

equally nimble. Will you therefore kindly tell me their names, and what you know of their economy?—Henry Reeks, East Woodhay, May 24, 1871. [Ans. These minute insects were so clogged with the gum introduced for the purpose of preventing their escape, that I cannot decide with certainty on their names: I believe, however, that they are a species of Poduridae, perhaps *Smynthurus fuscus*. I should much like to see living specimens; they may be sent safely in a glass tube. The fact of such insects being destructive to rape and turnips is quite new to me, and is very interesting.]

—*The Entomologist, July, 1871.*

ENTOMOLOGISTS IN FRANCE. The second seige, by which Paris has suffered so much, has spared the persons of entomologists, but has utterly annihilated or greatly damaged many of their collections and libraries. Dr. Laboulbene, who resided in the rue du Bac, had a part of his house caught by the flames, and a great part of his library destroyed. M. Bouland's collection was shattered to atoms by shells, and many collections have suffered great injury from the partial explosion of the Luxembourg powder-mills: happily a tenth part only of the powder exploded: had the project of exploding the whole been successful, the collections in the Museum itself must have been destroyed. M. de Marseul's collection is uninjured. Almost all the provincial entomologists of France are in safety, and eagerly pursuing their favorite study, a solace in their troubles. At Strasbourg the fine collection of M. Gauber is safe, and likewise those of MM. Koechlin and Zuber-Hofer at Dornach, while that of M. Guenee, at Chateaudun, has entirely escaped the destruction of the town by the Prussians, who have taken both the collections and the books of M. Estienne, from the same town.—*Petites Nouvelles Entomologiques.*

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