

In the adjoining Province of Quebec we find the work of the Ottawa members naturally extending across the Ottawa river to a country which within a few miles is diversified by outlying spurs of the Laurentians, with some consequent change in the flora and fauna. A strong branch of our society is located in Montreal where much effective work has been done by the resident entomologists. It is only a few years since the branch sustained a great loss in the death of their former President, Mr. Bowles, who had made a study of the lepidoptera of the Island of Montreal, and had written frequent papers on the species collected. Mr. Lyman, who I am glad to see with us to-day, has for several years been the President and has shown great interest in its success, and in the continuance of its meetings. He has made a careful study of the lepidoptera, and has accumulated a splendid collection, while his contributions to the *Entomologist* have been numerous and of unusual interest. The late Mr. Caulfield was an industrious collector, and careful observer, who contributed severable valuable lists and other papers, relating chiefly to the insects of the Island of Montreal. Another member who resided there was the late Mr. W. Couper (also of Quebec and Ottawa) a frequent contributor to our earlier volumes. Among other Montreal workers may be mentioned Messrs. Jack, Winn, Hausen, Gibb, Wintle, etc. The Natural History Society has always taken some interest in entomology, and on its annual field-day encourages by suitable prizes the collection of insects by the young people. The *Canadian Naturalist and Geologist* and its successor the *Canadian Record of Science* have from time to time published entomological papers, such as the late Mr. Ritchie's list of local coleoptera, Mr. Caulfield's paper on Canadian orthoptera, and Mr. Hausen's list of coleoptera collected at St. Jerome.

Going down the St. Lawrence we reach Quebec, the scene for many years of the labors of the late Abbe Provancher, whose *Faune Entomologique* is a monument to his industry and perseverance in the collection and study of our insects, under more than usual difficulties and discouragements. Mr. Bowles and Mr. Hanham also formerly resided in Quebec, and at present we are well represented there by the Rev. T. W. Fyles, a very industrious observer, who has frequently charmed us by the scholarly papers read at these meetings, to be present at which he does not hesitate to take the long journey from the Ancient Capital. The late Mr. Couper made collecting trips to Anticosti and the shores of the Lower St. Lawrence, the results of which appeared in our earlier volumes.

In the Maritime Provinces our only contributors appear to have been Mrs. Caroline E. Heustis of St. John, N.B., and Mr. J. Matthew Jones of Halifax, N.S. The catalogues of the British Museum and other scattered entomological literature show that considerable collections have been made in those provinces, chiefly by officers of the army and navy, and it is matter of regret that there are no resident entomologists, to make a closer study of the insect life, which my own occasional observations prove to be very interesting in many particulars.

Turning westward again to that immense country which stretches from our fair province to the far Pacific, the localities which have been investigated are almost lost in the vast expanse of yet unexplored territory. Mr. Hanham, who formerly collected in Ottawa, Hamilton, Paris and Quebec, has recently removed to Winnipeg, and intends to devote every opportunity to making known its insect life. Capt. Geddes a few years ago made most valuable collecting trips across the prairies and to the Rocky Mountains, and at Laggan, Alta., Mr. Bean is industriously collecting, and adding to our knowledge of the mountain fauna. Both of these gentlemen have, however, devoted themselves chiefly to the study of the lepidoptera, and we have yet to wait for resident entomologists, stationed at moderate distances apart, to gain an adequate idea of the general distribution of the insects of all orders.

On the Pacific coast the Canadian gleaners are also few, although a rich and abundant insect life rewards the labors of the collector. Our chief worker has been the Rev. G. W. Taylor, who has made large collections of lepidoptera, hymenoptera and coleoptera, including many species new to science. These collections were chiefly made in the vicinity of Victoria, V.I., but Mr. Taylor has recently removed to Nanaimo, and

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