

(2) *E. desecta*—Also discovered by Mr. Tyrrell in a pond at Deschene, Que. This form is related to *E. undulosa*, Kœnike.

(3) *E. triangulifera*—Pond at Deschenes, collected by Mr. J. B. Tyrrell. A form showing some characters allied to *E. desecta*, Kœnike, and to *E. Mulleri*, Kœnike.

The Rideau Canal and the ponds about Ottawa have only been partially examined as yet by the members of our Club, and we hope that future researches will disclose the rich fauna waiting to be discovered.—H. M. A.

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### THE LECTURE COURSE.

The joint course of Lectures under the auspices of the Ottawa Literary and Scientific Society and of the Ottawa Field Naturalists' Club is now over and a brief synopsis is given of the events as they took place.

By kind permission of the Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education for Ontario, and of Dr. J. A. MacCabe, Principal of the Provincial Normal School, Ottawa, the hall was again placed at our disposal for the said course of free public lectures. The following comprise the series of evening soirees :

NOVEMBER 9TH, 1896.—On this evening between 8 and 10.30 p.m. was held a *Conversazione* and *Microscopical Soiree* at which Principal MacCabe, Mr. Shutt, Mr. Klotz, and Mr. A. H. Macdougall gave brief addresses. These were followed by five-minute talks on Natural History, illustrated with microscopic slides thrown upon a white screen by means of an electric projection microscope furnished for the occasion by Mr. H. M. Ami. This method of presenting microscopical objects before so vast an audience as was present on that occasion proved most interesting and satisfactory. Dr. Fletcher spoke on insects and plants ; Mr. Odell on living organisms in water ; Prof. Prince on various Zoological and Anatomical preparations whilst Dr. Ami introduced thin sections of corals and rocks and spoke briefly upon their structure and characters.