

REVIEW.

SUMMARY REPORT OF THE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR
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This report, as usual, records the additions that have been made to the Geological Museum during the year. These include a large number of mineral specimens and fossils collected chiefly by members of the staff. Mr. Spreadborough, who collected on Vancouver Island during part of the summer, sent in skins of 94 mammals and 172 birds, and in a few weeks Mr. Harold Tufts collected 171 skins of birds and mammals in Nova Scotia. From the Ottawa region two interesting specimens were secured, one an albino Virginian deer, from North Wakefield, the other a black chipmunk from Kingsmere. The museum staff, in anticipation of the completion of the new Victoria Museum, is collecting material for exhibition there and Prof. Macoun reports that in addition to the mounted specimens in the museum, 2,302 bird skins and 1,106 skins of mammals are stored in air-tight boxes and unless for purpose of comparison will not be disturbed until needed for the new Museum. Mr. Spreadborough is in the field this winter hunting and trapping large mammals. Of the mammal skins now stored away, 439 are of large mammals and 667 of small ones, sufficient material in itself to make a very creditable showing. Over 72,000 sheets of flowering plants in the herbarium have been catalogued and numbered. A collection of woods on a large scale was commenced last summer and trunks of 41 species of trees were secured. A series of tree photographs was begun at the same time, forty species being photographed. These photographs will be a permanent record of our forest trees and the condition of the forests at the present time. As is the case with all reports issued now by the Geological Survey, a very complete and carefully prepared index closes the volume.

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For some unexplained reason the paging of the last number of THE NATURALIST was changed by the printer. The October number ended with page 120, but the November number begins with page 153. The error was not noticed by the Editor until after the November issue was distributed, and nothing can now be done to rectify it. Pages 121-152 inclusive will be missing from Vol. XXI.