

## THE OTTAWA NATURALIST.

THE OTTAWA NATURALIST, the official publication of the Club, has been issued under the continued editorship of Mr. Arthur Gibson. A fire which occurred in the office of the printers, The Rolla L. Crain Company, destroyed the entire November edition and all the engravings, but The Dadson-Merrill Press have since taken over the printing of the publication and are rapidly restoring the interrupted schedule. In order to interest a larger number of citizens the Council has decided to include in each issue items of popular and scientific interest, more particularly notes that give practical natural history information. An effort is being made to secure more articles of general interest without neglecting to supply that great need of science—a place of publication for its discoveries.

Among the more popular papers published during the year the following may be mentioned:

- The Formation of the Great Plains of Northwestern Canada.  
By D. B. Dowling.
- The Use of Wild Plants as Food by Indians. By Tom Wilson.
- American Insect Galls. By E. P. Felt.
- Birds of Lake Onigamis Region, Que., and Algonquin Park, Ont.  
By John M. Cooper.
- Notes on Some Ottawa District Plants. By W. H. Harrington.
- Notes on the Feeding Habits of Two Salamanders in Captivity.  
By C. M. Sternberg.
- Concerning Some Ontario Crayfishes. By A. G. Huntsman.
- My Bird Houses. By C. L. Patch.
- Are Our Forests Vanishing. By R. H. Campbell.
- The Barn Owl Nesting in Southwestern Ontario.  
By W. E. Saunders.
- Sea Squirts. By E. E. Prince.
- The Sharp-shinned Hawk. By W. J. Brown.
- New Sphaeriidae, a family of bivalve Molluscs which are remarkably abundant near Ottawa, and form no small part of the food of many fishes and birds.
- Bird Notes. By F. C. Hennessey.

Various small notes on birds, butterflies, mushrooms and flowers were also published.

Among the more technical scientific papers may be mentioned:

Some Notes on Fossil Collecting and on the Edrioasteroidea.  
By G. H. Hudson.

A Preliminary Paper on the Origin and Classification of Intraformational Conglomerates and Breccias. By R. M. Field.