

BOOK NOTICES.

Le Naturaliste Canadien—Vol. xxi, No. 1.—Chicoutimi.

We warmly welcome again to our table the monthly magazine founded by the Abbé Provancher, and by him continued for many years despite numerous difficulties and discouragements. Henceforth it will be published by his pupil and co-laborer, Abbé Victor-A. Huard, of Chicoutimi, a gentleman of well-known scientific attainments. The *Naturaliste Canadien* is the only scientific journal published in the French language on this continent, and therefore appeals to a large body of our people, who are not reached by other scientific publications. We sincerely trust, thereto, that it may receive a hearty support from all those who desire to see the truths and beauties of science brought before fresh audiences. All branches of Natural History will be discussed and an elementary treatise on Zoology has been commenced with separate pagination. The editor proposes also to continue the *Faune Entomologique* of his predecessor as opportunity permits. Ed.

The Biological Review of Ontario. Vol. 1, No. 1.

This is a new quarterly of sixteen pages, published by an apparently newly formed society; The Biological Society of Ontario. It contains several interesting articles on birds and insects. The necessity of this publication is however, not apparent, as any of the articles contained in it could have been contributed to existing publications such as the *Ottawa Naturalist*, and the *Canadian Entomologist*. There does not seem a demand at present for an addition to the scientific publications of Canada. It would be much better for all workers to unite in supporting those already firmly established. Local societies for the study of natural history can be made very useful in bringing workers together, and in fostering an interest in the carrying on of useful investigations, but in the majority of cases the labor and expense necessary to issue special publications might be more profitably employed. Ed.

Annual Meeting on Tuesday, March 20th, at 4.15 p.m.