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SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION,

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan 31 1885.

Dear Prof. Goode,

I herewith return the report for 1883 and send the conclusion of my previous report of Jan 8th, together with the bibliography of my writings for 1884. The titles of articles in any annual Report are given in detail. I notice in the list for 1883 you have omitted such detailed titles, which is, perhaps, just as well. I should like to have the omitted portions returned, however.

Yours sincerely,
C. V. Riley,
Curator of Insects.

Prof. G. Brown Goode,
Asst. Director U. S. Nat. Museum.

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Jan 8th 1884

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J. Brown Goode,

Assistant Director U. S. National Museum,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to submit, herewith, ~~my~~ my
~~brief~~ report as Honorary Curator of the Department
of Greek. The following list of accessions,
arranged according to accession numbers
will indicate in a precise manner the character
of the additions to the collection:,

- No. 13724 Large collection of insects of various Orders collected in Labrador, sent by Mr. L. M. Turner, Washington, D.C.
- 13846 Collection of various insects from Norfolk Island (New Zealand) sent by Mr. P. Herbert Metcalfe, Norfolk Island.
- 13916 Various species of Insects from Washington Territory sent by Capt. Chas. Bendire, Ft. Klamath, W.T.
- 13917 Various species from California sent by Mr. Chas. H. Townsend, Baird, Shasta Co., Cala.
- 13972 Achorutes sp. (Snow-Podura) from New Jersey, sent by Mr. John J. Willis, Westfield, N. J.
- 14004 White-Grub Fungus (Cordyceps raveneli) from Arkansas, sent by Mr. G. H. Horn, Liberty Springs, Van Buren Co., Ark.
- 14053 Tarentula herzii and Scolopendra heros from Kansas, sent by the Army Medical Museum, Washington, D.C.
- 14058 Periplaneta americana found on board of a whale ship, sent by Mr. Daniel Kelleher, New Bedford, Mass.
- 14065 Ephemeral larva from Texas sent by Mr. C. C. Bearden, Bedfort, Texas
- 14150 Various insects and insect larvae from Paramaribo, Surinam, sent by Mr. C. J. Hering, Paramaribo, Surinam
- 14166 Clover-hay Worm (Asopia costalis) from Virginia, sent by Mr. R. H. Doorman, Warrenton, Va

- No. 14204 Bag-worm (Thyridopteryx sp.) from Arkansas sent by Mr. Michael T. O'nelly, Hot Springs, Ark.
- 14269 Periplaneta americana from St. Mary's River, Fla., sent by U. S. Fish Commission Steamer "Fish Hawk".
- 14298 Achorutes sp. (Snow Podura) from Colorado, sent by Mr. H. C. Lay, Jr., Telluride, Colo.
- 14325 Box of Coleoptera for determination sent by Mr. E. Wilkinson, Jr., Mansfield, O. [returned to sender at his request].
- 14333 Belostoma americanum from New York, sent by Mr. J. P. Wood, Auburn, Cayuga Co., N. Y.
- 14509 Rhynchophorus crenatus (imago) from Florida, sent by Mr. W. J. de Poincy, Manatee, Fla.
- 14518 Corydalus cornutus from North Carolina, sent by Mr. G. O. Tate, Warm Springs, N. C.
- 14530 Small collection of various insects from San Diego, Cala., sent by Mr. Chas. R. Orcutt, San Diego, Cala.
- 14557 Attacus cecropiae from Missouri sent by Capt. A. E. Miltimore, U. S. A., Jefferson Barracks, Mo.
- 14565 Anthonomus scrophulariae (larvæ) from Connecticut, sent by Mr. J. N. Bishop, Plainville, Conn.
- 14574 Coptocycla clavata? (pupa) from Delaware, sent by Mr. Frank Stayton, Greenwood, Del.
- 14584 Bethus sp. from California, sent by Mr. H. W. Turner, U. S. Geological Survey, San Francisco, Cala.

- No. 14585 Rhynchosporus crenatus (cocoon) from Florida, sent by Mr. W. J. de Poincy, Manatee, Florida.
- 14588 Various insects from New Idria, Cala., sent by Mr. H. W. Turner, U. S. Geological Survey, San Francisco, Cala.
- 14600 Hemerobiid larva from Florida sent by Dr. A. B. Brookins, Bartow, Florida.
- 14620 Larva of Eristalis from Pennsylvania, sent by Mr. B. W. Stennett, Corry, Erie Co., Pa.
- 14625 Cordyceps on Lucanid larva sent by Messrs. R. T. Bailey and W. J. Etzel, Union, S.C.
- 14630 Ascalaphus hyalinus from Long Island, N.Y., sent by Dr. Walter Mendelsohn, Southampton, L.I.
- 14667 Various insects from California, sent by Mr. R. E. C. Stearns, U. S. National Museum.
- 14671 Rhyssa lunator from Massachusetts sent by Mr. C. E. Abbe, Sarasota, Florida.
- 14693 Photinus ardens from Maine sent by Mr. Amos Wilder Augusta, Me.
- 14695 Stenopoda cinerea from Florida sent by Mr. J. Edwards Allen, Orlando, Fla.
- 14724 Othorhynchus lignicola from Massachusetts, sent by Miss L. Ferry, East Hampton, Mass.
- 14748 Madognatha (Tarentula) sp. from New Mexico, sent by Mr. Theo. W. Taylor, Lake Valley, N. Mex.

