scientist. The thanks of the Club have been forwarded to Madame Ville for her valuable gift.

DR. ADOLF LEHMANN, a member of the Club, and a contributor to the OTTAWA NATURALIST, who for years was Assistant Chemist at the Experimental Farm, Ottawa, has been appointed Agricultural Chemist for the district of Mysore, India. This is an important position, and we offer him our heartiest congratulations, wishing him all success in his new and distant field of labour.

Since his return from Leipsic Dr. Lehmann has been at Queen's College, Kingston, as Demonstrator and Lecturer in Organic Chemistry. Dr. Lehmann will leave in Canada many warm friends, and we trust that from time to time we may be able to inform them of the good work and good health of our erstwhile co-labourer.

AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION—This important Society, with its membership extending over the United States, Mexico and Canada, held its 26th annual meeting in Ottawa, September 27th to 30th. There was an attendance of about two hundred visiting members, including a party of six from the City of Mexico. A goodly number of Canadians were present, and Ottawa, as might be expected, was well represented.

The deliberations of this association include all subjects relating to public hygiene, and papers and discussions upon