

LIBRARY.

The usual additions to the Library have been made in the way of exchanges for our BULLETIN, and a number of valuable scientific works were obtained at the sale of the Mechanics' Institute Library. Much work remains to be done to put the Library in proper order, and it is hoped that during the incoming year some of the improvements suggested in the last report will be made.

MUSEUM.

Much that is valuable has been added from time to time to our collections, but by far the most important addition in late years is that obtained by purchase from the Mechanics' Institute directors. Of the importance of this acquisition the Council will not now speak, as the President will refer to it in his address; but before leaving the subject your Council would state that it will entail considerable expense on the society, and would bespeak the sympathy of the members, as well as the citizens generally, in its endeavor to preserve to the city a collection of so much interest and importance.

BOTANY.

The Botanical Committee report that several species of plants new to the Province have been discovered, chiefly by Mr. Brittain, in the vicinity of Fredericton. The flora of certain sections of the Province has now been pretty thoroughly studied for new and rare species, but many other sections, embracing by far the larger portion of the Province, remains to be examined with minuteness and care.

BULLETIN.

BULLETIN No. VIII. was issued during the summer, and was sent to members and various societies on our exchange list. This BULLETIN contains an article of great value, giving as it does, much valuable information on the economical Mollusca of our Province.

In closing, the Council would take this opportunity of thanking those who have prepared papers for us, and to all others who have aided us in our work. Also to the daily press of the city for inserting preliminary notices of meetings.

Respectfully submitted.

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