

GENERAL NOTES:—Hudson's Elementary manual of New Zealand entomology, an octavo work of 136 pp. and 21 colored plates, is not at all what its title would lead one to expect. It is rather an account of a selected series of insects of all orders, about 113 species, the life-history or habits of which were more or less known to the author. Perhaps the most interesting and the fullest are those of species of *Hepialus* and *Oeceticus*. Its value consists in this and the figures of the larvae, etc., which are unfortunately rather too vague and generalized for special use. It is, however, an interesting sketch of insect-life at the antipodes.

The third part of Lowne's Anatomy of the blowfly, concluding the first of two volumes, contains 136 pp. and 10 pl. It discusses the topographical anatomy of the muscles and viscera of the imago, the embryology, the general anatomy and histology of the insect, and the development of the nymph in the pupa. The next volume will deal with the internal organs. Many of the author's views are diametrically opposed to those usually received, but in such cases both sides are presented.

The tenth part of Moore's Lepidoptera Indica deals entirely with the Satyrinae, but

contains nothing of general interest.

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Theodore Shaw of Wellesley, Mass., a boy of nine, informs us that on June 14 last he caught a specimen of *Heraclides cresphontes* in that town. It is not known to have been seen in Massachusetts since 1883.

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Mr. A. P. Morse showed some larvae of *Corethra* which he had recently collected. He also remarked that while collecting lately he had found a salamander which had been feeding on white ants.

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