

as valuable to them as possible, and therefore, worthy of assistance and encouragement.

The Council suggests that the journal be issued on the first day of each month under the title of "The Ottawa Naturalist."

You will learn from the Treasurer's statement that the present financial condition of the Club is perhaps more satisfactory than at any former period, and that there remains a good balance over and above all expenses. The Council has endeavoured to limit the expenditure of the past year in order that there might be sufficient funds on hand to warrant the adoption of the publication scheme which has been presented. The Treasurer has succeeded in collecting a very large percentage of the subscriptions, and it is expected that the few who are still in arrears will take an early opportunity to increase the fund which will be so necessary for carrying on this important project.

In conclusion the Council reiterates its belief that the present condition of the Club is encouraging, and that its future prospects seem to indicate increased strength and progress.

Signed on behalf of the Council,

W. H. HARRINGTON,

Secretary.

MARCH 15th, 1887.

TREASURER'S BALANCE SHEET.

Dr. The Treasurer in account with the Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club, 1886-87. *Cr.*

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
To Balance from 1885-86.....	\$ 28 25	By Balance on Transactions No. 6, 1885-86.....	\$34 50
Membership fees, 1885-86.....	\$ 34 00	Plates for Transactions No. 6, 1885-86.....	15 00
Membership fees, 1886-87.....	137 00		\$ 49 50
	—————	Transactions No. 7, 1886-87..	90 00
	171 00	Excursion Expenses.....	33 65
Sale of Transactions.....	6 55	Soiree to Royal Society.....	9 00
Excursion Receipts.....	34 80	Stationery	4 65
Soiree to Royal Society.....	7 50	Postage.....	7 23
	—————	Miscellaneous Printing.....	19 15
	\$248 10	Balance on hand.....	34 92
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			\$248 10

T. J. MacLAUGHLIN,

Treasurer.