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After a short discussion it was decided that, for the meetings of the approaching winter, the members should bring to each meeting specimens of botanical interest for exhibition and discussion. It was thought that the adoption of this suggestion would make the meetings more interesting and educative. It is hoped, therefore, that the members will respond heartily in bringing material for each meeting's discussion.

It was then decided that those present, who had made interesting observations during the summer, should give the others present brief accounts of them. Mr. H. T. Gussow very entertainingly described some broom-growths he had seen on trees in British Columbia and some experiences he has had with the seeds of a certain mistletoe growing in the same part of the country. A little later in the evening he also referred to bacteria of the soil in their relations to soil fertility, and to the disease potato scab. Mr. L. H. Newman gave a short account of the recent activities of the Canadian Seed Growers' Association, referring chiefly to the efforts which are being made to produce corn and potatoes of a high standard quality and in quantities large enough for wide distribution.

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BOOK NOTICE.

FORTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF ONTARIO. This publication has recently made its appearance and we are glad to see fully maintains its previous reputation. It contains no less than 23 papers contributed by the leading entomologists of Canada. These contributions cover a wide field of research and on account of their economic value should be in the hands of every Agriculturist and Horticulturist not alone in Ontario, but throughout the whole Dominion, for, while the papers deal more particularly with Ontario pests, the insects discussed recognize no boundaries and are often as injurious without as within. This, too, applies with equal reason to pests discussed from other provinces which, though comparatively harmless in Ontario to-day, may at any time become troublesome. Thus we find articles wisely included from various provinces, all of which add to the value of the report. It is, as usual, profusely illustrated, and contains as a frontispiece a portrait of the Society's President for 1912, Dr. E. M. Walker.

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