

Of the entomological fauna, a certain amount of work has been done with the Coleoptera, Lepidoptera and Orthoptera; but on the Hymenoptera, practically nothing.

Of ants, four species are recorded from Mauritius in "Les Formicides de Madagascar" in Grandidier, Histoire Physique, Naturelle et Politique de Madagascar, vol xx. (1891). These are:—

*Camponotus sericeus* F., *C. aurosus* Roger, *Colobopsis cylindrica* F., and *Leptogenys maxillosa* F. Smith.

In a small paper on the ants of Réunion, "Fourmis de l'Ile de la Réunion," Ann Soc. Ent. Belg. xxxix. p. 49 (1895), Forel enumerates ten forms as follows:—1. *Prenolepis bourbonica* Forel; 2. *P. longicornis* Latr.; 3. *Brachymyrmex patagonicus* Mayr var. *cordemoyi* Forel; 4. *Plagiolepis alluaudi* Emery; 5. *P. longipes* Jerd.; 6. *Techomyrmex albipes* F. Smith; 7. *Tapinoma melanocephalum* F.; 8. *Leptogenys maxillosa* F. Smith var. *vinsonella* Dufour; 9. *Monomorium floricola* Jerd.; 10. *Pheidole megacephala* F. v. *pictata* Forel. (I have quoted the names as used by Forel; not giving those as at present used.)

The following list deals with a number of ants sent to me to identify, by Mr. Raymond Mamet of Mauritius. They were almost entirely taken by himself on that island. There are two new genera present (which I have named *Dodous* and *Ireneopone*) and eight new species, which are probably endemic. The rest of the list consists of certain well known cosmopolitan species, and ants which have occurred in Africa, Madagascar, the Seychelles, etc.

I give the known distribution to each species, and also the numbers with which Mamet's tubes containing his different captures are marked. I also recapitulate any remarks he has made on the same. Mr. Mamet has kindly supplied me with descriptions of the localities where his ants have been collected. He also annexes a map on which these localities are marked; both of which are reproduced here (for map see opposite).

"I would like to describe, for your benefit, the localities mentioned in the above list and where the ants have been collected. These localities have been marked on a map which I am annexing to this letter,