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INSECTS INJURIOUS TO THE HOUSEHOLD AND ANNOYING TO MAN.

By Glen W. Herrick, Professor of Economic Entomology, Cornell University, New York. The McMillan Company. 470 pages, price \$1.75.

Few persons realize to what extent our homes are liable to attacks by insects, though everyone may complain of those that are directly annoying to him personally. It will be somewhat of a surprise, therefore, to the average reader to learn from this book how many and how varied are the numbers and modes of attack of what may be termed domestic insects. The first hundred and fifty pages of the book are filled with the life histories and methods of control of House and Stable Flies, Mosquitoes, Bedbugs, Cockroaches and Fleas. Ants and their activities and invasions are next dealt with; then follow chapters on insects injurious to clothes and carpets, to cereals and preserved fruits, to meats, cheese and condiments; human parasites, annoying pests of man, some troublesome invaders, wood-boring insects and a chapter on insects that are poisonous and objects of dread, concluding with instructions for fumigating. The book is illustrated with 152 cuts and eight plates.

The writer has had occasion to refer to this work when replying to the enquiries of correspondents and has found it most convenient for the purpose, especially where one wishes to learn the well-tested methods of control. The lists of references to economic literature at the end of each chapter are also very useful. Those who are in charge of the entomological departments of Experiment Stations, and who are, therefore, constantly applied to for information and advice respecting insects of all kinds, will find this book a most convenient manual of reference. The ordinary householder may fail to appreciate it until his property or comfort is seriously attacked by one or more minute insect foes; when such troubles arise he will find all the information he requires in clear and plain language and full directions for waging a successful warfare against the invading enemy.

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