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## EDMUND BAYNES REED.

The older members of the Entomological Society of Ontario will, no doubt, welcome with much pleasure the portrait of MR. EDMUND BAYNES REED, which is prefixed to this number of our magazine. He was one of the small band who originated the Society on the 16th of April, 1863, and is one of the few survivors who may expect to commemorate its fortieth anniversary next month.

Mr. Reed came to Canada from England when a young man, and took up his abode in London, where he, for some time, practised his profession as a lawyer. Later on he became Secretary-Treasurer of the Synod of the Diocese of Huron, and continued to occupy this position till he left for British Columbia in 1890. He was always devoted to Natural History, and especially to the collection and study of insects. His leisure time was largely given up to these pursuits and to the work of the Entomological Society, in which he took the warmest interest. He and Dr. Saunders were instrumental in forming the London Branch of the Society and keeping up the enthusiasm of its members. When the headquarters of the Society were removed to London, and there was, in consequence, no further need of a Branch, Mr. Reed took an active part in everything that was done, and gave most material help in the formation and increase of the Library and collections. He was Secretary-Treasurer of the Society in 1871-2-3, and from 1880 to 1886; Vice-President in 1874, 1877, and from 1887 to 1889; member of the Council from 1874 to 1876, and in 1878-9; and during many of these years Librarian and Curator in addition. The following extract from the report of the Council for the year ending August 31st, 1890, bears testimony to his usefulness and services:

"In consequence of the removal of Mr. E. Baynes Reed from London to British Columbia, to take charge of the Dominion Meteorological Station at Victoria, it will be necessary to make some new arrangements