

Many species no doubt pass the winter in the perfect state, but being either buried deep in the ground or imbedded in the substance of trees escape our notice, and as few entomologists are sufficiently enthusiastic to make large and deep excavations with so little prospect of return I fear our knowledge of such as are included in the former category will long remain incomplete. My own exertions at the wood pile have yielded only bark beetles (and larvæ) during the winter, though some evidently spend this season more or less deeply imbedded in sound or decaying wood. (See note by Mr. Blanchard, CAN. ENT. VII., p. 97.)

Any comparison of such an incomplete list of our winter insects with the forms known from the inhospitable climate of the far north would be vain; but I would remark the preponderance of Staphylinidæ, as suggestive, when taken in conjunction with the nature of the species of the other families here noted, of at least an apparent similarity.

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### CHIONOBAS UHLERI.

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Mr. W. H. Edwards, in his most interesting account of *Chionobas uhleri*, (Butt. N. A., Pl. XII., Vol. 3) remarks that he can find no evidence that it is found in the south of Colorado. It may, therefore, be as well to record that I found it near Swift Creek, in Custer County; and Mr. H. W. Nash informed me that it occurred at Rosita, in the same county. These localities are just north of 38° N. Lat.

With regard to the variation in the ocelli of this and other Satyridæ, it becomes rather difficult to give statistics without the use of some regular formula. Mr. Edwards gives the *number* of ocelli observed in different individuals, but we are left in doubt as to *which* particular ones were present, and which absent.

A convenient method of indicating the exact nature of these variations is to have a series of figures corresponding to the interspaces, numbering from above downwards. If a butterfly had fully developed pupilled ocelli in all the interspaces, the formula would read P. (for primary) 1234567, S. (for secondary) 1234567. When an ocellus was wanting, 0 might be