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Classification of Insects. By C. T. Brues and A. L. Melander. 672 pp., 1125 figs. Published by the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Cambridge, Mass. \$5.50 (paper), \$6.50 (cloth).

This book consists of keys to the known families of insects and other terrestrial Arthropods, as well as some keys to subfamilies and immature forms. The large and representative genera of each family are listed. The text is divided into two parts, the first containing keys to the classes of Arthropods, orders and families of insects; the second including keys to the order and families of other terrestrial Arthropods. Technical terms are reduced to a minimum, but for the convenience of students a glossary of 330 terms and expressions has been added. The usefulness of this work for those who are just entering the field of entomology is increased by the inclusion of all synonyms of names applied to families and higher groups, and of indications of the pronunciation of the names and technical terms. Each key is followed by a bibliography of the important papers covering the subject of the key. In the writer's opinion these bibliographies, which include about 2400 references, will undoubtedly be one of the most useful features of the book. The complete index, containing over 10,000 entries, makes this publication invaluable as a reference work, as well as a laboratory manual. The authors are to be congratulated for the completion of a tedious undertaking resulting in a publication unique in entomological literature.

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