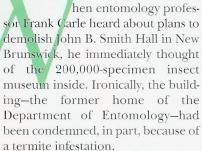
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ONE OF THE RAREST COLLECTIONS IN NEW JERSEY RELOCATES ITS 200,000 SPECIMENS.



The museum houses "specimens from New Jersey that help us trace 120 years of entomology history," says Carle, and also includes interesting foreign insects, such as a

specimens from Australia and Africa. "So I said, 'Not so fast.'"

Carle, the museum's cocurator, went to work to find a room large enough to accommodate the collection's hundreds of neatly labeled glass-covered drawers filled with some 70,000 bees, ants, and wasps; 60,000 beetles; 30,000 moths and butterflies and 40,000 other specimens. He found such a space near Smith Hallin McLean Research Lab, off Georges Road in New Brunswick.

"We refer to the collection as a museum, although it's not the kind of place that's suitable for school

The insects nearly went up in flames in 1903 when a fire broke out in

New Jersey Hall, but Smith and his students

hauled them out of the burning building.

rare dragonfly from the high mountains of the Himalayas, a damsel fly from Venezuela's Angel Falls, and groups," says Carle. The collection is mainly used for teaching and research in ecology, evolution, and behavioral studies, and making loss. to see the second of the secon

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