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NOTES ON "A REVISION OF THE GENUS *CENEIS*" (CHIONOBAS), "BY HENRY J. ELWES, F. L. S., F. Z. S. PRESIDENT OF THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, AND JAMES EDWARDS, F. E. S.," TRANS. ENT. SOC., LOND., 1893, PART IV. (DEC.).

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Mr. Elwes has again favoured us with one of his periodical Revisions of Genera, the last of which, relating to *Argynnis*, was reviewed by me in the CAN. ENT., XXII., p. 81, 1890.

It is stated that Mr. James Edwards is responsible for the matter of what are called "claspers" of the male, meaning the claspers of other authors; and these parts of the whole body of abdominal appendages are the only ones treated of, or relied on. He has also given a comparative table at the end, based partly on the facies, and partly on the claspers. A plate of these last is appended. On p. 458 is a statement of "the types of clasp-form" found in the genus: "in *Norna* and *Jutta* there is an unusual amount of variation, but the differences are merely those of degree, and are not, in the most extreme cases, sufficient to obscure the relationship of the species." Of like types of the "clasp-form" are:—

1. *Chryxus*, *Bore*, *Taygete*.
2. *Urda*, *Uhleri*. 3. Foreign all.
4. *Semidea*, *Jutta*, *Fulla*.
5. *Subhyalina* (which, according to Elwes, is *Aeno*, Boisd., and *Crambis*, Freyer), *Brucei*, *Norna*.

It strikes me that it is rather odd, if claspers are tests of affinity or separateness, that *Chryxus* and *Bore* should fall together; or *Semidea* and *Jutta*; or *Aeno* and *Norna*; in each case the two species named