

The following is a list of the papers read at the Literary and Stated Meetings of the Society during the past year :—

- 1.—R. S. M. BOUCHETTE, Esquire,—“ Life and Expeditions of J. Cartier,” (from C. De Maziere de Sechelles, cor. mem., St. Malo.)
- 2.—C. M. TATE, Esquire, V.P.,—“ Glance at the march of Improvements in the last 30 years.”
- 3.—E. T. FLETCHER, Esquire, V.P.,—“ The Tyranny of the many.”
- 4.—G. G. DUNLEVIE, Esquire,—“ The Ionian Isles.”
- 5.—R. NETTLE, Esquire,—“ The Fisheries of the Gulf and River St. Lawrence.”
- 6.—LIEUT. ASHE, R.N., F.R.A.S., V.P.,—Journey over the Andes to Lake Titicaca.
- 7.—E. T. FLETCHER, Esq., V.P.,—“ Some illustrations of the discriminating power of the Human Ear.” (Mss. of the late D. Wilkie, LL.D.)
- 8.—E. A. MEREDITH, Esq., LL.D., President,—“ An important but neglected branch of Social Science.”
- 9.—C. M. TATE, Esq., V.P.,—“ Travelling forty years ago and to-day.”
- 10.—MR. S. STURTON,—“ The Food of Man, Botanically and Chemically considered.”
- 11.—MR. W. COUPER,—“ Architecture of Canadian Insects.”

During the past year, the publication of the Society's transactions was once more resumed, after a cessation of three or four years. The Council trust that in future the transactions will be published with the same regularity as in the earlier days of the Society. In connection with this matter the Council desire to submit, for the consideration of the Society, the importance of giving increased power to the Editing Committee. This Committee should be authorized not merely to report upon papers formally submitted to them by a vote of the Society, they should be authorized to obtain from the Authors the papers as soon as they are read with a view to reporting on them, when deserving of publication, as speedily as possible. There can be no doubt that nothing