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south of this-at Ilderton-a boring was made through this shale formation which proved only natural gas in a small quantity and upon being continued deeper, a bed of salt was reached which is now being worked-the salt works being lit by the gas thus obtained. Perhaps the most remarkable objects in the vicinity of Kettle Point are the globular concretions of semi-crystalline limestone, ranging in diameter from two to six feet and of an internal radical structure and bituminous in nature. Several specimens were obtained and brought home by the party. In all these expeditions the local collections have been visited and their cabinets overhauled and exchanges made of duplicates. An interesting point to Geologists is Thedford and its vicinity-the railway cutting close by abounds in specimens of spirifers, orthoceras and fossil corals in great abundance, Favosites Cyathophyllum and Helliolites Halli. A fine collection of the local fossils has been made by the Rev. Mr. Currie, the Presbyterian pastor. A great need of geological maps of the peninsula has been felt to enable this society to carry on its work more thoroughly and profitably. The library on the other hand is well supplied with Geological literature which this section highly appreciates, but would gladly welcome any additions of more recent publications as they appear. The want of room greatly contracts the possibilities of the society. It has now been felt, and the feeling is widely expressed, that the time has arrived for the society as a whole to obtain more commodious premises, in order that not only the parent Society should have more room for the display of its own fine collections of insects (at present by no means shown to advantage owing to the difficulty of access by three flights of stairs and the crowded condition in which they are arranged), but also that the sub-sections might each have the opportunity of making a display of its collections. This branch at least feels that from its progress and increase of numbers this is worthy of the consideration of the parent Society. We have the honor to submit to this Society the foregoing as our report for the year past.

S. WOOLVERTON, Chairman.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following gentlemen were elected officers for the ensuing year :

President-W. Hague Harrington, Ottawa.

Vice-President-J. Dearness, London.

Secretary-W. E. Saunders, London.

Treasurer-J. A. Balkwill, London.

Directors-Division 1-James Fletcher, F.L.S., F.R.S.C., Ottawa.

" 2--Rev. C. J. S. Bethune, F.R.S.C., Port Hope.

" 3-Gamble Geddes, Toronto.

" 4-A. H. Kilman, Ridgeway.

" 5-R. W. Rennie, London.

Librarian and Curator-J. Alston Moffat, London.

Editor of the "Canadian Entomologist"-Rev. C. J. S. Bethune, M.A., D.C.L., Port Hope.

Editing Committee—J. Fletcher, Ottawa; H. H. Lyman, Montreal; Rev. T. W. Fyles, South Quebec; J. M. Denton and J. H. Bowman, London.

Delegate to the Royal Society-Rev. T. W. Fyles, South Quebec.

Committee on Field Days—Dr. Woolverton, Messrs. McClement, Elliott and Stevenson, London, and one representative from each section.

Auditors-J. H. Bowman and J. M. Denton, London.

A paper was then read by the Rev. T. W. FYLES on "Entomological Mistakes of Authors," which was highly enjoyed and appreciated by all present.

Mr. FLETCHER drew attention to one point in the report of the Omithological section viz., the success achieved by devoting observations to one bird alone, and urged that this principle should be adopted by Entomologists, so that each one might work out the lifehistory of some particular insect.

The meeting adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

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