

THE George Washington University has conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Medicine on Dr. L. O. Howard, Chief of the Bureau of Entomology and Permanent Secretary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, for "distinguished services to science in relation to preventive medicine."—[*Science*.

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BOOK NOTICE.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE MUSEUM, including a Report of the Insects of New Jersey, for 1909. Prepared under the direction of Prof. John B. Smith, State Entomologist.

The first edition of the "Insects of New Jersey" was published in 1890 and a second in 1900. As the latter has long been exhausted, and as there has been so much demand for it, the present one was issued in 1910. It contains the Curator's Report, followed by :

Part I.—Treating of insects, their classification and distribution. This is divided into four chapters, which give a good general account of the classification, development and faunal characteristics of insects, and of the benefits and injuries caused by them.

Part II.—Comprising a systematic list, embracing twenty-two orders of insects. Each order is characterized and a general account given of the habits of its members, whether beneficial, injurious or of no material economic importance. The families in general are similarly treated. Illustrations numbering 340, of which many include from two to eight figures, are interspersed throughout.

The present edition contains records of 331 families, 3,486 genera and 10,385 species, the list of species being 1,845 in excess of the previous list, and 4,287 of the early one. The localities of most of the species are given, together with the dates of appearance, habits in the various stages, and food-plants; thus making a volume that is of inestimable value to all classes of entomologists, nature students and collectors, and the only work covering such a broad field of entomology that has been published by any State of the Union or by any public or private institution.

The Report is also furnished with indices to localities and to families and genera, and a coloured map shewing the faunal regions of the State.

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