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Dr. Kurosawa is best known in insect taxonomy, leaving excellent contributions to the Thysanoptera-fauna of Japan. The Editor is much pleased to publish his thesis herein. The thesis under the title "Nippon-san Sôshirui no Kenkyu (Thysanoptera of Japan)" is his lifework, being the first attempt to classify all known species of Thysanoptera occurring in Japan. The present publication is, the Editor believes, not only important in relation to systematic entomology but also very useful from the standpoint of applied entomology.

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