

GLASS TUBES AS INCUBATORS.

Sir,—On June the 24th, 1893, I was obliged to go to my home in the High Sierras and beyond the Yosemite 22½ miles, as I had some moth eggs that I wanted to hatch and rear larvæ from. Before going I placed all the leaves that had eggs on them in a small glass jelly jar; being three days getting there, on account of the deep snow, I kept putting in fresh leaves every day for the young larvæ to feed on, as the eggs had begun to hatch before I started, and when I got home I had more dried and withered leaves than I bargained for, and in consequence lost some of the smaller larvæ that had hidden themselves. To prevent a recurrence of such loss, I thought of some glass tubes that were sent to me by Prof. Riley. I then separated all the leaves that had eggs on them, cut away all the superfluous dry parts of the leaf, and placed them all in one of these tubes, introducing a fresh leaf or part of one until a newly hatched larva made its appearance; I would then draw him out with the leaf and place him in another tube, or on a potted plant, thus ensuring correct data and better chances of observing its natural life-habits. This also ensures safety to both eggs and the young larvæ, as new food can be introduced and the old extracted without annoying the larvæ.

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THE ASSOCIATION OF ECONOMIC ENTOMOLOGISTS.

The Association of Economic Entomologists will hold its annual meeting this year in Brooklyn, N. Y., August 14th and 15th, dates immediately preceding the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

The fact that the meeting is to be held in Brooklyn is a sufficient guarantee of a large attendance and a meeting of more than usual interest. It is sincerely hoped that every member who can will be present, with papers to read, questions to ask and ideas to impart, that will make the meeting profitable and send all back to their posts of duty inspired to better work.

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