

excessive heat. The early season made it necessary for all who wished to make complete collections of the spring flowers, to show great activity in gathering the many species which were found to be in perfection. Leaving the street cars at Rockcliffe, the route taken was towards Hemlock Lake and then back again towards Beechwood to the street car line. The wild plum, *Prunus Americana*, was in perfection and some beautiful bushes were seen in the small coppice above Hemlock Lake, where formerly *Daphne Mezereum* used to grow, but of which unfortunately from the land having been cleared for building purposes, not a single bush is now to be found. *Viola Selkirkii* was found in good condition, as well as many others of the less local spring flowers. After leaving the woods, and before returning, a practical lesson on Botany was given by Mr. Fletcher, plants collected during the afternoon being used as illustrations. The outing was a very enjoyable one and was participated in by about sixty ladies and gentlemen.

SUB-EXCURSION NO. 2 ; BEAVER MEADOW, HULL, QUE.—About fifty members of the Club and students of the Normal School attended this sub-excursion. The weather was delightfully warm and pleasant, but the mesquitos were very vicious in the "meadow" itself. Prof. Macoun, Dr. Fletcher and Mr. S. B. Sinclair led the botanists and entomologists whilst Dr. Ami took charge of the geologists and led them to the "pile" of Trenton limestone and shale taken out of the cutting on the Aylmer Branch of the Pontiac Railway. The genial president, Mr. F. T. Shutt, was also present and took an active part in the programme of the day. On re-assembling and comparing notes the Botanists were addressed by Prof. Macoun and Dr. Fletcher. Prof. Macoun dwelt more particularly upon the trees of the district visited and replied to a number of interesting and puzzling questions put to him during the afternoon. A very interesting discussion took place upon the relations of the different members of the Urticaceæ or Elm family. Prof. Macoun promised to