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M. V. LOCQUIN, *Flore mycologique 3 and 4, Cortinariales–A.* (Ed. J.-F. Guyot, Paris, 1977).
Respect. 160 pp. and 156 pp., including 75 coloured Plates. Price: Frs. 160.–, bound Frs. 200.–.

These two volumes in which *Hebeloma* s.l. and the viscid species of *Cortinarius* s.l. are treated, are part of a work on higher fungi (with emphasis on Agaricales s.l.) of the northern hemisphere, planned in 24 volumes.

Volume three contains an introductory text of about 50 pages on technics, terminology, classification schemes, etc., followed by about 80 pages with tabulated keys to the species of the many genera into which the classical genera *Hebeloma* and *Cortinarius* are subdivided and very brief descriptions of the illustrated species of '*Hebeloma*'. The descriptions of the '*Cortinarius*' species will follow in volume five. Microscopic characters are hardly used in the keys and only very briefly mentioned in the descriptions. A few pages are added with Latin diagnoses of '*Hebeloma*' and '*Cortinarius*' species in Fries's 'Hymenomycetes europaei'.

In volume four about 180 species of '*Hebeloma*' and '*Cortinarius*' are illustrated in colour on 75 plates. Facing each plate is a black and white copy on which the most important characters and data are indicated in symbols. The coloured illustrations are redrawn copies of plates of prominent mycologists, but the origin of the plates is not indicated.

C. H. PECK, *Annual reports of the state botanist 1868–1912.* (Reprint edition, Boerhaave Press, p.o. box 1051, 2302 BB Leiden; L. Vogelenzang Ed.) Vol. 1, reports over the period 1868–1877, about 650 pp., 10 col. pls. on microfiche, biographical and bibliographical introduction (25 pp.) by R. H. Petersen and portrait of Peck added. Price Hfl. 320.– (excl. of postage).

The first volume of a set of five, containing reprints of Peck's important yearly reports of the state botanist of New York in which the great majority of Peck's about 2700 new taxa of fungi are published. Great trouble is taken to establish the correct dates of publication.