

so as to be either inwardly or outwardly oblique. A broader, diffuse dark median shade, which is usually just at or a little within the middle of both costal and inner margins, and therefore inwardly oblique. T. p. line incepted by a whitish outcurved mark on the costa, then obscurely traceable across the wing as a crenulated dusky line, more or less emphasized by outward, pale defining scales. S. t. line irregular, whitish, tending to become lost. The reniform is vaguely indicated by a dusky blotch in some examples. Secondaries dull grayish white, with a smoky tinge which forms a broad sub-basal and a yet broader extra median dark band, the inner margins of each diffuse. Between these bands is a narrower, better defined blackish line. There is also a broken, dark terminal line. Beneath, both wings whitish, powdered with blackish scales, with irregular and variable transverse dark bandings and shades; the primaries with a discal spot.

Expands: .75-.82 inches = 19-21 mm. *Habitat*: New Brighton, Penna., July 20-Aug. 2 (H. D. Merrick); Chicago, Ills., July 12 (A. Kwiat).

Eight examples, six of them males, are before me. All were received from Mr. Merrick, and all save one are of his collecting. Most of the examples are good, and far above the average for species in this group.

In size and general appearance this resembles *rotundalis*, and I have little doubt I have so determined it from single examples; but I had none like it in my own material. The occurrence of a sufficient number to make comparisons shows a species tending to the *œmula* type of maculation with a remarkably even basal and median transverse shade.

APHODIUS ERRATICUS, LINN., at Halifax, N. S.—In the Canadian Entomologist for last year (Vol. 36, p. 164) Mr. Charles Stevenson mentions the fact of *Aphodius erraticus*, Linn., having been taken by his son on Montreal Island, and states that he can find no previous record of its being taken in Canada.

When I was in Halifax in 1897, I took a number of specimens of this insect, and the list of Coleoptera taken in Halifax that year is given in the Canadian Entomologist, Vol. 31, p. 321, where the above mentioned name will be found.

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[Mr. Evans has very kindly presented some specimens of this beetle to the Society's collection, and also a number of other species of Coleoptera from the Northwest and British Columbia, which are very acceptable indeed.]