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THE REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF THE OTTAWA FIELD-NATURALISTS' CLUB FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 19TH, 1907.

The Club membership has now passed the 300 mark. During the year twenty-three new ordinary members have been elected, bringing the present membership up to 301, composed of 293 ordinary members and eight corresponding members.

SOIRÉES.

The Soirée Committee is to be congratulated upon the excellent programme of lectures it has provided this winter, and also upon its departure in printing the programme in neat pocket form, besides publishing it as usual in *THE OTTAWA NATURALIST*.

The opening soirée was held on December 6th, when the President, Mr. Wilson, gave an able and timely address on the benefits and pleasures to be derived from a participation in the work of the Club. Dr. Jas. Fletcher then read a short paper, prepared by Prof. Bradley, of the University of California, on "An Entomological Excursion to the Selkirk Mountains." The paper was illustrated by a number of excellent slides. The remainder of the evening was given up to a demonstration exhibition. Rev. Mr. Eifrig, by means of mounted specimens, a field glass, and popular books on birds, gave a demonstration of first steps in ornithology, using color as a means of identification.

On January 8th, Mr. D. A. Campbell gave a demonstration on the Physics of the Atmosphere. The various laws of gases and many interesting phenomena were illustrated in a series of well-chosen experiments, so skilfully performed as to call forth frequent applause.

Dr. P. H. Bryce, Chief Medical Officer of the Dept. of the Interior, addressed the Club on The Relation of Climate to Health, with special reference to prevention and treatment of tuberculosis. This address, one of the ablest ever delivered before the Club, is shortly to appear in full in *THE OTTAWA NATURALIST*.