

BOOK NOTICES.

A LIST OF THE INSECTS OF NEW JERSEY. By Dr. John B. Smith, Professor of Entomology at Rutgers College, State Entomologist and Entomologist to the Agricultural College Experiment Station at New Brunswick, N.J. Annual Report of the New Jersey State Museum, 1909; Trenton, N.J., 1910.

This report, with the exception of 13 pages, is devoted to Dr. Smith's new List of the Insects of New Jersey. It is now ten years since a similar list was prepared by the same author, who is one of our valued Corresponding Members, and who has always been exceedingly helpful to Canadian students of insects, particularly those who study the *Noctuidæ*. The present list, which has recently come to hand, is an extremely valuable publication. The book contains 888 pages, the printing and paper are good and the many illustrations excellent. No less than 10,385 different species are listed, comprising 3,486 genera and 331 families. In the 1899 list 8,537 species were included. It will thus be seen that considerable progress has been made in a knowledge of the insects of the State of New Jersey. Entomologists generally will be grateful to Dr. Smith for this extremely useful contribution to the literature of American entomology. Through the example which he has set in the preparation of these New Jersey Lists of Insects, similar lists are now in preparation for other States in the Union, and in Canada a list of the insects of the Province of Quebec is being prepared by members of the Montreal Branch of the Entomological Society of Ontario and the Quebec Society for the Protection of Plants from Insects and Fungous Diseases, largely through the untiring efforts of Messrs. A. F. Winn, G. Chagnon and J. M. Swaine.

In the preparation of the new list, Dr. Smith has had the assistance of many recognized specialists in the various orders. Unfortunately the edition of the New Jersey State Museum report is a very limited one, and it will be impossible to supply everyone who will want this work with a copy. It is distributed by the Curator of the Museum. Dr. Smith has, however, had some extra copies printed, and the price has been fixed at \$1.50 each. These copies will be available as long as this extra edition lasts.

We desire here to add our sincere appreciation of this recent result of Dr. Smith's labours. May our esteemed Corresponding Member be spared many years to continue the good work he is doing for the advancement of applied and systematic entomology in America.

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