"which the earth is divisible, their summits being the poles and the "equator their common base, it is advisable to begin with the arctic "species or with those which have ascended to the highest latitudes. The "difference in soil, in vegetation and in elevation facilitate or hinder the "migration and settlement of insects, and help to effect the variety of "distribution, which is one of the chief attractions in the aspects of "nature."

MONTREAL BRANCH OF THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF ONTARIO.

This branch was organized November 11th, 1873. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, W. Couper; Vice President, M. Kollmar; Secretary-Treasurer, F. B. Caulfield; Council—G. J. Bowles, P. Knetzing, C. W. Pearson, W. Hibbins, ir.

The meetings of the Society are held at the residence of the President, No. 67, Bonaventure Street, Montreal, on the first Wednesday evening in each month.

ENTOMOLOGICAL COLLECTING TOUR.

We would call especial attention to a notice of an Entomological collecting tour about to be undertaken by Dr. S. V. Summers, of New Orleans, La., which will be found on the outside page of cover of our magazine. This is one of the most extensive undertakings of the sort we have ever heard of, and is well worthy of the patronage of Entomologists. The number of specimens guaranteed is extremely liberal, and the returns will no doubt well repay those who invest in the proffered shares. We are duly authorized by Dr. Summers to receive monies for shares on his account, so that any of our readers who may prefer negotiating with us will please communicate with our Secretary, Mr. J. H. McMechan.