

June 9th, Rideau Park.
June 16th, General Excursion, Galetta.
June 23rd, Hemlock Lake.
Sept. 18th, General Excursion, Chelsea.
Feb. 9th, Snowshoe Tramp, Beaver Meadow.
Feb. 23rd, Snowshoe Tramp, Rockliffe.

The Club regards its excursions as the strongest means of awakening public interest in its work and enlisting new members. This year, special efforts had been put forth to make the excursions as successful as possible, but an unusual number of rainy Saturdays interfered with the plans of the Club. When weather conditions were favorable, however, the excursions were well attended, and much good work was done, as appears in the reports of the excursions published from time to time in *THE OTTAWA NATURALIST*. The snowshoe tramps have shown that a great deal of field work can be carried on in winter. The botanists, for example, observed at Beaver Meadow the distribution of evergreens and deciduous trees, the occurrence of species easily passed by unnoticed in summer, the branching of deciduous trees, the persistent fruit of the Climbing Bittersweet, the characteristic winter appearance of the Juniper, various methods of bud-protection, and many other interesting features of winter vegetation. A continuance of field work in winter would be certain to reveal many things to which attention has not yet been directed because of the unfamiliarity of people in cities with woods in winter.

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1. Notes on a Collection of Fossil Fruits from Vermont, in the Museum of the Geological Survey of Canada, Dr. H. M. Ami.
2. On the Structure of Roots, Theo. Holm.
3. A May Morning with the Birds in New Brunswick, W. H. Moore.
4. List of some Fresh-water shells from Northwestern Ontario and Keewatin, Dr. J. F. Whiteaves.
5. The Migration of Birds, Rev. C. Eifrig.
6. The Ottawa Species of *Eriophorum*, J. M. Macoun.
7. A Sagacious Crow, A. H. Gallup.
8. The Chambord Meteorite, R. A. Johnston.
9. Nesting of Wilson's Snipe, Wm. L. Kells.