

over the yellow sands of Center and among its pines, that the air about us has seemed blue from the myriads of *neglecta* driven up from the damp sands by our approach. Here, certainly, one might confidently look for *lucia*, were it but a varietal form.

Our observations and records do not agree with those of Mr. Edwards, giving June as the earliest appearance of *neglecta*. From notes made by me, and from dates of capture appended to examples in my collection, I cite the following :

In the year 1869, on May 21st, *neglecta* occurred in great abundance, all of which noticed, with three exceptions, were males. The worn condition of some of the captures indicated that they had already been abroad for several days. The locality had not been explored since the 11th of May, when the species was not found. About the 9th of June it was observed at its greatest abundance ; it was seen for the last time during this year on the 30th of July. In 1870, it was first observed on the 14th of May (none in a collecting trip on the 6th). The last recorded appearance was on the 16th of June. *L. comyntas* was seen from May 6th to Sept. 14th, continuously. In 1871, *neglecta* is recorded from May 16th to June 16th. In the following year its first record is on May 21st.

The latest date of my capture of this species is August 20th, at Schoharie, N. Y.; the earliest is at Bath-on-the-Hudson, near Albany, on May 14th (the year not stated).

The observations which I have given above, when coupled with those of Mr. Saunders appended to the paper above referred to, of the frequent occurrence of *neglecta* in his neighborhood (London, Ont.) and non-occurrence of *lucia*, would seem almost to establish beyond question their non-identity. That these statements may receive all the consideration to which they are entitled, it may be proper to accompany them with the mention made to me by Mr. Scudder, not to be construed to the disparagement of the valued labors of others, that, as the result of an elaborate tabulation of the numerous returns made to him or collated by him, of the Rhopalocerous fauna of the various portions of the United States, the two most thoroughly worked up fields were found to be those of London, Ont., and Albany, N. Y.

As a part of the history of *neglecta*, it may deserve mention that Mr. Meske reports the species as quite rare this year at Center, where in so many preceding years it has abounded.