

BOOK NOTICES.

MANUAL OF INJURIOUS INSECTS AND METHODS OF PREVENTION. By Miss E. A. Ormerod. Second edition.

We have just received from our highly esteemed corresponding member, Miss Ormerod, copies of a much enlarged and thoroughly revised edition of her well-known Manual of Injurious Insects. Economic Entomology has made great progress since the appearance of the first edition in 1881, and this progress is largely due to the unceasing efforts of this talented authoress. Her Annual Reports are eagerly looked for by thousands of farmers in England and other parts of the world. There is no writer upon the science of combating the ravages of insects which attack crops, in Australia, India, South Africa, the United States or Canada, who does not quote her opinion as the highest authority upon those subjects which she has studied, and the present remarkable work is just what might have been expected from such a writer. "Insect Life," issued from the Department of Agriculture of the United States, and edited by the highest living authorities upon Economic Entomology, contains the following complimentary notice of this work:—"On account of its convenient size, admirable arrangement, plain language, and abundant illustration, it is almost a model of what such a work should be."—"Miss Ormerod's work cannot be too highly commended."

The merits enumerated above render this work intelligible—nay, indispensable, to every farmer, gardener and fruit-grower who wishes to carry on his work in the most successful manner. Nor is this the case in England alone where the work was written, for so many of the insects mentioned are common to both Europe and America that it will be found of interest to all of our readers. Moreover, from the fact that most of our injurious species have been imported from Europe, we know not at what moment any of the others mentioned in this work may not appear amongst us as a serious tax upon our cultivated crops. The different kinds of attacks are arranged alphabetically under the three headings, Food Crops, Forest Trees, and Fruit. Some new attacks not mentioned in the first edition, and which occurred subsequently to