

BOOK NOTICE,

THE BUTTERFLIES OF NORTH AMERICA, 3RD SERIES, PART XII.

The last part of Mr. W. H. Edwards's magnificent work has just appeared. For beauty of illustration and interest to Canadian Lepidopterists, it surpasses all previously issued parts. The first plate shows the type of *Chionobas Chryxus*, var. *Calais*, Scudder, from Hudson's Bay and a similar form which is found at Banff in the Rocky Mountains. The second plate shows in full all the different stages of the rare Canadian species, *C. fulta*. This insect has been twice taken at Ottawa. A special expedition having been arranged to visit the Mer Bleue in the end of June last. The day was very unpropitious, and only one specimen was seen. This was run down and captured after a hard chase. The species has been taken in restricted localities in Maine, at Quebec, Ottawa, Nepigon and in the Rocky Mountains. There are some interesting points in its life-history which need clearing up and we recommend the subject to our local members, as an opportunity for doing good scientific work. The third plate shows two more rare species of the same genus, *C. Crambis* from Labrador and *C. Brucei*, which is said to have been taken at Banff by Mr. T. E. Bean.

Mr. Edwards's great work is indispensable to all Lepidopterists, and we have lately learnt with great pleasure that \$500 has been granted from the "Bache Fund" of the American National Academy towards the publication of this important contribution to scientific knowledge.

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Among the less common coleoptera taken during the past year may be mentioned the following species:

Chlœnius niger, Rand, of which a specimen was taken near Dow's Swamp on April 30th. This is our rarest species of *Chlœnius*, only two specimens having been taken by me previously, one in Stewart's bush, (now nearly disappeared), on May 6th, 1883, and one near Hull on May 17th, 1890.

Chlœnius tomentosus, Say. This species is also not common, but a specimen was taken in the same locality, on the slope of the dam, between the canal and the swamp, on May 23rd. In shape it closely