

The election of officers for 1923 resulted as follows:—

Honorary President.....	F. Kermode
President.....	L. E. Marmont
Vice-President (for Coast).....	R. S. Sherman
“ (for Interior).....	M. H. Ruhmann

Advisory Board:

The Officers, and J. Davidson, W. Downes, E. Hearle, W. H. Lyne, and E. P. Venables.

Honorary Secretary-Treasurer.....R. Glendenning, Agassiz, B. C.

Hon. Auditor.....W. S. Moore, J.P.

It was decided, according to precedent, to hold the 1924 meeting in Victoria, B. C.

REPORTS OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER, 1922

I beg to submit a report on the following subjects:—

Finances,

Publication of Proceedings,

Catalogue of Library,

Incorporation,

The Society's Cup and the Encouragement of Entomology in Schools, and

Membership.

The **Finances** are tolerably satisfactory. After spending just over \$300 on printing, we have in hand \$73 and no liabilities. This sum, with the usual Provincial grant which we have been promised, will place us comfortably off, if not in affluence, during 1923.

PUBLICATION OF PROCEEDINGS

Only one number of our Proceedings was published this year. This, No. 20, consisted of two valuable systematic papers, the report and our President's address.

There has been keen demand for this number, and I think we have enhanced the value of our Proceedings by its publication.

CATALOGUE OF LIBRARY

It has been found impossible to get anyone to undertake this task, consequently our members are still quite in the dark regarding what books are available for borrowing. It had been decided to distribute mimeographed copies of the list to members.

INCORPORATION

The by-laws, a declaration, the consent of the Ontario Society, all duly signed and witnessed, were with considerable trouble gotten to-

gether and submitted to the Registrar, only to be returned on account of our by-laws as revised and adopted at our last meeting not conforming to the requirements of the act.

The cost will be approximately \$25, and, should you still wish to become incorporated, it will be necessary for us to revise our by-laws to-day and provide for the \$25 in our next year's expenditure.

ENCOURAGEMENT OF ENTOMOLOGY IN SCHOOLS

This subject has been approached from two directions; firstly, by giving a cup for an exhibit of insects; and, secondly, by co-operating with and endeavouring to render assistance and advice to the Director of Elementary Agricultural Education, Mr. Gibson.

With regard to the latter, the Advisory Board, to whom the matter was referred at our last meeting, have suggested certain methods for use in schools, and have endorsed Mr. Gibson's idea of short circulars for instruction purposes.

The offering of a cup, which cost over \$50, has, I am sorry to say, met with no adequate response in the matter of encouraging Entomology in the schools of the Province, and the cup has now passed out of the Society's possession, being won thrice by the John Norquay School, South Vancouver.

MEMBERSHIP

This now stands at 32 fully paid-up members. This is a decrease of about 10, and, while this is to be regretted, the greater number of those retiring were not active members.

As secretary, I regret the growing apathy of the old brigade of amateur systematists, which has been increasingly noticeable during the past year.

R. GLEDDENING,
Hon. Sec.-Treas.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

To the Members of the British Columbia
Entomological Society:

Gentlemen,—

I have much pleasure in welcoming you to the 22nd Annual Meeting of the Society.

The past year has not been marked by any unusual or outstanding event or feature pertaining to the progress of the Society, but I may say that we have maintained our position financially and otherwise satisfactorily, and enter another year with a fairly good cash balance, and this in spite of the fact that the printing of our proceedings, which has hitherto been done gratis by the Government, had to be met out of our own funds.