

ENTOMOLOGICAL BRANCH.

Meeting No. 5 was held at Dr. Fletcher's rooms on the evening of March 5th.

Mr. Gibson showed a box of specimens of *Pseudohazis eglanterina* and *shastaensis*, and also *Hemileuca maia* with its variety *lucina* from Manitoba. He also gave an account of these insects and the method of their occurrence drawn from the literature of the subject. Inflated larvae were also exhibited.

Mr. Baldwin exhibited a pocket box of insects collected during the past summer. All the species submitted were identified.

Mr. Halkett showed a specimen of a blood worm, the larvae of one of the *Chironomidae* which had caused some excitement when it came through one of the taps of the water supply in one of the Government buildings.

Mr. Nelles, of the Alaska Coast Strip Survey Staff, exhibited a collection of very interesting and beautiful photographs taken during the past summer while in the field.

Mr. Harrington showed a box of some of the rarer and more interesting flies of the locality, at the same time reporting on the progress he had made in getting the Ottawa species identified. He also showed some very handsome foreign beetles. Some of these he had collected in Japan and others had been received from European correspondents.

Mr. Metcalfe exhibited a box of Ottawa Heteroptera and pointed out the differences between some of the closely allied species.

Mr. Young showed a beautiful case illustrating the life-history of *Limenitis disippus* with its food plant. A remarkable specimen of a willow twig showing eight of the larval hybernacula on successive leaves was included in this case. A box of notodontian larvae of the old genus *Cerura*, was also exhibited.

Dr. Fletcher spoke of the Apple Maggot, Plum Curculio, and Asparagus Beetle and showed preserved specimens mounted in a special way for exhibition at meetings.—J. F.