

much time as possible in this new locality. There were present several Geologists, and under the guidance of Mr. Brumell many minerals and objects of interest were collected. The Botanists were as usual well represented, and were well repaid for their labours. All the leaders and Prof. Macoun were present, and made the exploration interesting to those who accompanied them, naming and explaining the nature of all the plants brought to them. Several new species were added to the list of plants recorded. The most notable being *Vaccinium cespitosum*, a northern plant; *Vaccinium corymbosum*, var. *glaucum*; and *Solidago arguta*. Before leaving for home about an hour was pleasantly and advantageously spent in listening to the addresses of the leaders, which, owing perhaps to the new locality and the charming weather, seemed more than usually entertaining. The President, Mr. R. B. Whyte, with a few well chosen words introduced each speaker. Mr. Brumell, of the Geological Survey, explained the geological formation, and drew attention to the most important minerals discovered. Apatite naturally came in for a large share of attention, followed by Mica, Iron Pyrites and Hornblende; together with the other rocks found in the Laurentian formation. Following Mr. Brumell, Mr. Amos Bowman, also of the Geological Survey, spoke on the methods of working some of the minerals referred to, and especially spoke of the surface deposits of the district. Prof. Macoun, in his usual happy style, spoke of the plants collected, and the pleasures of a naturalist's life. Mr. Fletcher spoke of the insects, and gave some insight into the habits and life-histories of some specimens exhibited. The party reached town again about eight o'clock after a most successful expedition.

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