

HONORABLE R. A. PYNE, M.D.,
Minister of Education :

SIR,—The following check list and catalogue of biological specimens now in the Provincial Museum has been prepared under your authority and direction by Mr C. W. Nash, Lecturer on Biology for the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

There is reason to believe that the presentation of these lists will greatly facilitate the study of animal life on the part of our people, and especially of the young, whether they are pursuing systematic studies in natural history, or merely from a desire to acquire casual information relating to the subject.

The economic importance of knowledge concerning all forms of life is especially valuable in this Province, where so much depends on the science of agriculture.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Yours respectfully,

DAVID BOYLE.

Superintendent.