

3. Miscellaneous specimens of Nova Scotia Coleoptera collected by A. H. C. Prichard, specimens of Orthoptera and other Nova Scotia insects from various sources.

Owing to the lack of proper insect cabinets for the preservation and display of all these specimens, they are at present stored in boxes and somewhat liable to attack by pests, but it is the intention of the institution to obtain proper cabinets for them as soon as possible.

#### INSECT COLLECTION OF THE NOVA SCOTIA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

The great bulk of the material composing the collection of the Nova Scotia Agricultural College consists of specimens taken in the province by members of the entomological staff from the summer of 1913 up to the present time, together with a few insects captured in other provinces. There is also a small collection of Coleoptera taken in Kansas a good many years ago, as well as a certain amount of material received in exchange from various American entomologists.

All doubtful specimens have been submitted to specialists for determination. The Coleoptera have been determined by Professor Wickham and Dr. Van Dyke; the Lepidoptera, by Mr. Arthur Gibson; the Hemiptera by Messrs. E. P. Van Duzee, H. H. Knight and H. S. Parshley and the bees by Mr. Sladen. Dr. L. O. Howard and the members of his staff have from time to time reported upon a large number of insects of different groups.

The following account does not take into consideration a large number of insects that have been determined but not put away in the collection. There is also some accumulation of material that has not yet been put up ready for determination, and still more that we have not been able to get determined at all. The latter particularly applies to Diptera and to parasitic Hymenoptera.

In the Coleoptera we have about 1,000 specimens distributed over 38 families and 203 genera; in the Lepidoptera about 1,000 specimens, 25 families and 300 genera; Hemiptera about 800 specimens, 23 families and 115 genera; Hymenoptera 340 specimens, 10 families and 19 genera; Orthoptera, 164 specimens, 3 families and 13 genera. There are about 110 named species of Diptera, but the greater part of the material in this order is still