

will be about fifteen days, and allowing four days for duration of the egg, we may conclude that this is deposited from 1st to 15th of July. Therefore, an effort should be made to take the females the last of June or first of July; and when taken, they should be enclosed in a gauze bag, on a stem of Hop, or on Nettle, Elm, and perhaps Currant or Wild Gooseberry; or enclosed in a keg, if convenient (nail or powder keg), from which the heads have been removed, and the upper end covered with a cloth, held down by one of the hoops. Care should be taken to stop up all holes next the ground by which the insect would escape. In this way eggs will infallibly be had, if the insect is confined with the food plant of the larvæ. In the present case, as that is not certainly known, if after 24 hours no eggs are found to be deposited, I should try one of the other plants named. If eggs are obtained, two or three should be placed in a small vial of water, to which has been added a few drops of carbolic acid solution, which preserves them effectually, and should be sent by mail to Miss Mary Peart, Pauling, Chester Co., Pennsylvania, for drawings for me. In the same way, the larvæ at different stages may be sent, in tin or wooden (not paper) boxes, by mail, with a supply of the food plant, advising by letter of such sending. The chrysalis may be sent in the same way as soon as formed. It is desirable that as full notes as possible should be taken of the changes of the larvæ. These I will publish, as well as the drawings, in Vol. II of But. N. A., with credit to the discoverer and observer.

In the same way, it is desirable that the larva of *G. gracilis* should be found, and I will give a similar reward for the discovery of the preparatory stages of this species, if attention is given to my directions in forwarding the eggs, larvæ and chrysalids for drawings.—WM. H. EDWARDS, Coalburgh, West Va., May 24th, 1873.

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