- No. 14753 Mygale sp. from Arizona, sent by Mr. E. W. Nelson,
Huachuca, Cochise Co., Ariz.
- 14779 Deilephila lineata from Nevada, sent by Mr. Chas. Keenan,
Hospital Guard, U. S. A., Fort Halleck, Nevada.
- 14780 Four species of insects from Colorado, sent by Mr. M. C.
Cronley, Dolores, La Plata Co., Colo.
- 14794 Bulb of Erigenia (not entomological) from Texas sent by
Dr. G. P. Shuckenberg, Austin, Tex.
- 14820 Diapheromera femorata from Massachusetts, sent by Mr.
C. P. Upshur, Smithsonian Institution.
- 14821 Acanthocinus spectabilis from California, sent by Mr.
John J. Snyder, Murphy's, Calaveras Co., Calif.
- 14913 Lagoa operculata (larva) from North Carolina, sent by
Mr. N. A. Ramsey, Durham, N. C.
- 14952 Lygaeus fasciatus from Illinois, sent by Mr. Ely C. Fisk,
Havana, Mason Co., Ills.
- 15012 Plectrodera scalator from Illinois, sent by Mr. Ely C.
Fisk, Havana, Mason Co., Ills.
- 15027 Epeira insularis from Illinois, sent by Mrs. R. E.
Call, Wintersburg, Ills.
- 15034 Three species of insects from Iowa, sent by Dr. J. M.
Shaffer, Keokuk, Iowa.
- 15043 Mygale sp. from Mt. Diablo, Cala., sent by Mr. H. W. Turner,
S. Francisco, Cala.
- 15062

- No. 15062 Epeira insularis from Illinois, sent by Mr. Chas. M. Sturges, Chicago, Ills.
15069. Rhyssa lunator from South Carolina, sent by Mr. Geo. T. Broon, Belton, S.C.
- 15142 Various insects, mostly aquatic larvae from Utah sent by Dr. H. C. Yarrow, Army Medical Museum, Washington, D.C.
- 15251 Blatta orientalis? (larva) from California, sent by Mr. T. S. Price, Borden, Cala.
- 15458 Egg-mass of Oligocampa sp. from Utah, sent by Mr. J. B. Rosborough, Salt Lake City, Utah.
- 15523 Achorutes sp. (Snow Podura) from Maine, sent by Mr. Amos Wilder, Augusta, Me.

Altogether the most valuable collection received during the year is that made by W^r. Turner in Labrador. The material is quite extensive especially in individuals and has been collected and preserved with great care and judgement. I have therefore taken great pains to mount such of the alcoholic material, and such of the dry material as would most quickly deteriorate if left as collected, in order that it may be permanently preserved for future study, and I have been particular to attach to every specimen ~~is~~ not only the accession number but the number used by the collector, so as to facilitate his own work upon the collections.

The work of the department has consisted, in addition to the ordinary correspondence and determination of material, in the proper case, so far as time would permit, of the material received. But, taking advantage of the Government's participation in the New Orleans exposition, I have prepared as a part of the exhibit from the Department of Agriculture, an ~~exhibit~~ collection illustrative of Economic Entomology which for which the Museum unit ~~devoted~~ employing

Beyond Mr. Turner's material which includes some thousands of specimens the accessions have had very little value and have in the majority of cases ~~not been~~
~~work the preserving~~

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therefor drawers and cases made after the
 first plan of the Museum, ~~with the understanding~~
 Many of the specimens for this collection exhibit
 were furnished from my private collection
 and it has been prepared ^{upon} ~~with~~ the understanding
 with ~~the~~ ^{from} ~~Standards~~ the proper authorities that it
 is, when returned to Washington, to form part
 of The Museum Collection.

In closing this brief report I cannot
 refrain from repeating the recommendations
 of previous years both as to the utilization
 of the plates purchased of the late Prof
 Townend Glover, and as to the necessity
 of placing the Department upon a secure
 financial basis.

Yours, very respectfully

C. V. Riley

Curator of Insects

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(To be added at the end of report of Curator of Insects
transmitted Jan. 8th., just before the signatures).

Mr. Glover's plates and notes on the Diptera, Orthoptera, Hemiptera and Cotton Insects have already been published in very limited edition as "Manuscript notes from my Journal". Those of the remaining orders comprise about 200 plates, which can be printed from by Mr. A.G. Gedney of this city (who formerly printed for Glover and has made me his estimates) for \$13.50 per 1000 copies, quarto-impressions. The printing of an edition of 1000 would, therefore, cost about 2700.00 while the printing of such text as would be necessary could probably be done for about \$500.00 additional.

Several valuable collections have, as during previous years, been offered for sale at remarkably low rates, some of which I have purchased individually and deposited with the rest of my collections. The need of a salaried assistant is each year more obvious, not only for the reasons stated in previous reports, but as a guarantee of the proper future care, in case of my death or removal from the city, of the entomological material already in the museum, and as a further guarantee to specialists that type collections, if donated, will have proper appreciation and preservation.

Sincerely yours,
C. V. Riley,
Curator of Insects.