

season, and the various papers presented during the two days' session. Among the latter are several by members of the Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club who attended the meeting, viz.: *Hydroecia micacea* in Canada, by Arthur Gibson; Some Beetle Haunts by an Amateur Botanist, by F. J. A. Morris, Port Hope; Notes on the Occurrence of *Lachnosternas* in 1908, and, Collecting with a Lantern-trap in 1908, by J. D. Evans, Trenton, Ont.; The Strawberry Weevil, by Prof. W. Lochead, Macdonald College, Que.; The Farmer's Woodlot, by Rev. T. W. Fyles, Levis, Que.; Life History of *Euchaetias oregonensis*, by H. H. Lyman, Montreal; and, Injurious Insects in Ontario in 1908, by Rev. Prof. Bethune, Guelph. Two excellent papers by Dr. E. P. Felt, Albany, N.Y., The Economic Importance and Food-habits of American Gall Midges, and, The Interpretation of Nature, also appear. An article of more than ordinary value is the Catalogue of the Gall Insects of Ontario, by T. D. Jarvis, Guelph, which arranges the species which he has found in his several years of collecting, under their host plants, and furnishes means of identification by the galls. A bibliography of references completes his useful treatment of the subject. The Entomological Record, which has for some years been contributed by James Fletcher and Arthur Gibson as a regular feature, again appears, presenting in a concise way the most valuable of the results of Canadian collectors' activities during the year. Also, the loss which entomology has suffered in the removal by death of two of its foremost representatives, Dr. Fletcher, late President of the Society, and Dr. W. H. Ashmead, of Washington, is given suitable recognition in brief references to their respective careers.

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OBITUARY.

THE LATE REV. CANON BURMAN, B.D.

The death of Canon W. A. Burman, which occurred on January 20th, is a heavy loss to the people of Winnipeg and of the Northwest. For so many years he has been among us that his place will indeed be difficult to fill.

The late Canon, who was a member of the Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club for many years, was an Englishman by birth and came to Manitoba in the late seventies. He entered the ministry in 1879 and soon became well known and loved for his work among the Sioux Indians. He was made Rural Dean of Brandon in 1886, and was given charge of the Rupert's Land Industrial School (Indian) in 1889. In 1893 he came into Winnipeg as incumbent of St. Peter's, combining with his duties there