Obituary

MARIA E. FERNALD

"A Catalogue of the Coccidæ of the World," published as Bulletin 88 of the Hatch Experiment Station of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, with its 360 pages of technical names and citations, is a most fitting memorial of the scientific activities of Mrs. Fernald, who was gathered home October 6, 1919, having been permitted to live for a full four score years. Many of the entomologists trained at the Massachusetts Agricultural College will remember the cosy home on Hallock Street, a delightful center for both social and scientific activities.

Mrs. Fernald was born at Monmouth, Maine, May 24, 1839, the daughter of Ebenezer and Betsy (Torsey) Smith. She was graduated from the first class of the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Female College, Kent's Hill, Maine, where she afterwards served as preceptress. She was married to her talented husband, Charles H. Fernald, August 24, 1862, and the couple lived in Litchfield, Houlton and Orono, Maine, before coming to Amherst in 1886.

Mrs. Fernald was deeply interested in scientific work and in the late seventies began a card catalogue of the Tortricidæ which became so useful that it was later extended to include all insects and one section was developed into the catalogue of the Coccidæ named above. This was only a portion of Mrs. Fernald's activities. She was a member of the Amherst Woman's Club, and took an active part in the social life of both the community and college. She is survived by her husband, Professor Charles H. Fernald; her son, Professor H. T. Fernald, and three grandchildren.

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Current Notes

Conducted by the Associate Editor

Mr. Grover C. Matthews has been appointed assistant professor in beekeeping at the University of Minnesota.

Mr. John R. Eyer has been appointed instructor in economic entomology in the Pennsylvania State College.

Mr. George B. Newman has been appointed assistant in entomology at Purdue University and the Indiana Station.

The Ontario County (N. Y.) Beekeepers' Association arranged to hold a convention at Canandaigua, N. Y., on January 13.

Mr. W. E. Jackson, assistant entomologist of the Texas College and Station, has resigned to enter commercial work.