

rather as a token of our love for the man himself and the devoted affection in which we all held him. While he was widely known and respected all over the country, and was regretted as a true friend of a great variety of people, there was another side to his character which was not so generally known: he had a very deep sense of religion and was a man of unobtrusive piety which only revealed itself to those who were on the most intimate terms with him.

Dr. Bethune then read a letter from Dr. L. O. Howard, Chief of the Bureau of Entomology, Washington, and therefore considered to be at the head of the entomologists of North America. He wrote as follows: "I regret more than I can tell that I am unable to come to Ottawa for the unveiling of the memorial. Dr. Fletcher was one of my dearest friends and I had the greatest admiration for him. His services to Canada were very great. He had a wonderful capacity in a very broad field in entomology and was one of the best informed men of his time on the intricate and manifold aspects of economic entomology. His reports were sound and practical, and as a public speaker before assemblages of farmers and gardeners he was unexcelled. He was known and admired, and loved also, throughout the United States. In fact I have never known a man who had so many absolutely devoted friends as Dr. Fletcher. His energy, his enthusiasm, his absorbing interest in everything that lives and grows, his warm heart, his perfect lack of even a suspicion of egotism attracted everyone who knew him and bound them to him in friendship, and even love, forever."

Dr. Wm. Saunders, C.M.G., Director of the Dominion Experimental Farms, spoke very feelingly of his long association with Dr. Fletcher, which commenced before his appointment on the staff of the Experimental Farms. The value of his work as Entomologist and Botanist to the farmers of the Dominion was very great and he has been much missed. At meetings of farmers and fruitgrowers his clear statements regarding subjects under discussion made his presence a great benefit. He was blessed with a child-like optimism and cheerfulness of spirit which made his society always welcome, and instances of his wide and kind sympathy can be recalled by all who had the privilege of his acquaintance. Dr. Saunders said he had hoped to enjoy his co-operation in the work of the Experimental Farms as long as he held the office of Director. An all-wise Providence decreed otherwise, however; but although deprived of his society and help, he would always look back to the pleasant intercourse of the years they spent together. Such a life as his was will be a lasting influence for good. Having by this memorial striven to show our appreciation of our late friend's character and work,