

of Ottawa, as the representative of our Society. We would call attention to the following letter from Mr. Fletcher:—

MY DEAR SIR,—Having been honored by the Council of the Entomological Society of Ontario by being nominated as the delegate to represent that Society at the approaching meeting of the Royal Society of Canada, I shall feel obliged if any members who are desirous of availing themselves of the privilege extended by the Royal Society of having papers read before that learned body, will correspond with me without delay, so that I may make the necessary arrangements.

I am, my dear sir, yours truly,

J. FLETCHER.

OBITUARY.

It becomes our painful duty to announce the death of one of the founders of our Society and its first President, Prof. Henry Croft. He died at Hermanitas, Texas, on the 28th of April, of dropsy, aged 63 years. Ever since the organization of our Society he has taken the deepest interest in its welfare. Early in life while in Europe he was an ardent collector, devoting most of his attention to Hymenoptera; but after accepting the position of Professor of Chemistry in the University of Toronto, which he filled with much credit for many years, his time was so fully occupied with his professional duties as to leave him but little opportunity for entomological pursuits. Yet he never lost his interest in this, his favorite department of natural history. For many years past his eyesight had failed to such an extent as to prevent his collecting, and his health also was too poor to permit of it. Several years ago he resigned his position in the University and removed to Texas with his family, with the hope of benefiting his health. His death was quite unexpected. One of his much esteemed colleagues thus writes of him: "His last letter to me, written about ten days before his death, showed much of his old interest in natural history, some of his familiar humor, and a kindly interest in his friends here. I look back with pleasure on many years of work with him as a colleague. I ever found him genuinely straightforward, guileless and upright." His memory will ever be cherished by those of us who knew him well as a kind and disinterested friend.