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### PROCEEDINGS OF SOCIETIES.

#### CAMBRIDGE ENTOMOLOGICAL CLUB.

14 JAN. 1881. — 73rd meeting. This being the seventh annual and the fourth annual corporate meeting, an election of officers for the year was held, with the following result: *President*, E: Laurens Mark; *Secretary and Treasurer*, B: Pickman Mann; *Librarian*, Clifford Chase Eaton; *Executive Committee*, The President, Secretary and Treasurer, *ex officio*, and S: Hubbard Scudder, E: Payson Austin and E: Burgess; *Editor of Psyche*, B: Pickman Mann.

Mr. W: Trelease, Prof. Selim Hobart Peabody, and Mr. J: Sterling Kingsley were elected members.

The retiring president, E: Burgess, made, in place of an annual address, some remarks upon the internal structure of the head of the cockroach and grasshopper, illustrated by original drawings, which he had prepared for the second report of the United States Entomological commission.

The death of Mr. Edwin C: Prentiss, the compositor upon the third volume of PSYCHE, who had so faithfully carried on his business connection with the publication, was announced. [See PSYCHE, Oct. 1880 (12 Feb. 1881), v. 3, p. 128.]

11 FEB. 1881.—74th meeting. The fourth annual report of the Secretary and Treasurer, dated as of the January meeting, was read.

Five members have been elected during the past year. The present number of resident members is sixteen and that of non-resident members fifty-nine, an increase of three. Of 107 persons elected members, 5 have died and 27 have retired from various other causes. Thirteen principal communications have been presented by five members. The second volume of PSYCHE, except the indices, has been completed and distributed. The deficit upon the account of the first volume of PSYCHE is now \$76.64, and that upon the second volume \$126.16, with considerable expenses still to be incurred, leaving out of account the cash advanced toward defraying the expenses of the second volume by one of the members of the Club.

Owing to the arrangement made for the publication of the third volume, the deficit does not appear upon the Treasurer's books.

The permanent publication fund amounts to \$173.05.

The report of the Librarian shows the library to be in good condition, containing 799 publications exclusive of separate volume numbers. The principal source of accession has been as usual, by gift from individuals and societies, the Club having no funds with which to buy books. A card catalog of the works in the library is nearly completed.

*(To be continued.)*

#### GOSSE'S OBSERVATIONS ON THE BUTTERFLIES OF NORTH AMERICA.

GOSSE, whose popular writings on English natural history are well known, spent several years in Canada, a year in Alabama, and some time in Jamaica. He has recorded his out-door observations in these places in three distinct books, all of them now very rare, and to many scarcely known. That upon Jamaica covered the birds only; the others were of a more miscellaneous character and were entitled "The Canadian naturalist; a series of conversations on the natural history of Lower Canada" (London, 1840. 12+372 p., 12°); and "Letters from Alabama, U. S., chiefly relating to natural history" (London, 1859. 12+306 p., 16°). His residence in Canada was fixed at Sherbrooke, a short



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