

OBITUARY.

On the 16th of October there passed away, at Peterborough, one of the original members of the Entomological Society of Ontario. The REV. VINCENT CLEMENTI, B. A., died at the age of eighty-seven years. He was a clergyman of the Church of England, but had retired from active service some years ago, in consequence of failing eyesight and other infirmities. Born in England, the son of a famous musical composer, U. Clementi, Esq., and educated at the University of Cambridge, he came to Canada in 1855 and settled in Peterborough. In 1863 he was appointed rector of Lakefield, where he remained for eleven years; he then became rector of Lindsay, and on his retirement returned to Peterborough to spend the rest of his days. He was an active member of the Masonic Society, and rose to be Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Ontario. In his younger days, and indeed throughout the whole of his life, he was devoted to natural history, horticulture, and art, and was especially interested in entomology. He contributed occasionally to the early volumes of this magazine, and took a hearty interest in the welfare and success of the Society. His water-colour drawings of insects were remarkable for their accuracy and beauty of execution. He was held in the highest respect and regard by all who knew him, and died in a good old age, a devout and upright man. To his sorrowing widow, the aged partner of his life, we beg to tender our deep and respectful sympathy.

BOOK NOTICES.

GENERAL INDEX TO MISS ORMEROD'S REPORTS ON INJURIOUS INSECTS, 1877 TO 1898.—By Robert Newstead, F. E. S. London: Simpkin, Marshal & Co. (Price, 18 pence.)

For twenty-two years Miss Ormerod has been issuing her valuable Reports of Observations on Injurious Insects, and in them has furnished a most useful mine of information regarding all the principal insects that have been productive of injury in the British Isles during this long series of years. To render this mine readily available at any moment, a very satisfactory index has been prepared by Mr. Newstead. The greater part of it consists of a "General Index," in which reference is given to every insect treated of in the Reports under its scientific name, with references also to habits, modes and subjects of attack, etc. This is fol-