

the author's own material—are brought together a large number of facts and details hitherto scattered throughout the various scientific journals and publications, relating to the members of this interesting family. We hope Mr. Stretch will receive such encouragement from Entomologists as will reward him for his valued labors in this department, and stimulate him to further efforts.

Catalogue of the Phalaenidæ of California, No. 2, by A. S. Packard, jr., M. D. This is an octavo pamphlet of 40 pages, with one photograph plate, illustrating 24 new species, detailed descriptions of which are given in the accompanying letter-press, together with many other interesting facts relating to other Californian species.

EDITORIAL SUMMARY.

MR. RILEY RECEIVES A HANDSOME TESTIMONIAL.

The following correspondence explains itself:

AGENCE CONSULAIRE DE FRANCE A ST. LOUIS, }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., FEB. 23, 1874. }

Prof. Chas. V. Riley, State Entomologist, St. Louis, Mo. :

DEAR SIR.—I have the honor to inform you that his excellency, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, has forwarded to me through the Consulate of New Orleans, the gold medal awarded to you by the Minister of Agriculture and Commerce, of France, in appreciation of discoveries in economic entomology, and especially of services rendered to French grape culture.

I congratulate you sincerely on this well deserved compliment. It is a proof that your talents and labors have been recognized by very high and competent judges.

Accept my assurance of the high regard with which I am, yours respectfully,

EMILE KARST,
 Agent Consulaire de France.

The medal is of gold, very heavy and handsomely finished. It is round, probably an inch and a half in diameter, and bears upon its face the head of the Goddess of Liberty, in bas-relief, with the words : "Republique Francaise." Upon the reverse is :