

is anticipated from them. Cannot something of the kind be re-inaugurated here with a fair promise of success?—*Nature* continues to be as well filled as ever with most interesting and instructive matter; recent numbers have contained seasonable articles upon the Comet and the Transit of Venus, and a series of illustrated papers upon the observatories of the United States.—European potato growers are beginning to become alarmed at the prospect of a speedy invasion of their fields by the devastating Colorado Beetle. As it has now very nearly reached the Atlantic seaboard, we have little doubt that in another year or two it will succeed in crossing the ocean and striking terror into the hearts of all patriotic Irishmen. Mr. Newman, in a recent number of his "Entomologist," while he confuses the sweet potato with the ordinary potato, and the insects that prey upon these very different plants, expresses his disbelief in the prospect of trouble from any of our American pests. He goes on, however, to quote all the remedies against the Colorado beetle contained in the Report of our Society—without acknowledgement!

WE REGRET to announce the death of Mr. Geo. R. Crotch, M. A., of St. John's College, Cambridge, who sailed from England to America in 1872 for the purpose of studying the Entomology of parts which he considered incompletely known. He made collections, especially of Coleoptera, in California, Vancouver's Island, Oregon and other Districts. So much were his labors valued in England that his University on two occasions voted him a sum of money to aid him in the formation of collections for the Museum at Cambridge.

THE 23RD Meeting of the American Association is to take place this month at Hartford, Conn., beginning on August 12th. Dr. LeConte is the President elect. As an invitation was extended at the Portland meeting to the members of the Entomological Society of Canada to be present on this occasion, we trust that many of our friends will make a point of attending; there will no doubt be a large attendance of insect hunters from all parts of the continent.

THE 44TH Meeting of the British Association is to be held at Belfast, under the Presidency of Prof. Tyndall. It is to commence a week later than that at Hartford.

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