

study of the British galls, and he informed me that my thorn-leaf gall was quite new to him. I found it common on thorns near Cataraqui. Can any of my Quebec entomological friends give me further information regarding it?—WM. COUPER, Ottawa, Ont.

HAIR SNAKES.—Dr. H. Hagen, of Cambridge, Mass., the well known Neuropterist, has communicated to our esteemed friend, Mr. Saunders, the following note on these curious creatures:—"Hair snakes in spiders are not so often observed. Haldeman and Leidy describe them as *Mermis robusta*, found in *Lycosa scutulata*, in North America (Proceed. Acad. Phil. vol. x., p. 58). Prof. Grube observed *Gordius aquaticus* in *Drassus fuscus*, Latr., in Prussia, two specimens in one spider. Prof. Siebold two *Mermis* in one *Micryphanti bi-cuspidatus*, Koch, in Bavaria. Duval, in Germany, observed one hair snake in *Miranda ocropegia*, Koch. Latreille one in a spider and one in *Phalangium cornutum*. Prof. V. Baer one in *Phalangium opilio*. You will find these observations in Prof. Von Siebold's Memoires in the Stettin Entom. Zeitung."

COLEOPTERA TAKEN IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF LONDON, ONT., DURING THE SEASON OF 1868.

The following account is given in the hope of affording encouragement to youthful or intending collectors, and as some slight evidence of what a beetle-bottle and a nest of pill boxes, aided by vigilant eyes and a little perseverance, will procure for one who has so little leisure for Entomology as I have.

The list is compiled from a daily journal. [We regret that our limited space forbids our publishing Mr. Reed's list *in extenso*; the enumeration of the number of species will, however, testify to the success that has rewarded his diligence.—ED. C. E.]

Cicindelidæ, 6 species, April to August.

Carabidæ, 26 species, April to August.

Dytiscidæ, 5 species, July.

Hydrophilidæ, 5 species, April and July.

Silphidæ, 3 species, May and July.

Staphylinidæ, 3 species, May and July.

Histeridæ, 3 species, April, May and July.

Vitidulidæ, 4 species, April to July.

Cucujidæ, 1 species, April, rare.

Dermestidæ, 2 species, April and June.

Byrrhidæ, 1 species, June, very rare.

Lucanidæ, 4 species, May to July.

Scarabaeidæ, 15 species, April to September.

Buprestidæ, 6 species, May to August.