that it is absolutely necessary as a touchstone for the interpretation of the highest and best in literature?

LECTURE NIGHT.

The next Evening Meeting of the Club will be held on January 8th, in the lecture room of the Young Men's Christian Association on O'Connor Street, when two most interesting papers, by Prof. John Macoun, and Mr. James McEvoy, both of the Geological Survey Department, will be delivered upon the Crow's Nest Pass. The meeting will be opened punctually at 8 o'clock, and the audience is requested to be in time to take their seats before that hour, so as not to disturb the lecturers and listeners after the meeting has begun. On the same evening the Report of the Botanical Branch will be read, which always elicits a lively discussion. Among other interesting exhibits their will be on view a beautiful collection of paintings of Manitoban plants, by Mr Norman Criddle, of Aweme, Man.—Acting Editor.

PALÆONTOLOGICAL NOTES.

Observations on and Descriptions of Arctic Fossils. By R. P. Whitfield. Extracted from Bulletin of the Amer. Mus. Nat. Hist., Vol. 13, Article 2, pp. 19—22, Plates I and II. New York, April, 6, 1900.

The above is the title of an interesting paper by Prof. Whitfield, the able palæontologist of the Central Park Museum of Natural History. In it he describes a few fossils new to science, and records others of much interest, from collections sent to that Museum by the Peary Arctic Club of New York. Some of these were collected by the expedition of 1898 at "Cape Harrison, on Princess Marie Bay and Summit, Cape d'Urville, in the Arctic Regions," whilst others came from "near the head of Frobisher Bay," and were obtained from Eskimos by G. Cromer, Esq., of Boston, who sent them to Prof. Franz Boas of the Amer. Mus.