

NEWS AND NOTES.

Prof. Thomas A. Williams, editor-in-chief of the *Asa Gray Bulletin* and assistant chief of the Division of Agrostology, U. S. Department of Agriculture, died on the morning of Dec. 23, 1900.

At the 10th annual meeting of the Ohio State Academy of Science, held at Columbus, on December 26 and 27, thirty-one papers were read—12 pertaining to botany, 8 to zoology, 6 to geology, 3 to meteorology, and 2 to anthropology. The following are the officers for the coming year: President, August D. Selby, Wooster; 1st Vice Pres., Rev. H. Herzer, Marietta; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. W. A. Kellerman, Columbus; Secretary, E. L. Moseley, Sandusky; Treasurer, Herbert Osborn, Columbus; members of executive committee besides the president, secretary and treasurer, Thos. Bonser, Carey; Lynds Jones, Oberlin; trustees, F. M. Webster, Wooster; H. C. Beardslee, Cleveland; W. R. Lazenby, Columbus; publication committee, F. M. Webster, Wooster; John H. Schaffner, Columbus; L. H. McFadden, Westerville; Librarian, W. C. Mills, Columbus.

Since some criticism has been made, both at home and abroad, on the name of THE O. S. U. NATURALIST, it has been thought best to make a slight change by dropping the words, State University. Although a change in name is unfortunate it will not be very serious at the present time and hereafter the name will be THE OHIO NATURALIST, which is perhaps more descriptive of the scope of the journal and much better for purposes of citation.

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