

OTTAWA, August 21, 1919.

To The Honourable,
The Minister of Agriculture,
Ottawa.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit for your approval, Entomological Circular No. 12, entitled "Directions for Collecting and Preserving Insects," which has been prepared by J. H. McDunnough, M.A., Ph.D., in charge of the National Collection of Insects.

We are in receipt of an increasing number of requests, particularly from teachers, for the information briefly set forth in this circular from all parts of Canada. It is very desirable that interest in entomology should be promoted and encouraged. Not only will the collection and study of insects provide both recreation and education, but it will also result in the extension of our knowledge of Canadian insects, and their distribution. From a practical standpoint it is important that there should be a wider knowledge of entomology, especially among the teachers in our schools, in order that such knowledge may be applied to the control of those insects whose destructive or annoying habits make their suppression necessary.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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