

retrospective wanderings into the infant realm of bread-and-butter, nankeens, and credulity-in-perfection, and I may as well agree with my readers as my recollections of infancy will only cost more printer's ink without further enhancing the value of my pamphlet. The novelty of the first underwing moth (*Catocala Amatrix*) has passed away, nor can an old torn *Telea Polyphemus* longer hold me spell-bound, and as the years of man are few, and time goeth far too swiftly, I may as well at once get out of the shadowy past into the real present, and make the most of it by endeavoring to obtain from those interested in our beloved science, further material wherewith to feast my eyes, and to give me greater opportunity of acquiring knowledge of these most lovely of all of nature's works.

As I continually have need of great numbers of examples of different species, I am always glad to exchange with parties having duplicates of Moths or Butterflies, either native or exotic. Of the N. American species I can always use almost any number of perfect examples of all species, especially, *Lycaenidae*, *Hesperiidae*, *Sphingidae*, *Bombycidae*, *Catocalidae* and the *Noctuae* and *Geometrae* generally. Very rare species will be acceptable even if they be not perfect specimens, for of such we must be content to take the best we can get, without being too fastidious. I particularly want numbers of *Sphingidae*, (except *Deil. Lineata*, *S. 5-Maculata* and *S. Carolina*,) also *Arotidae*, any species, *Hem. Maia*, *Cith. Regalis*, *Eac. Imperialis*, *Act. Luna*, *Cal. Angulifera*, *Debis Portlandia*, *Neonympha Gemma*, *Neo. Areolatus*, *Catocala Coccinata*, *C. Viduata*, *C. Muliercula*, *C. Amasia*, *C. Relicta*, and in fact any others.

The following are a few particular desiderata of the N. American species, viz.:

*Argynnis Nokomis*, ♂ ♀  
*Argynnis Leto*, ♀  
*Lycaena Regia*,  
*Colias Edwardsii*, ♀  
*Macroglossa Flavofasciata*,  
*Sesia Axillaris*,  
*Proserpinus Gaurae*,  
*Darapsa Versicolor*,

*Arotia Parthenos*,  
*Plutysamia Columbia*,  
*Citheronia Sepulchralis*,  
*Hepialus Purpurascens*,  
*Catocala Stretchii*,  
*Catocala Irene*,  
*Catocala Zoe*,  
*Catocala Consors*.

For one or more of any of these I will give large exchanges or pay in money, as may be most agreeable.

I am also equally desirous of obtaining such exotics as I need from parties having duplicates from any locality.

The following species and varieties I would esteem above everything could I but obtain them; and I insert this, not with any expectation of speedily getting them, but knowing that they are in the world, I hope that perhaps after many days or years some one or other of them may come into my possession. I can only watch and wait, and beg that if any European friend is fortunate enough ever to possess any of the following in duplicate he would remember then that there is one here who has grown grey trying to obtain them, who will give any exchange or pay in cash for them their price. That I should die without beholding these would be, indeed, too hard a fate, but I will not stop to contemplate so desolate a prospect, but will proceed to name the peerless things, which are as follows: