was taken by Mr. Evans, at Evansville. As he thought it to be a short-bodied form of *S. carolina*, he has no recollection of the exact date or place in which it was found.

## Acanthosoma cruciata, Say.

Mention of this handsome member of the family Pentatomidæ occurs in but few of the published lists of Heteroptera. This is probably not so much due to its scarcity as to an ignorance of its food-plant and habitat. In Indiana I have found it in abundance on several occasions, but always on the leaves and stems of Spikenard (Aralia racemosa, L.), growing on the sides of deep damp ravines. The mature insect may be taken during August and September.

## Trichopepla semivittata, Say.

This is another uncommon Pentatomid, which appears to have a special food-plant. I have taken it but once, Sept. 9th, 1894, in Vigo Co., Ind., where I found it very common in all stages, on the heads, and in the angles of the leaves, of the plant known as Rattlesnake-Master, or Button Snake-root (*Eryngium yuccaefolium*, Michx.). The insect will probably be found wherever this plant abounds.

## Libythea Bachmani, Kirtland.

This little butterfly, so readily known by its long, beaklike palpi and angled fore wings, is usually of rare occurrence in Indiana. This season, however, it has been very common, and has been noted in a number of localities in the State. On June 14th, eighteen specimens were secured from the flowers of some basswood trees (Tilia americana, I.), which stand in front of my residence, in a thickly settled portion of the City of Indianapolis.

## Papilio philenor, L.

This butterfly is very common in Indiana, and for a long time I was puzzled as to its food-plant, the ones commonly mentioned in the books, Aristolochia serpentaria, L., and A. sipho, L'Her, being very rare in the State. The problem was solved one day, however, when I found the larvæ of philenor feeding upon the leaves of the wild ginger (Asarum Canadense, L.), a common plant along the rich hillsides of Central and Southern Indiana, and one which belongs to the same family as the different species of Aristolochia.

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