

To the Honourable

The Minister of Agriculture.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit herewith for your approval Bulletin No. 52 of the Experimental Farm series, which has been prepared under my direction by Dr. James Fletcher, Entomologist and Botanist of the Dominion Experimental Farms. This bulletin treats of insects injurious to grain and fodder crops, root crops and vegetables.

The injuries annually caused by insects to farm crops seriously reduce the profits arising from the labour of the farmer. Much of this loss is preventable and the object of this bulletin is to supply that practical information which will enable the reader to deal with these several pests in the most effective manner and at the least cost. The concise accounts given of the life history and habits of the injurious species treated of, together with the illustrations, will provide the means whereby they may be readily distinguished. The remedies suggested for the destruction of these pests are as a rule of easy application and at the same time are very effective.

It is hoped that farmers generally will put into practice the useful information here given and, whenever occasion arises, promptly apply the remedies named, and thus much loss may be prevented.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

WM. SAUNDERS,

*Director of Experimental Farms.*

OTTAWA, June 30, 1905.