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Scutellinidæ, *Haliotidæ* and *Fissurellidæ*, and the Helices of Madagascar, Japan and Australia. He has identified and relabeled the specimens of each group in the collection as they were studied. The first series of the Manual now approaches an end; the true Limpets and the Chitons only remaining unfinished. The second series has progressed as far as the completion of the true Helices. The Philippine Island group *Cochlostyla* will be considered in the volume for 1891, the illustrations for which are already well advanced. The Conservator has been assisted during a number of months of the year by Mr. F. C. Baker, a gentleman whose willingness and efficiency deserve high commendation.

At the annual meeting, held December 4th, the following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing year:—

<i>Director</i>,	.	.	.	.	W. S. W. Ruschenberger.
<i>Vice-Director</i>,	.	.	.	.	John Ford.
<i>Recorder</i>,	.	.	.	.	Edward J. Nolan.
<i>Secretary</i>,	.	.	.	.	J. H. Redfield.
<i>Treasurer</i>,	.	.	.	.	S. R. Roberts.
<i>Librarian</i>,	.	.	.	.	Edw. J. Nolan.
<i>Conservator</i>,	.	.	.	.	Henry A. Pilsbry.
					H. A. PILSBRY,
					<i>Conservator.</i>

REPORT OF THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SECTION.

Since the last report the Section has prospered in many ways. There has been an increase in the interest taken in entomology by its members, and the meetings have been well attended. A number of interesting verbal communications on entomology have been made at the several meetings, and several valuable papers have been published by the Society and Section. Two members and two associates have been elected during the year. The various collections are in fairly good order. The arrangement of the exotic lepidoptera has been completed; it was made up of the collections of the American Entomological Society, the Academy, and that given by the heirs of Mr. T. R. Peale. Over one thousand specimens have been added to the North American collection, a very small proportion of these having been purchased.

There have been over seven hundred additions to the library. The journal entitled "Entomological News," which is published by

the Section, with the financial aid of the American Entomological Society, has been successful beyond our expectations. The first volume, now completed, consists of one hundred and sixty-eight pages of interesting matter contributed by many of the leading Entomologists of the country. It will be continued and increased to twenty or more pages per number, and be illustrated whenever possible. The proceedings of the Section for each month have been published in the "News."

At the public receptions given by the Academy, the Section has made displays of insects which have elicited favorable comment, and will no doubt help to popularize this branch of natural history. As the "Entomological News" identifies insects for subscribers, it becomes necessary to have the collections in good condition and species well represented, so that this may be properly done. All insects received for determination through the committee having charge of the publication of the "Entomological News" become the property of the Society. At the last meeting of the year the following officers were elected:—

<i>Director</i> ,	George H. Horn, M.D.
<i>Vice-Director</i> ,	Rev. H. C. McCook, D.D.
<i>Treasurer</i> ,	E. T. Cresson.
<i>Recorder</i> ,	Henry Skinner, M.D.
<i>Publication Committee</i>, . . . . .	) Philip Laurent, } Henry Skinner, M.D.
<i>Corresponding Secretary</i> ,	Angelo Heilprin.
<i>Conservator</i> ,	Henry Skinner, M.D.
	HENRY SKINNER, <i>Recorder.</i>

REPORT OF THE BOTANICAL SECTION.

The Vice-Director of the Botanical Section has the honor to report the continued prosperity of the Section. It has no debts, and has a balance in its treasury. The stated meetings have been held regularly, and communications of interest to botanists received at each meeting, some of which have subsequently appeared in the Proceedings of the Academy.

The officers elected for the coming year are as follows:—

<i>Director</i> ,	W. S. W. Ruschenberger, M.D.
<i>Vice-Director</i> ,	Thomas Meehan.
<i>Treas. and Corres'g Sec'y</i> ,	Isaac C. Martindale.