

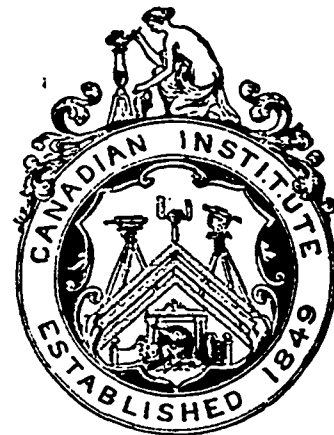
position, frequently cause two, three, or even more days difference, between the epochs of the same event in trees or plants of the same species, very near one another. It will generally be found that these differences are constant. An early and a late specimen should be selected. There is also a considerable interval between the opening of the first flowers on shrubs—like the Lilac, Almond, &c.—and any general display of blossom—both periods should be observed. It should be added, when the flowering is completely over. Again, it is not altogether easy to decide, exactly, when leaves are to be considered fully expanded: the observer should note the date at which it can be first asserted doubtfully, and when it is past a doubt. Remarking also the condition of the weather, which may be supposed to hasten or retard the phenomena. Such as a prevalence of fine or cold days, about the time each is expected—warm or cold rains—high winds, and so on. Lastly, no observer can be certain that his observation is the first that might have been made in the neighbourhood, and a considerable number of independent records must be consulted to fix the epochs exactly.

ERRATA.—In the March number of this Journal several articles, thro' an accidental misunderstanding, were sent to press without having been corrected. Subjoined is a list of the most important corrections which should have been made.—Pages 183—184:—

Fraxinus Sambucifolia,	read Fraxinus Sambucifolia.
Ribes Oynorbati,	" Ribes Cynosbati.
Thalictrum Divicium,	" Thalictrum Dioicum.
Actea Alba,	" Actea Alba.
Crataegus Coccinea,	" Crataegus Coccinea.
Impatiens Fulva,	" Impatiens Fulva.
Rhus Toxicodendron,	" Rhus Toxicodendron.
Lupinus Perennis,	" Lupinus Perennis.
Fiarella Cordifolia,	" Tiarella Cordifolia.
Aster,	" Aster.
Tricentalis Americana,	" Tricentalis Americana.
Gerardia Quercifolia,	" Gerardia Quercifolia.
Scutellaria Golericulata,	" Scutellaria Galericulata.
" Parvula,	" Parvula.
Gentiana Pneumonanthe,	" Gentiana Pneumonanthe.
Phytolacca Decandra,	" Phytolacca Decandra—Pokeweed.
Cypripedium Spectabile,	" Cypripedium Spectabile.
Noualaria Perfoliata,	" Uvularia Perfoliata.
Veronica Beccabunga,	" " Beccabunga.
Lithospermum Canesceus,	" " Canesceus.
Abile,	" Abele.
Dandylion,	" Dandelion.
Parslane,	" Purslane.
Supine,	" Lupine.
Mullen,	" Mullein.

Page 186—Line 29 for 6 sec., read 6 min.

	IN FLOWER.		
	1850.	1851.	1852.
Phlox Setacea.....		May 7	Ap'l 28
Hepatica triloba.....		"	May 29
Flowering Almond, first flowers.....	May 26	May 22	June 3
" fully covered.....	June 4	May 26	" 13
Flowering over.....	"	"	May 27
Lilac, Common, first flowers.....	"	May 27	June 3
" fully covered.....	June 6	June 3	" 18
" flowering over.....	"	"	May 8
Rock Maple.....		Ap'l 28	" 8
First Dandelion.....	"	"	May 26
Horse Chestnut, first flowers.....	"	May 23	June 2
" fully covered.....	"	May 28	"
" flowering over.....	"	June 21	May 21
Indian pear, Poire.....		May 11	
Syringa.....		June 17	June 22
Common Honeysuckle, first flowers.....		June 5	June 13
" fully covered.....		June 20	"
Red Trumpet' Honeysuckle.....		"	June 18
Common Red Peony.....		June 5	June 11
Acacia (Locust).....		June 23	
Persian Lilac.....		June 17	June 12
Guelder Rose.....		May 26	June 2
Canadian Thorn.....			June 12
Mountain Ash.....			
Shadbush.....			May 25
Apple.....		May 25	May 27
Cherry.....		May 18	May 20
Plum.....		May 18	
Birch.....			
Beech.....		May 18	
Larch.....			
Elm.....			June 18
Strawberries, first ripe.....		June 15	
Scarlet Tanager seen.....		May 13	
Pigeons in passage.....		May 18	
Black Plover.....		May 21	
Wax-wing seen.....			June 5
Fire-flies seen.....		June 15	June 7
Humming Birds seen.....			May 27



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FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING.

ANNUAL CONVERSAZIONE.

The very gratifying nature of the proceedings at the Annual Conversazione of the Institute, held in the Hall of the Legislative Assembly, on Saturday, April 2nd, induces us to adopt a method of recording them, which savours less of originality than of respectful submission to the opinions of the Press, as shown in the very flattering descriptions which we beg leave to subjoin:

(From the North American.)

"On Saturday evening the most interesting, Literary, Scientific, and Pleasurable meeting ever witnessed in Toronto, was held in the Legislative Assembly Hall.—It was the Annual Conversazione of the Canadian Institute, and some 300 gentlemen, including all the friends of Literature and Science in the City—from the Bishop downwards—graced the very pleasing scene. The Council of the Institute had made great preparations to render oblivious all previous similar efforts. The Hall was tastefully