

Some of the lower strata consist of coarse sandstones with occasional films of shaly or argillaceous materials interstratified. Amongst the forms observed and not hitherto recorded from this locality was the *Lingula Lyelli*, Billings, described originally from the Chazy of Allumette Island. A number of new tracks and trails of marine organisms were also noted and a large suite of specimens secured which will add considerable information to the fauna of those seas whenever figured and described.

*Publications.* As stated at the outset, a number of contributions on the geology of the Ottawa district have been prepared and published during the past year which will enable the student of Geology in our midst to prosecute his researches with greater facility.

*A Geological Map.* I scarcely think that I am giving out a state secret when I say that there is hope that before this season is over the Geological Survey Department will have issued from its press the long-looked-for map of the "Ottawa District."

Thanks to the energy of Dr. A. R. C. Selwyn and of his successor Dr. Dawson, as directors of the Geological Survey of Canada, the plan of issuing geological maps for the leading cities or centres of activity and thought in Canada will find its expression in the issue of the first of the series in "A Geological Map of Ottawa and its environs;" but whilst the initial steps were taken, as remarked above, by Drs. Selwyn and Dawson during their terms of office, it was reserved to Dr. Bell, acting Director of the same Survey and also the President of the O. F. N. Club, to see the practical completion of the work.

The Club hails with special pleasure the publication of the map in question, especially the Geological branch, for, within the area covered by the map many of the geological phenomena recorded and described in the Transactions of the Club for the past twenty-two years are therein embodied. There is nothing like a map on which one can lay down statements and facts in geology and geography which is, according to the latest definition, only a branch of geology, after all. Not only in the department of Geology will the said map be of use, but also for the Botanical, the Zoological and other sections of the Club. Faunal and floral