

is not merely a United States organization. It especially includes that potent and ambitious neighbor of ours to the northward that owns more than 3,000,000 square miles, or a full half of the North American continent. The association always counts with all confidence on its Canadian contingent. You can hear this afternoon an address from the honored Canadian vice president of one of our sections.

In the section of Geology and Geography, the Vice-President and Chairman, Mr. Whiteaves, gave an address "on the Devonian system in Canada," which will appear "in extenso" in the next number of *Science* and in the Transactions of the Association.

Mr. F. B. Taylor's paper on "The Galt Moraine and Associated Drainage" is an important contribution to our knowledge of the glacial geology of southern Ontario. And, in the same section (Geology and Geography), Miss Mary A. Fleming read a paper on the "Pot Holes of Foster's Flats, now called Niagara Glen," on the Canadian side of the Niagara River.

Besides a paper on "the Arboretum and Botanic Garden of the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa," read before the Botanical Club of the Association, Dr. Saunders read two papers before the Botanical Section, one entitled "The Breeding of Apples for the Northwest Plains," and the other "Useful Trees and Shrubs for the Northwest Plains of Canada."

In the section of Physics, Mr. F. A. Saunders read a paper entitled a "Bolometrical Study of the Radiation of an Absolute Black Body."

The Botanical Section devoted one day (Wednesday, called "Sullivant Day" in the programme) to a commemoration of the scientific labours of the late William S. Sullivant and Leo Lesquereux, who lived at Columbus, two of the earliest students of and authorities on North American mosses and hepaticæ.

The members of the Geological Section united with the Geological Society of America in giving one day, (Thursday) to an examination of the glacial phenomena in the neighborhood of Lancaster.

The weather was everything that could be desired, the general attendance at the meetings fairly large, the excursions both instructive and enjoyable, and the social functions brilliant and most successful.