

1882, were cancelled in 1888, the "Contents" being added to the title and the Index replaced (as in Vol. I.) by one for the complete series of four volumes, this being inserted at the end of Vol. IV.

55. Vol. III.: by W. B. Hemsley; the Cycadaceæ by W. T. Thistelton-Dyer.

The Incompletæ, Monocotyledones, and Cryptogamic Vasculares, Nyctaginæ-Rhizocarpæ, are enumerated in Vol. III. The Cycadaceæ, pp. 190-195, were studied by Mr., now Sir W. T. Thistelton-Dyer, and his portion of the subject was issued in 1883.

56. Vol. IV.: by W. B. Hemsley.

This Volume, the last of the series, exclusive of that occupied by the Plates, includes: (1) The Supplement to Vols. I.-III.; (2) The enumeration of a small collection of plants made in Cozumel Island in 1885; (3) A list of plants from Holbox, Mugerres, Cozumel, and Ruatan Islands made in 1886; (4) Additions to the list of Costa Rican ferns, bringing the number up to 134; (5) Appendix. The Appendix deals with a variety of subjects: (i.) Preliminary remarks; (ii.) A sketch of the history of the botanical exploration of Mexico and Central America; (iii.) Outlines of the geography and the prominent features of the Flora of Mexico and Central America; (iv.) Summary and analysis of the Flora; (v.) Relationships with the Floras of other regions; (vi.) Further details of the distribution of some of the more prominent natural Orders; (vii.) A specimen of the mountain Flora of South Mexico and Central America; (viii.) Altitudinal distribution of Orchids in South Mexico and the dominating features of the general vegetation; (ix.) Recapitulation of the dominant features of the Flora of Mexico and Central America, and remarks on its probable derivation; (x.) Bibliography. The general index, as stated above, occupies pp. 333-498. The total number of species enumerated in the four volumes is 11,626, of which 196 are indicated as new by the authors.

57. Vol. V.: by W. B. Hemsley.

The 111 Plates (including XLI.*), eighteen of which are coloured, together form Vol. V. of this subject. A complete list of the 144 species figured is given on pp. v-viii. Plate CX. consists of a Map of Mexico and Central America, showing the then known northern limits (in 1887) of the Phanerogamic epiphytes, the Coco-palm, the Marcgraviaceæ, the Vochysiaceæ, and the southern limit of Pines.