

The first work on our list is :—

THE BUTTERFLIES OF NORTH AMERICA. By W. H. Edwards. Third Series, Part II., 4to. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston, Mass.

The second part of the new series of this superb work contains the usual three exquisitely finished coloured plates of butterflies. The first illustrates the Californian *Colias Harfordii* Hy. Edwards, and its variety *Barbara*, giving no less than nine pictures of the imagines, and more than a dozen of the earlier stages ; the second *Argynnis Coronis* Behr., giving both the upper and under surfaces of the male and female of this beautiful Californian species, which extends northward as far as our own Northwest Territory, where it has been taken by Capt. Gamble Geddes ; the third plate fully illustrates all the stages of *Neonympha Gemma* Hubn. and *N. Henshawi* Edw. There is the usual letter-press description of all the species figured, and also a notice of *Argynnis Callippe* Boisd. It is hardly necessary to add that no Lepidopterist's library can be considered complete without a copy of this admirable work.

REPORT OF OBSERVATIONS OF INJURIOUS INSECTS and Common Farm Pests during the year 1886, with Methods of Prevention and Remedy. By Eleanor A. Ormerod, 8vo., 112 pages. London : Simpkin, Marshall & Co.

We must congratulate our esteemed friend upon the publication of her Tenth Report. It is full of interesting matter and well illustrated with excellent wood-cuts, chiefly the work of the talented authoress. The principal noxious insects treated of are "Earwigs" affecting cabbage—a pest that we are happily free from in this country ; Clover Weevils, the Hessian Fly and other wheat insects, the Hop Aphis, Mustard Beetles, the Horse and Ox Warble-flies, etc. Economic Entomologists everywhere may learn much from these pages ; though the insects treated of are for the most part British, many of them have been transported to this side of the Atlantic and to other distant regions, where they have wrought incalculable damage to crops of various kinds.

SYNOPSIS OF THE HYMENOPTERA OF AMERICA, NORTH OF MEXICO. By E. T. Cresson. Part i. Families and Genera. 8vo., 154 pages.

This valuable work, published as a supplementary volume by the American Entomological Society in Philadelphia, is a very much needed contribution to the literature of this difficult order of insects. With this