

connected with that of botany, and how desirable it was that botanists should have some knowledge of it. The red-pines of the vicinity had been attacked by a small beetle, *Dryocetes affaber*, which had worked considerable injury, by boring in the terminal shoots and in the young cones; another beetle, a small weevil, was probably the cause of gall-like swellings upon the small branches. Several species of galls found upon willows and poplars were exhibited, and attention was also drawn to a peculiar flower-spider, the caterpillar of the large black swallow-tail butterfly, and other insects. Mr. Ami explained that the geological formation of the vicinity was that known as the Chazy, and described the sandstones, shales and limestones composing it, and the fossils which had been obtained from them. Several ladies had assisted in the examination of these rocks, and one of them had found a fossil of peculiar interest and rarity. Owing to the lateness of the hour Mr. Ami made his interesting remarks very brief, in order that there might be time for the members to take their tea before the departure of the train, by which the party returned home, at 8 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

EXCURSION.—The third excursion will be held on Thursday, the 21st July. The place to be visited is Buckingham, the picturesque scenery of which locality has, on previous occasions, elicited the admiration of the members, while rich collecting grounds, of large extent, are to be found. The steamer *Empress* will leave her landing, known as the Queen's Wharf, at 7.20 a.m. The Council hopes that all the members who can possibly do so will attend.

SUB-EXCURSIONS.—The Botanical and Entomological Leaders have decided upon the following Saturday outings for July: 2nd, to Hull; 9th, to Dow's Swamp; 16th, to Rockcliffe; 30th, to Beaver Meadows, Hull; starting from Post Office at 2 p.m.

NEW MEMBERS.—24, Miss Alice Bowen (Quebec); 25, R. Gervase Elwes, *M. Inst. C.E.*; 26, Mrs. Elwes; 27, Miss Annie M. Fowler; 28, Judge W. A. Ross; 29, Miss Maggie Thomson; 30, Samuel S. Reveler.