On the 16th of October the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—William Couper, President; M. Kollmar, Vice-President; F. B. Caulfield, Secretary-Treasurer; Council—G. J. Bowles, P. Knetzing and C. W. Pearson; Curator, William Hibbins.

By-Laws were framed for the guidance of the Branch, which were approved by the parent Society. Our monthly meetings have been regularly held and well attended, and your Council congratulate the Society on benefits derived. During the eight meetings which have been held, independent of the production of original communications on Entomology, there were remarkably good exhibitions of insects, which also tended to give additional information to members.

The first meeting of the Branch in August, 1873, consisted of seven members, and since then five additional members have been elected.

The following papers were read during the winter months:

"A Dissertation on Northern Butterflies," by William Couper; "On the Cicindelidæ Occurring on the Island of Montreal," by F. B. Caulfield; "On Some of the Benefits Derived from Insects," by F. B. Caulfield.

The following works have been donated during the year:-

"On Some Remarkable Forms of Animal Life from the Great Deeps of the Norwegian Coast," by G. O. Sars, 1 Vol.; "On Norwegian Crustaceans," by G. O. Sars, 2 Vol.; "Synopsis of the Acrididæ of North America," by Cyrus Thomas, 1 Vol.

Your Council would suggest that the Curator procure store boxes for the preservation of the specimens obtained for the Society during the approaching season. In this way the nucleus of a collection can be formed prior to the purchase of a cabinet, which your Council

trusts the Society will be possessed of before next winter.

Your Council would also suggest that members carry note-books wherein to record Entomological observations, especially relative to insects injurious to the crops; also, of such species as are considered beneficial in checking the progress of destructive insects. As this is one of the principal objects of the Society, field notes of this nature are always valuable, and should form subjects of investigation and discussion at our meetings. Attention should be given to the larval forms of insects, as this is a specialty of Entomology from which much knowledge is yet to be obtained.

Your Council strongly impress on the members to use their influence in promoting a knowledge of the importance of the study of Entomology, more especially with Agriculturists and horticulturists, in order to enable them to check the ravages of the numerous insects

injurious to vegetation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. W. PEARSON, GEO. JNO. BOWLES.

Wm. Couper, Chairman.

## ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SO-CIETY OF ONTARIO, 1874.

To the Members of the Entomological Society of Ontario: -

Gentlemen,—I beg to offer you again, after the lapse of a year, my hearty congratulations upon the continued prosperity of our Society. As you have already learnt from the Report of our Secretary-Treasurer, we have been favoured with a slight increase in our list of membership—as large, indeed, as can fairly be expected in a Society which confines itself to the study of a particular branch of Natural Science, and which cannot therefore attract into its ranks many who are not specially engaged, to some extent at least, in this limited field of investigation.

It is especially pleasing to find that our number of branches continues to increase—a highly successful one, with its headquarters in Montreal, having been organized since our last annual meeting. Its first annual report has been already presented to us in the pages of our

journal.

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