

Association for the Advancement of Science, held in Buffalo, New York, our Society was represented by the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Mr. J. Alston Moffat. Our Society was honored in the election of our Secretary, Mr. E. Baynes Reed, to be Secretary of the Club. The local members did all in their power to make the gathering a pleasant one, and, in addition to the ordinary meetings, special entomological excursions took place which were much enjoyed by all. The collections of the several members residing in Buffalo, and the fine library belonging to the Society of Natural Science, were freely opened to the visiting members.

The entomological collections in the American National Museum at Washington, are being rapidly augmented under the energetic direction of the curator, Mr. John B. Smith. The valuable private collections which have been acquired, added to the large amount of material constantly accumulating and being rapidly arranged, have already made it a most valuable collection of reference. In accordance with a request made by the Minister of Agriculture for the Dominion, the valuable collection of our Society was specially prepared for exhibition during last winter, and forwarded early in the spring to the Colonial and Indian Exhibition, in London, where it has been an attractive object to visitors throughout the summer. In the work of preparation, most valuable aid was rendered by one of our esteemed fellow members, Mr. J. Alston Moffat, who devoted many weeks of consecutive labor to this end. Mention should also be made of the valuable aid rendered by our esteemed Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. E. Baynes Reed, and of his son Lawrence, also of a member of our Council, Mr. J. M. Denton, for it is to the combined efforts of these several individuals that our great success has been mainly due.

In bringing these brief remarks to a close, I desire to refer to the pleasure it has given me during many years past to fill, to the best of my ability, the post of honor in which, year after year, you have been pleased to place me. Public duties of an important character which I have recently undertaken, will, from this time forward, necessarily engross all my time, and in case my name should be mentioned again in connection with the position of President, I beg to state frankly that I shall be no longer able to serve you in this capacity. I regret also that I shall be compelled to relinquish the work of editing *THE CANADIAN ENTOMOLO-*