

# IN MEMORIAM

## MONTAGUE CHAMBERLAIN

Died at Boston, Mass., December, 1924

A little while ago (*The Canadian Field-Naturalist*, XXXVII, 1923, p. 40) we had occasion to call attention to Montague Chamberlain, one of our distinguished predecessors in Canadian ornithology. It is now our sad duty to record his final passing.

Mr. Chamberlain was born in St. John, New Brunswick, April 5, 1844, received his education in the private schools of that city, and remained in business there until 1887. In 1889 he was appointed Assistant Secretary to the Harvard Corporation, Cambridge, Mass., Later and until 1900 he was Secretary to the Lawrence Scientific School. In 1907 he married Miss Anna Sartoris Prout of Petersburg, Virginia, who died in 1913. After this he turned back to his old New Brunswick home for a while, but his last years were spent in the Boston vicinity again, engaged in the recreation of horticulture, especially in the cultivation of gladiolas.

Mr. Chamberlain was one of the leading ornithologists of his earlier days. He became Corresponding Member of the Nuttall Club in 1881 and

a Resident Member in 1885. He was one of the Founders of the American Ornithologists' Union. He was also interested in Anthropology and in 1889 published a *Maliseet Vocabulary* and *The Penobscot Indians*. In 1904 he established a library of over a thousand volumes for the Indians at Old Town, Maine.

His ornithological publications relate mainly to Canada. The *Nuttall Bulletin* and the early numbers of *The Auk* contain many notes from his pen. His major ornithological works are: *A Catalogue of the Birds of New Brunswick*, *Bull. Nat. Hist. Soc. of N.B.*, 1882, *A Catalogue of Canadian Birds*, 1887; *Birds of Greenland*, 1891; an edition of *Nuttall's Manual* that went through three editions, 1891, 1896, and 1903; and a brief account of *Some Canadian Birds*, 1895.

It is unfortunate for us that Mr. Chamberlain did not continue his ornithological activity to the end; we had much to expect from him. However, he was one of the pioneers of Canadian ornithology and it is owing largely to his work that many of our paths are smooth and straight, as he and his generation prepared the way for us as we are doing for those of the future.—P. A. T.

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