

tubers were analysed by a very careful chemist, but not a trace of arsenic could be found. Again, with regard to the injury to apples, the poison should not be applied until after the petals have fallen, and when consequently the ovaries are fertilised and the stigmatic disk is incapable of absorbing anything, much less a caustic solution of arsenic.

Here the general broad principles upon which insect remedies are applied was explained and listened to with interest.

Before closing the President said,—It is with feelings of the deepest regret that I have to refer to a severe loss our Society has sustained since the last meeting in the removal by death of one of its most active and esteemed members, Mr. George J. Bowles, of Montreal. This gentleman was for several years a member of the Council, and was also, at the time of his death, the President of the Montreal Branch, in which he always took a keen interest, and in the foundation of which he took an active part. His quiet, modest manner made him a favourite with all his associates, while his ability as a naturalist was acknowledged by every one who had intercourse with him. He was a regular contributor to the publications of the Society, and also prepared many valuable papers for the Montreal Branch.

He paid particular attention to the lepidoptera, of which he had extensive and choice collections both of Canadian and exotic species.

Mr. Bowles was a native of Quebec, where he was born in 1837; he leaves a wife and three children, for whom, in their bereavement, our deepest sympathy is called forth.

Another of our members who has passed away is Mr. Charles Chapman, of London. Mr. Chapman as well as taking an active interest in our Society, was also a patron of art, and has been styled the Father of the Western Ontario Art School.

In closing, I wish to draw special attention to the beautiful collection of Coleoptera exhibited by Mr. Harrington this evening, and this collection, I think, will illustrate some of the points upon which I have spoken to-night. The method and care with which they are arranged, and the neatness with which all are named and mounted, point out far better than I can explain the educational value of the study of Entomology.

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