

go with him for a very large measure of his success in his new sphere of action.

ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF ONTARIO. The 45th annual meeting of this important society was held at the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, on November 5th and 6th. The meeting was a most successful one and much interest was shown in the various papers read at the different sessions. The whole of the first afternoon was taken up in a discussion of the chief insect pests of the season, fruit insects being specially treated of. At the first evening meeting Dr. E. P. Felt, New York State Entomologist, of Albany, delivered a splendid lecture on "The Interpretation of Nature." This was illustrated with particularly good slides. At the second evening meeting Rev. Dr. Fyles, of Levis, Que., in his own charming manner, spoke on "The Farmers' Woodlot"; Prof. W. Lochhead, of Macdonald College, on "What the Fruit Grower and Farmer should know about Entomology" and Rev. Prof. Bethune on "Injurious Insects in Ontario in 1908." At this meeting too, a paper on "The Present condition of the work connected with the importation of foreign parasites of the Gypsy and the Brown-tail Moths," by Dr. L. O. Howard, of Washington, D.C., was read. Besides Prof. Lochhead and Rev. Prof. Bethune, other members of the Ottawa Field-Naturalists' Club who attended the meeting and contributed papers were: Messrs. C. W. Nash and J. B. Williams, of Toronto; H. H. Lyman, of Montreal; F. Morris, of Port Hope; and Arthur Gibson, of Ottawa. Mr. J. D. Evans, of Trenton, was unable to attend the meeting, but sent two very interesting papers which were read. The Entomological Society of Ontario is doing splendid work in Canada. It has five active Branches, viz: at Quebec, Montreal, Toronto, Guelph and Victoria. A full account of the proceedings of the above meeting will be found in the annual report of the Society which will soon be published.

THE OCCURRENCE OF THE AMERICAN WOODCOCK (*PHILOHELA MINOR*) IN MANITOBA.—On August 10th, while hunting insects in an old river-course—now a partially dried slough—near Westbourne, Manitoba, Mr. H. E. Chaplin, of Roland, and I were surprised at flushing a bird which we instantly recognized as the Woodcock. A few minutes' search was rewarded by finding the characteristic holes made by the bird, but no other Woodcock was seen. On mentioning the incident to Mr. Fred Rhind, of Westbourne, he told me that some twenty years ago a number of Woodcocks had been shot about the same spot we had seen the bird, but that of late years they had not been noticed. He also stated that in 1902, or 1903, Woodcocks were