

In all the tables the venational characters take the most prominent place, but many others are also employed, such as the position of the ocelli, structure of the palpi and antennæ, and particularly that of the hypopygium of the male. There is considerable variation in the length of the descriptions, some of the diagnoses of new species being only four lines in length, while others occupy 20 lines or more. The descriptions are supplemented by a series of tables giving the relative measurements of the various joints of the legs. There is also an index to the genera and a series of well executed plates, mostly in half-tone, illustrating structural features, chiefly the wings and the hypopygia of the males. It is not quite clear why the plates have not been numbered.

THE Canadian national collections in the Victoria Memorial Museum at Ottawa should be the results of efforts to increase knowledge and the exhibit should be made in a manner to diffuse knowledge. They should not be collections of curios. All Canadians, especially educators, will be interested to make use of the collections often, and should direct others to do so as well as students. It is hoped that time may dispel rapidly the idea, which unfortunately too many people have, that the place is a storehouse for curiosities or abnormal and monstrous things rather than that it is an institution of learning. Some of the staff will always be glad to meet classes or visitors and to give them such assistance as is possible. Pending the completion of the lecture hall, informal talks in the laboratories or offices may occasionally be arranged, especially if a few days' notice is given. As time goes on, the institution will probably be able to loan pictures, lantern slides, maps, labels, casts, and even specimens for educational purposes,

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CHANGE OF NAME.—Dr. Brölemann has called my attention to the fact that my genus *Poabius* is preoccupied by *Poabius* of C. L. Koch. It may be replaced by *Pokabius*.—R. V. CHAMBERLIN.

CORRECTIONS.—In my last paper on the genus *Hydriomena* (CAN. ENT., XLIV, Aug., 1912) the following corrections should be made:—P. 225, lines 16, 17 and 19, for "*Bockhausen*" read "*Borkhausen*." P. 226, line 12, for *Thmb.* read *Thunb.* P. 229, No. 11, and p. 230, No. 11, for "*Janavahrata*" read *banavahrata*. P. 230, line 11, for "(d) *Mesial lines smutty*" read "(d) *Mesial space smutty*." L. W. SWETT.

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