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In bygone days, when editors of entomological journals were masters of the entire field of entomology, and therefore could exert the quality control necessary to assure that material they published met suitably high standards, it was unnecessary for them to seek editorial assistance from colleagues. Now, however, this is no longer so: most editors are competent to pass judgment on the substance of relatively few typescripts that cross their desks. Thus, for advice on the scientific merits of these typescripts, they have had to turn to an array of colleagues, each of whom has the expert knowledge necessary to judge and suggest improvements to papers in his particular area of interest. These reviewers ("referees" in common parlance) act on behalf of an editor, and provide him with written statements, documenting their recommendations. Because of the importance of thorough reviews to the reputation of a scientific journal, it seems appropriate that such contributions be acknowledged. Therefore, I take pleasure in expressing my gratitude to the individuals whose names and addresses are listed below, for assisting me this past year in fulfilling my responsibilities to the readership of *Quaestiones Entomologicae*.

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