FAMILY CANTHARIDAE.

328. CANTHARIS UNICOLOR Kirby.—Length of body 7 lines. Taken in Canada by Dr. Bigsby.

Body black, hoary from numerous decumbent white hairs; antennae subsetaceous, a little longer than the prothorax; two first joints very long, the first curved and nearly twice the length of the second; and the second as long as the three following ones together; prothorax rather bell-shaped, channelled; wings embrowned.

[Belongs to the genus Epicauta Red.]

[242.] 329. MELOE IMPRESSA Kirby.—Length of body 5¼ lines. A single specimen taken in I.at. 65°.

Nearly related to *Meloe violacea*, but very much smaller. Body violetcoloured. Head with scattered but not large punctures; front between the antennae transversely and obtusely elevated; antennae irregular; prothorax not much narrower than the head, anteriorly rounded, posteriorly narrower and emarginate, towards the base with a deepish impression, with several scattered but not large punctures, and two little transverse oblique crescents formed of punctures; elytra wrinkled; outer claws and spurs rufo-piceous, inner claws paler.

330. MELOE NIGRA Kirby.—Length of body 6 lines. A single specimen taken in Lat. 65°.

Extremely similar to the preceding species, but the body is all black with no tint of violet, except the base of the antennae below the band and the tibiae and tarsi; the head and prothorax are more thickly punctured, and the claws and spurs are ferruginous.

[Previously described as M. conferta Say.]

[243.] FAMILY MELYRIDÆ.

331. DASYTES FOVEICOLLIS Kirby.—Length of body 23/4 lines. A single specimen taken in the Journey from New York to Cumberland-house.

Body somewhat hairy, underneath black and glossy; above with a blue tint. Head glossy, punctured with largish scattered punctures; front with two impressions; prothorax nearly square, with the sides a little curved, punctured at the head, with a pair of transverse anterior impres-