



Insects and Insecticides (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from Insects and Insecticides In order to intelligently apply insecticides, and to be able to judge whether one remedy or another will be more effective, it is necessary to understand something of the habits of the different insects attacking plants. Many insects, like caterpillars, grasshoppers, and beetles, devour the foliage, while others, such as scale insects, plant lice, squash bugs, etc., injure the plant by inserting their sharp beaks into its tissue and sucking the sap from beneath the surface. Insects of the first class can nearly always be destroyed by means of poisons, such as paris green and various forms of arsenates. Those of the second class, or sucking insects, are unaffected by these poisons and must be killed by contact sprays, such as kerosene emulsion, whale-oil soap, crude-oil mixtures, or the lime-sulphur-salt remedy. Another class of insects, and which none of the above remedies will reach, are those which burrow into the bark and trunk of trees. These must be treated mechanically - dug out, and barriers or repellants provided to prevent them from...



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