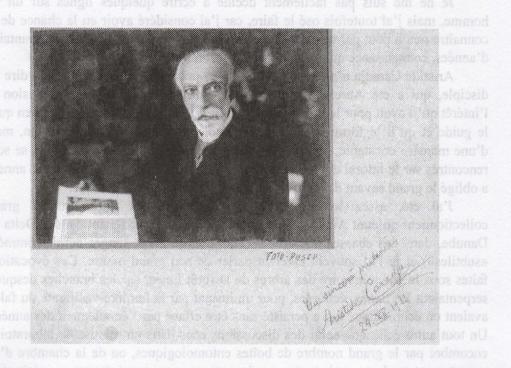
## ARISTIDE CARADJA ET SA GRANDE COLLECTION DE LÉPIDOPTÈRES

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Abstract. Aristide Caradja (1861–1955) was a well known entomologist, specialised in Asian Microlepidoptera. He had gathered a butterflies collection since his studies in France and enriched it permanently, for 56 years. Besides the items collected by himself, he financed expeditions in different places of the world, brought famous collections and rare pieces so that, in 1944, his collection had 120,000 items, most of them Microlepidoptera and no less than 3,000 types. This collection was transferred, in dramatic conditions, in June 1944, from Grumăzești (near Târgu Neamţ) the savant's residence, to the "Grigore Antipa" National Natural History Museum, in Bucharest.