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DIRECTIONS FOR SENDING INSECTS.

All letters desiring information respecting noxious and other insects, should be accompanied by specimens, the more in number the better. Such specimens should always be packed along with a little cotton, wool, or some such substance, in a little pasteboard box that is of convenient size, AND NEVER ENCLOSED LOOSE IN THE LETTER. Botanists like their specimens pressed as flat as a pancake, but entomologists do not. Whenever possible, larvae (i. e. grubs, caterpillars, maggots, etc.) should be packed alive, in some tight tin box—the tighter the better, as air-holes are not needed—along with a supply of their appropriate food stuff to last them on their journey; otherwise they generally die on the road and shrivel up to nothing. Along with the specimens send as full an account as possible of the habits of the insect, respecting which you desire information; for example, what plant or plants it infests; whether it destroys the leaves, the buds, the wigs, or the stem; how long it has been known to you; what amount of damage it has done, etc. Such particulars are often not only of high scientific interest, but of great practical importance.

OFFICE OF THE

STATE ENTOMOLOGIST,

Room 42, Mutual Insurance Building,

N. W. Corner Sixth and Locust Streets,

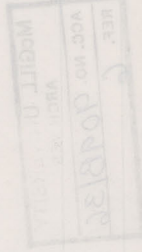
St. Louis, Mo., March 20th 1875

Geo. M. Lawson,

My dear Sir,

I notice by a circular dated February 1875 that you are collecting statistics with regard to the Rocky-Mountain Locust (*Caloptenus spretus*). I sent a similar circular last October all over Missouri and shall have a most exhaustive article with figures of the insect in all stages, of its enemies, and of allied species—in my 7th Report which will be out in less than a month. My chronological history so far as regards Canada and Manitoba ^{is} ~~is~~ Meagre, and if you can, within the next two weeks, give me a resume of such facts as you have regarding the insect past history in British America, and especially as to the eastern limit which it reaches, I shall be pleased to embody them ~~you~~ with proper credit in said report, and mail you a copy thereof.

Yours truly,
C. W. Riley.



Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the matter of the State Entomologist's office. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to attend to the matter at present, but I am sure that you will be able to do so in the near future. I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant,

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