

the Mayflower (*Epigaea repens*) and other plants, also insects and rock specimens. A similar excursion was held on May 3rd to Beaver Meadow, west of Hull, Que., when fifty attended. Rideau Park, a new locality, was visited May 10th when forty or fifty members were present. Many plants were found but unfortunately the frost of the previous night had destroyed most of them. Considerable interest was taken in the boulder clay and Utica shale of this locality. Autumn sub-excursions were also held at the end of August and through September to Hull, Aylmer, Rockliffe and the Montreal Road, principally by the botanical and entomological branches. Roots of native violets and other perennial plants were collected. Sub-excursions were held by the entomologists to collect moss for sifting for insects in October, and a list of fifty-one species of beetles was made as well as representatives of some other orders of insects.

Two general excursions were held during the summer to Chelsea. The first on May 17th, when 250 members and friends of the Club attended, and the second on September 6th, when about 200 were present. Both excursions were highly successful.

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THE OTTAWA NATURALIST has been published regularly under the continued editorship of Mr. James M. Macoun. Volume XVI has been completed, consisting of twelve numbers which contain 248 pages and four plates. Uncoloured copies of the Geological Map of the city of Ottawa and vicinity were purchased from the Geological Survey Department for distribution with the December number of THE OTTAWA NATURALIST to all Canadian members of the Club. This map is on the scale of one mile to an inch and covers an area of over twenty miles square. Some copies which remain may still be purchased from the treasurer.

The following are some of the more important papers published during the year :

Birds of Sable Island, N.S.; Canadian Hummingbirds, by W. E. Saunders.

Five New Ranunculi; New Northwestern Plants, by Edw. L. Greene.