

vinced, a source of the greatest benefit, not only to the agricultural interests, but to those of science and general progress. At this stage of the meeting refreshments of a very tempting character were distributed by Mrs. Saunders, who had been most unremitting in her kindly attentions to those present during the afternoon. As the usual hour of returning home had some time gone by, Prof. Woods was deputed by the Council to offer the thanks of the Club to Professor and Mrs. Saunders for their kindness and hospitality. This task performed in appropriate terms, the party embarked for the city, thoroughly pleased and satisfied with their "outing."

EXCURSION TO AYLMER.

The second excursion of the season was held on Saturday, the 25th June, when a party of forty-eight went out to Aylmer by the 1.15 P.M. train. Upon arrival at that village the President, Mr. R. B. Whyte, announced that the geologists, under the guidance of Mr. Sowter, would examine certain exposures of rock in the vicinity, while the remainder of the party would proceed a short distance along the shore to Blueberry Point (below the village). This was found a most charming place, offering a rich and diversified flora to the botanists, and the attractions of the lake-shore to those who preferred to loiter there. Happily the majority of those present desired to make investigations into the natural history of the locality, and they were soon scattered around assiduously collecting and examining the many objects of interest. Even those who were not of a scientific turn found two plants of much interest growing in grateful abundance—the strawberry and blueberry. As the afternoon wore on the collectors, with well-filled vascula, formed groups under the shade of the pines near the beach, and examined and discussed their finds. By five o'clock all were once more assembled and the President, calling the meeting to order, requested the Leaders to enlighten them in regard to the collections. Mr. Fletcher, as botanical leader, stated that although it was the object of the Club to give to all the "outings" the nature of "classes" as well as mere collecting parties, no systematic course of study had been deemed advisable. The more interesting specimens collected had been