

NEW NOCTUIDS FOR 1903.—No. I.

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Feralia Columbiana, n. sp.—Ground colour a bright emerald green, the maculation black and white. Head with a black interantennal spot. Collar with a black patch at its centre and at the base of each primary: tipped with whitish. Behind the collar there is a black edging to the disc and the loose basal tuftings are black marked. The edges of the patagia are black along the disc and at the base of the wings. The thorax itself is small and quadrate, the maculation just described forming a black square in its centre. The abdomen is deep smoky brown, yellowish or whitish at tip. Primaries with all the lines black, prominent, yet fragmentary. Basal line single, accompanied by a few white scales, becoming diffuse at the inner margin. T. a. line single, followed by a white line, outcurved as a whole and irregularly bent or curved outwardly in the interspaces. It may or may not be connected with the basal line by a black bar below the median vein. T. p. line very irregularly dentate, broad, a little diffuse outwardly, preceded by a white line, the tooth on vein 4 carrying the line nearest to the outer margin. The median shade line is irregular, broken, almost upright, coming between the ordinary spots and tending to become obsolete below the middle of the wing. If complete the tendency is to a black powdering through the outer half of the median space. There is no s. t. line. The space between t. p. line and outer margin is even to a series of large black, interspatial terminal spots which are preceded by white scales. Beyond these spots the fringes are cut with blackish, the intermediate spaces whitish. Orbicular round or oval, more or less completely outlined in white and black. Reniform large, upright, a little constricted in the middle, an inner, diffuse white line to the incomplete black defining line. Claviform indicated by black scales and more or less white filled. The secondaries may be entirely blackish with white fringes, or there may be a whitish margin and base of indefinite extent. Beneath with a geminate extra-median line on all wings; secondaries with a large black discal spot. The primaries have the terminal space green, but within that everything is more or less black powdered to the base. A large black patch on the costa between the outer line and the terminal space. The breast is a mass of smoky blackish long fine hair. The legs are banded and ringed with black, white and green.

Expands 40 mm. = 1.60 inches.