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### The Describers of Insect Species.

I am very desirous of obtaining from all entomologists who have described one or more *new species* of insects a statement of the *total number* described by each one to this date. Where more than a single order of insects is involved, an indication of the total for each order would be appreciated. If there are known synonyms among such species, the number of valid species or subspecies should be given. It is hoped that the response to this appeal will be such that a summary of the subject may be presented in the not distant future. A most favorable response from entomologists has been received and further cooperation will be greatly appreciated. In the cases of deceased entomologists, where figures of described species have already been published, many such data are available to me, but further references, especially in obscure journals, would be much appreciated. I wish at this time to express my very deep thanks to the many entomologists who have so kindly cooperated in this attempt to determine more accurately the total number of described insect species. Address all communications to

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