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We have much pleasure in presenting to our readers, at the beginning of a new volume of the CANADIAN ENTOMOLOGIST, an excellent portrait of Mr. HENRY HERBERT LYMAN, of Montreal, who has recently retired from the Presidency of the Entomological Society of Ontario. He was born at Montreal, on the 21st of December, 1854, and received his early education at the West End Academy and the High School, winning at the latter the Davidson medal. At McGill University, to which he proceeded, he took the degree of B. A. (Logan medalist in Geology and Natural Sciences) in 1876, and M. A. in 1880.

In 1877 he entered the firm of Lymans, Clare & Co., wholesale druggists, in Montreal, which two years later assumed the present name of Lyman, Sons & Co. He is now senior partner and also president of the Lyman Bros. & Co. (Limited), Toronto. These business houses are widely known throughout the Dominion, and have always been distinguished for their upright dealing, energy and enterprise.

Mr. Lyman has also been an active member of the volunteer force; he joined the 5th Battalion, now the Royal Scots of Canada, in 1877, as an Ensign, and rose to be Major in 1885, with which rank he retired in 1891. He has further manifested his loyalty by becoming a Fellow of the Royal Colonial Institute, and a member of the Council of the British Empire League.

When less than eight years old he began to take an interest in insects, and to observe their ways, and when only twelve he started to form

a collection of Lepidoptera, which has now become one of the finest in Canada. His first printed observations on insects appeared in the 6th volume of this magazine (1874), and he has since contributed to seventeen of the succeeding volumes; he has also furnished useful and interesting papers to several of the Annual Reports of the Society. The value of his scientific work and attainments has been widely recognized. Since 1891 he has been a member of the Editing Committee of this magazine; in 1895 and '96 he was elected Vice-President of the Society, and in 1897 he became President. He held this highest place in the Society for two years, to the great satisfaction of the members, and retired at the last annual meeting. He is also a Vice-President of the Natural History Society of Montreal, and member of a number of Scientific Societies in the United States. For the last thirteen years he has been President of the Montreal Branch of the Entomological Society of Ontario, and has done more than anyone else to keep alive the enthusiasm of the members, and to encourage all who show any interest in the subject to persevere in the study. During all these years nearly all the monthly meetings have been held at his home, and the members have greatly enjoyed his generous hospitality.

Mr. Lyman is a notable example of what a busy man can do. Though engrossed all day long with the duties and cares of a very extensive business, which demands, more, perhaps, than any other, a close attention to innumerable details, he yet finds time not only for the pleasures of an energetic collector of insects, but also for the performance of much careful and conscientious scientific work. His published papers are valuable contributions to science, being always characterized by thorough accuracy of statement, and showing the results of painstaking and long-continued research.

NOTE ON DANAIS ARCHIPPUS, FAB.

On the 30th October last I found, on the grounds of the Central Experimental Farm, a chrysalis of *Danais Archippus*, Fab. This was attached to a twig of maple, about seven feet from the ground, and was quite green. When I had kept it in the office for two days it began to darken, and on the 4th November the butterfly emerged, but in a crippled condition. This occurrence is rather interesting, and the question arises, If the chrysalis had been allowed to remain on the tree, would it have given the butterfly this autumn or not until next spring? It would be interesting to know if any other person has observed the chrysalis of this butterfly so late in the season as the above, and with what results. ARTHUR GIBSON, Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa.