

desired to ascertain whether it was so or whether my friend was right in considering it Coleopterous—the determination being important in the light of previous published statements by Mr. Meehan. I do not see how the gratification of my desire would have in any way interfered with Dr. Hagen's intended publication, and when, after sending him a *Prodoxus* larva and asking him to tell me whether his was identical or different, no reply came, I was forced to seek the information elsewhere. Mr. Meehan kindly sent me some infested stems from the same lot as those sent to Dr. Hagen, and from them I at once recognized *Prodoxus*, and from them even bred the moths, *which did not have the characters of Pronuba*.

C. V. RILEY.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 16, 1880.

P. S.—As a post script to what I have previously written regarding Dr. Hagen's note on *Pronuba yuccasella*, I wish to say that upon meeting him he at once admitted his error, and I leave him to explain it.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 23, 1880.

C. V. R.

I have to note the capture of *Hadena confederata* Gr. on Staten Island in October. This species I have originally described from Louisiana and Texas. My friend, Mr. Thaxter, has taken it also at the same time in Cambridge, Mass. It is a Southern form, coming northward in the fall. Mr. Thaxter caught it in Jamaica, N. S. Mr. Thaxter has also bred the *Spanish Moth*, *Euthisanotia timais*, in Florida.

A. R. GROTE.

During August I had a three weeks' hunt about Ridgeway, and a finer place for the purpose I have never been in. I brought home one *Catocala* new to me, small size. One day I saw a little beauty sitting on a tree, which I took for a *Catocala*, but it is *Ephesia elonympha*, a perfect gem in its way. We came across three butterflies I never saw alive before: *Papilio marcellus*, *P. philenor* and *Funonia coenia*. We took but one of each; also one specimen of *creosphontes*. Some fine flies taken on the lake shore; beautiful specimens of the banded *Midas*, and a large red one I had not seen before.

The sand seemed full of the larvae of the Ant Lion, but it was too early for the mature insect. I took one specimen of *Myrmelion abdominalis* at Long Point, and one of a species I don't know.

Hamilton, Aug. 10, 1880.

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