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To-day our Society enters with the New Year upon a new phase of existence. Hitherto it has been entirely dependant upon the unaided contributions and voluntary assistance of its members, who, in the very nature of things, are comparatively few in number, and scattered over a wide area of country; now it has received official recognition, and is furnished with such pecuniary aid as will enable it to carry out more effectually the work that it was intended to perform. We trust, then, that all our members will now bestir themselves, and work zealously and actively for the cause of Entomology in this country, and will show by their labours that the encouragement afforded them has been usefully and worthily bestowed. We have now made our first moult, but still continue in a larval state, with all a caterpillar's voracity for food; unless we get plenty we shall shrivel up and die. The sustenance that we require is more members, more work, more books, more specimens, more scientific contributions, more subscribers to our journal, more active co-operation on the part of all!

The following resolution unanimously adopted at the last meeting of the Council of the Agricultural and Arts Association of Ontario, describes our new position:—

Resolved.—That the sum of four hundred dollars be appropriated in aid of the Entomological Society for the ensuing year, on the condition that the Society furnish an Annual Report, and form a Cabinet of Insects, useful or prejudicial to Agriculture and Horticulture, to be placed at the disposal of this Council, and that they also continue to publish their Journal."

This assistance is very timely and acceptable, but it will be observed that it imposes upon us fresh work which will require the active assistance of our members to perform satisfactorily. The Annual Report is intended to be of a practical character and to resemble those issued by the State Entomologists in the United States; notes and observations in economic Entomology from all parts of the country will be especially needed for this. The cabinet of noxious and beneficial insects will also stand in need of contributions from all our mem-