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## EDITORIAL.

The undersigned, who has been hindered by absence from the country and by pursuit of other occupations from taking active part in the editorial management of this paper, wishes to record his sincerest thanks to those editors, assistant editors and other friends of PSYCHE who have, during his absence, attended to the various duties connected with its publication.

Among those to whom especial thanks are due is the late Edwin C. Prentiss of Brighton, Mass., whose death it was a painful duty to announce in our numero for October 1880, who, in addition to the composition of PSYCHE, making it ready for the press and mailing it, added often, as gratuitous labor in the interest of the paper, work belonging strictly to its editorial department. Faithful, persevering and accurate, he removed much of the care of PSYCHE from the undersigned, who mourns his early death, caused by disease contracted while in the defense of our country in the south, rather as that of a personal friend than as that of an employé.

The accuracy of PSYCHE, upon which we are often complimented, is in a great measure due to the careful supervision of Mr. B. P. Mann, who has had not only the editorship of the bibliographical record, but has had most of the burden of the general editorship of the whole paper. In assuming the management of PSYCHE, the undersigned wishes to acknowledge Mr. Mann's services especially, without which it would have been impossible to continue the

paper, and to announce that hereafter the responsibility for the general management rests upon himself.

During the past three years many books, pamphlets and periodicals have been received as gifts or in exchange, and the editors will now strive to have these, as far as they pertain to entomological subjects, properly noticed in our bibliographical record, and, in such cases as may seem best, reviewed.

The numeros of PSYCHE for each of the years 1880 and 1881 contained—to make a comparison readily perceptible to persons not familiar with printers' nomenclature—exclusive of title-pages and advertisements, matter equivalent to more than 227 pages of reading matter of volume one or two. To this will be added, at the end of volume three, an index much larger than that of volume one. It is unnecessary to add that PSYCHE never has paid its cost. For volume three it would be necessary to have a few more than double the present number of subscribers to make it pay its cost, exclusive of exchanges received. As the present publisher, who undertook the publication of PSYCHE in order to give the Cambridge Entomological Club—the founder of the magazine—time to accumulate a publication fund, will be obliged soon, under the pressure of other duties and responsibilities, to return the publication to the hands of its parent society, it is not, perhaps, improper here to solicit contributions to the publication fund of the society.

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 BOOK NOTICE.

Mr. S. H. Scudder has published his paper, "Fragments of the coarser anatomy of diurnal lepidoptera," which appeared in the columns of our numeros for Oct. 1881 to April 1882, in book form. The book, which is somewhat novel in design and very neat in typography, is printed with wide margins on excellent paper. It contains 83 pages of 10.5 by 6 cm., type measurement, while the book measures 19.5 by 12.5 cm.

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