

the 20th of April last, to Dr. Scudder for his contributions to entomology, is the fifth award made.

"The prize was first given in 1873 to Dr. Alexander Agassiz for his work on the embryology, geographical distribution and natural history of Echinoderms; second in 1880, to Prof. Joseph Leidy for his prolonged investigations and discoveries in zoology and palæontology; third in 1884, to Prof. James Hall for his work on North American palæontology; and fourth in 1892, to Prof. James D. Dana for his distinguished services in natural history."

ZOOLOGICAL NOTES.

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THE FIRST BAT OF THE SEASON.—On March 1st, at about 9 o'clock in the evening, a small bat was seen flying at the corner of Elgin and Sparks Streets, high above the heads of the crowd that had collected there to hear the results of the Ontario elections. The day had been bright and mild, but so early an appearance of a bat may have been due primarily to the unusual noise and light in the street below.—LAWRENCE LAMBE.

FIRST GENERAL EXCURSION OF THE SEASON.

The Council have arranged to hold the first General Field-Day of the season at Chelsea, the date and time being announced on the cover of this number. We feel sure from past experience of a large attendance. The charms of this lovely locality, so prolific in all objects of interest to naturalists, have always had a special attraction for our members and their friends. Most of the leaders have expressed their intention of being present, so there will be plenty of assistance for those desirous of it, for the naming of specimens, etc. Students of the Normal School and other educational institutions in the city are warmly invited to join the Field-Naturalists on this occasion, when as usual, all students and teachers will be supplied with tickets at club rates. The train leaves C. P. R. Depot at 1.30 p.m.