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OVER a quarter of a century has passed since the last Flora of the County was issued, and as that edition has long ago been out of print, and the additions to the knowledge of the constituents of the Flora have become so numerous, it is felt desirable to bring the County Botany up to date.

The book has been entirely re-written for the new edition, and it is intended to make it not only a Catalogue of the County Species, with their localities, but also a history of them, and of the Botanists connected with the University and County. The Botanical authorities from 1500 downwards, and the National as well as the University and Private Herbaria have been investigated. The *Flora* will also contain sketches of the Geology, River drainage, and General Topography, and will include a list of Mosses, Fungi, Lichens, &c. Localities from the contiguous area of Berkshire will also be given.

Works already published by the same Author.

THE FLORA OF BERKSHIRE, being a Topographical and Historical account of the Flowering PLANTS AND FERNS found in the County, with short biographical notices of the Botanists who have contributed to Berkshire Botany during the last three centuries. Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1897. With map. 8vo, pp. cl, 644, 16s. Dedicated by special permission to Queen Victoria.

PRESS NOTES.

'Mr. G. C. Druce's zeal as a botanist and his thoroughness as a writer on what is with him a serious hobby are strikingly illustrated in his new Flora of Berkshire, for which we have nothing but the highest praise. The book possesses all the merits of a perfect local "Flora", and always excepting fresh habitats, it seems to exhaust the whole subject. The time and labour devoted to the work obviously have been very great, and wherever we have tested it the result has been satisfactory. It is a model upon which all future county "Floras" ought to be based."—The Times.

'The Introduction contains a most valuable account of the physical geography of the county, whilst the record of the botanists who have, in greater or less degree, contributed to make known the botany of the district . . . is of great interest to the botanical reader. Mr. Druce has taken a most comprehensive view of the limitations of a county flora, and he has done his work so conscientiously that the botanists interested in the British flora can but feel grateful to him.'—The Athenaeum.

'We have seen a number of county floras, but must give the palm to this one for completeness and general excellence. The amount of labour which this flora must have cost is fully brought home to us when we come to consider the names given to the species, the authorities, various botanists, writers, books, herbaria, &c., who or which have been consulted, and the information here tabulated for the benefit of future workers in this delightful field of research.'-The Gardening World.

'Turning over the pages of this volume we find first an Introduction containing a vast amount of information all bearing on the main subject, the plants that grow in Berkshire. First of all some remarks on the name of the county, its early history, its comparative size, and its agriculture; then on its physical geography, meteorology and climate, its various soils and corresponding natural growths, in earlier and in later times, and at greater length on the geology and the botanologia of the county. We regard it in every way worthy of the reputation which Mr. Druce enjoys as a learned bo anist, an indefatigable worker, an acute and careful observer, and a man of progress.' -Oxford Magazine.

'In his second flora he introduces in his critical notes on species a new feature. Every variation has a claim on the botanist's attention, and where can local varieties be better considered than in a local flora? It is a good feature in the book.'--Nature.

'The academic recognition of his services to the natural history of the district has been doubly earned. The pages which are devoted to the distribution of flowering plants and ferns are a curiosity of packed and ordered information.'-Reading Mercury.

THE LIST OF BRITISH PLANTS, containing the Spermophytes, Pteridophytes, and Charads found either as Natives or growing in a wild state in Britain, Ireland, and the Channel Isles. Pp. xv, 104. 2s. 6d.; interleaved, 3s. 6d. Clarendon Press, 1908.

This work contains a list of nearly three thousand species. The native species are printed in Roman type, and have their distribution through the British Isles shown. The denizens are starred, the aliens which are established are in italics and starred, while the alien casuals are in italics. The native countries of these are given. The important synonyms are also included. Extinct species are in brackets.

'In the compilation of this work, which is the outcome of over thirty years' field work in every British county, the author has . . . rendered a service of immense value to botanists, and indeed to all who are interested in British plants.'-Gardener's Magazine.

'The present little work may be regarded as the extension—a very great extension—of the London Catalogue.'—Gardener's Chronicle.

'... L'œuvre d'incontestable utilité que M. Claridge Druce vient de mener à chef avec distinction et au sujet de laquelle il convient de le féliciter pour la manière concise et pratique adoptée dans sa publication: 734 genres en 2 958 espèces, plus un pombre tout, aussi considérable de variétée. pour la manière concise et pratique adoptée dans sa publication: 734 genres en 2,958 espèces, plus un nombre tout aussi considérable de variétés, d'hybrides ou de plantes naturalisées y sont énumérés sur deux colonnes, avec l'indication éventuelle de leur distribution lorsque celle-ci ne se rapporte pas à des espèces ubiquistes. . . . élégant petit volume destiné à rendre les plus grands services à tous ceux qu'intéressent les questions si actuelles de physostatique.'—G. Beauverd in Bulletin de l'Herb. Boissier.

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'Druce's List, with its addition of sub-species and varieties, is indispensable.'-Prof. Oscar Drude, Dresden, author of Vegetation der Erde.

GUIDE TO THE FIELDING HERBARIUM. Oxford: Clarendon Press. Pp. 20. Price 6d.

THE DILLENIAN HERBARIA: an account of the Dillenian Collection in the Herbaria of the University of Oxford, by G. CLARIDGE DRUCE and S. H. VINES, F.R.S., Sherardian Professor. Clarendon Press. Pp. cxii, 258. 1897. 12s. 6d.

'A scholarly volume.'—Daily Mail.
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'The Correspondence is quite pleasing reading. The book has an excellent index, and it contains a . . . portrait of Dillenius.'—The Field.

THE FLORA OF BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

By G. Claridge Druce. In preparation.

HIS work will be on the same lines as the author's Flora of Oxfordshire and the Flora of Berkshire, to which it will be a companion volume, and with them will complete the Flora of the Upper Thames province.

Hitherto no general Flora of the County has been published, and this volume embodies not only the writer's investigations in the literature of the past four centuries, and a fairly exhaustive research in the British Herbaria, but also his own work on the Flora of the County for the past half-century. Brief biographies of the County Botanists, sketches of the Geology, River drainage, and General Topography will also be included.

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