

Insects in Winter. Not that these are more noteworthy than the rest, but they will serve to give an indication of the contents of the work.

Dr. Weed's "Stories of Insect Life" have been much appreciated, and we are sure that his "Nature Biographies" will be still more enjoyed, and will lead many, old as well as young, to observe for themselves some of the wonders of the insect world—some of the marvels that every day surround us.

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Mr. P. Wytzman (108 Boulevard du Nord, Brussels, Belgium) has issued the prospectus of a proposed elaborate and important work, viz., "Genera Insectorum" of the world. It is to be issued, provided one hundred subscribers can be secured, in quarto parts, each containing about 72 pages of text, and 7 plain or coloured plates. The price of each part will be five dollars, and it is expected that 75 parts will be required to complete the work. It is hoped that well-endowed libraries, both in Europe and America, will render the publication practicable; it is far beyond the means of all but very few individuals.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE.—The annual meeting will be held at Denver, Colorado, August 24th to 31st, where it is expected that there will be a large attendance of members from all parts of the continent.

The thirteenth annual meeting of the Association of Economic Entomologists will be held at the same place, beginning at 10 a.m. on Friday, August 23rd.

The editor desires to thank some unknown correspondents for sending him (1) a pair of *Attacus promethea* and cocoon, and (2) a specimen of the rare Sphinx moth, *Triptogon modesta*. He would remind correspondents that it is in all cases desirable to place upon the outside of a package the name and address of the sender, as postmarks are frequently illegible, and it is not always possible to identify handwriting.

LOCUSTS IN FRANCE.—An English newspaper correspondent relates that these pests have been damaging vines, clover and oats in several departments. Owing to the invasion of the locusts, the Government has directed a committee of scientific agriculturists to meet at Arles for the purpose of concerting measures to keep off the plague from the infested districts. The place which has most suffered is the marshy and unhealthy district in the Bouches-du-Rhone, known as the Camargue.

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