

Although Dr. Ami had spent a considerable part of the past season in field work he also represented the Geological Survey of Canada at the Centenary of the Geological Society of London, and by special request told of the meeting in London and some of his experiences there. What impressed him most was the appreciation shown by European geologists for the work of Canadians and the high estimation in which Canadian geologists are held by their confreres in England. No effort was spared to make the meeting a success socially as well as scientifically, the only drawback being that there was more to be seen and heard and done than there was time for.

A condensed report of Mr. F. T. Shutt's address on "Rain and Snow" was published in the December number of THE OTTAWA NATURALIST and a synopsis of Mr. A. Halkett's "Observations in the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan" will be found in the "Report of the Zoological Branch" published last month.

As is usual at the opening meeting there was an exhibition of specimens which included representatives of all branches of Natural History.

Dr. Bryce always has something of value to tell his audience and always tells it in an interesting manner, but it is not often that a lecturer addresses a more attentive audience than listened to him at the Carnegie Library, January 7th, when he lectured under the auspices of the Club on "Some Sanitary Considerations in the Construction, Heating and Ventilation of Dwellings." As Dr. Bryce's lecture will be published in THE OTTAWA NATURALIST at an early date no report of it need be given here. The Report of the Zoological Branch which has already been published was read at this meeting.

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MEETING OF THE BOTANICAL BRANCH.

The third meeting of the Botanical Branch was held at the home of Mr. A. E. Attwood January 18th. The members present were Messrs. Fletcher, Harrington, Cameron, Blackader, Campbell, Carter, Whyte, W. T. Macoun and J. M. Macoun. Mr. Attwood as a subject for discussion read the botanical part of a draft programme for Nature Study work in the lower grades of the Public Schools, now in course of preparation. He explained that his object in reading this tentative programme