

three "New Species of Noctuidæ for 1907" from B. C., recorded by John B. Smith*, and "Notes on the Brephidæ," also by John B. Smith, containing records of original descriptions and new species from British Columbia.†

In addition to all the foregoing lists, records and reviews, the Canadian Entomological Record, compiled and edited from time to time by the Dominion Entomologist assisted by his staff and the leading entomologists throughout Canada, contains many names of captures and records for the Province of British Columbia.

As we pause at this point and glance back over the foregoing resume of British Columbian entomology, it is observed that our entomologists have been chiefly concerned in the study of the Lepidoptera. Other orders in the main have been neglected, and such records as we possess in these other orders have been obtained largely from outside sources. Consequently a large field of entomological investigation and research still lies open in almost every direction.

Having referred thus far only to the systematic side of the study of entomology in British Columbia,—the collecting, mounting and recording of insects,—we find that the economic or applied phase of the science was not altogether neglected; for records of this branch of the subject occur conjointly with the foregoing notes.

No praise is too great for those whose energies have made this province an example to all of the practical value of entomology, which other provinces and states failed to discover until too late. Our work in the future will be to retain this standard of immunity, whatever the cost in labour and expense. We must endeavour at the same time to supplement our knowledge of those insects of economic importance in our midst and indigenous to the province.

In May, 1912, Dr. C. Gordon Hewitt, Dominion Entomologist, established a Field Station for investigational research in entomology, the object being to study the life history and habits of insects in the province, preferably those of economic importance and their control. The writer has the honour, at the moment, of occupying the position of Field Officer for British Columbia under the direction of the Dominion Entomologist. Through the courtesy of Mr. Arthur Brealey, fruit grower, Hatzic, in the Lower Fraser Valley, the Dominion Division of Entomology was permitted to establish temporary field quarters on his farm for the purpose of investigating the life history and habits of *Otiorhynchus ovatus*, the Strawberry Root Weevil, an insect which was

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