MISCELLANEOUS NOTES.

A NEW DEPARTURE.—We invite especial attention to the card of that talented and well known Entomologist, Mr. Francis Gregory Sanborn. We heartily congratulate our esteemed confrere on the stand he has taken on the behalf of Practical Entomologists. Mr. Sanborn is thoroughly qualified, from his scientific attainments and personal reputation, to take this step, and we sincerely trust a new era may be dawning for Entomological Science, in which the professional skill of competent scientists may rece ve an equal share of recognition with that of members of the various other learned professions. We feel, however, quite satisfied that while Mr. Sanborn has laid down his terms of consultation, he will always be ready, as heretofore, to afford any information to brother Entomologists, or to students struggling to overcome the difficulties of the science.—[Editor C. E.]

STRANGALIA LUTEICORNIS.—On one of the last days of July, 1871, as I emerged from the woods which cover the eastern end of Bishop's Island—one of the most romantically situated of the Thousand Isles—I came upon a sunny glade, and in it stood a flowering shrub, (the name of which I do not know,) in full bloom. The blossoms were througed with the insect hosts-well nigh all orders being represented in sufficient variety to stock a fair-sized entomological cabinet. My attention was most attracted to the Coleoptera, from the great numbers of Typocerus fugax and some few specimens of Strangalia luteicornis. The latter, from the extreme narrowness of their bodies and elytra, as well as from their markings, were very noticeable; they were also particularly active, running over the flowers, taking to flight, or dropping down among the leaves in a way that almost defied capture. I, however, succeeded in taking one; and learning from a great authority in such matters, that though well known in Pennslyvania, it has not, as yet, been included among the natives of this Province, I make this note of the fact of my capture.—R. V. Rogers, Kingston.

Notes and Queries.— Trichius Bigsbii.—Gnorimus maculosus, Burmeister, Knoch. This insect seems to be very rare in this part of Canada. During nearly thirty years collecting, I have found only one specimen, taken at Drummondville, in the Niagara District. Other collections seem to have been equally unfortunate.

Pelidnota punctata.—Common about London and Niagara; has never to my knowledge, been found near Toronto.