

Assembly Hall of the Norman School and three, including this or the annual meeting, in the hall of the Carnegie Library. The first lecture for 1909-10 entitled "Home Birds and Wanderers," was given by Mr. W. E. Saunders, of London, Ont., and was illustrated with prepared birds' skins. The opening meeting, which followed this lecture a few evenings later, took the nature of a *conversazione* at which short addresses were delivered by a few members of the Club, besides which there was an exhibition of zoological, and botanical specimens, including some minute forms shown under the lens of the microscope, and an account of this meeting has already appeared in a recent issue of THE OTTAWA NATURALIST. We were next favoured with an address by our President entitled "Instinct and Education," in which was presented a great deal to stimulate our thinking faculties; and following this was an admirable lecture given by Mr. A. H. W. Cleave, F.R.M.S., entitled "Life," which was illustrated with a series of beautiful lantern slides. A very instructive lecture entitled "The Flora and Fauna of the West Coast of Vancouver Island," was delivered by Professor John Macoun and was illustrated with a great variety of interesting specimens. For the first time under the auspices of the Club, Dr. C. Gordon Hewitt and Mr. H. T. Gussow, F.R.M.S., each contributed a lecture: the former on "House Flies and their Relation to Public Health," and the latter on "A Plant Doctor and His Work." A series of slides at each of these lectures was shown upon the screen. The Club's lecture for the joint course entitled "Bacteria in Relation to Plant Life" was given by Professor F. C. Harrison, of the Macdonald College, and this lecture also was fully illustrated with slides. Altogether the Club is to be congratulated in that such an able body of specialists was secured, and we owe to them a debt of gratitude for the selection of their subjects, all of which proved to be most interesting and instructive.

THE FLETCHER MEMORIAL COMMITTEE.

This Committee has met many times during the Club year which closes to-night.

As has already been mentioned in the pages of THE OTTAWA NATURALIST, there has been a very warm response to the appeal of the Committee for subscriptions, from members of the Club and friends of the late Dr. Fletcher. On the evening of November 9th last, the Committee reported that by far the larger number of subscribers had favoured the suggestion that the memorial take the form of a drinking fountain to be erected at the Central Experimental Farm. It was then therefore moved by Mr. F. T.