this genus, and is a synonym of Satyrus Ridingsii, I have been informed. Oen. nevadensis has been described by Behr.

- 2. Enodia, *Hubner* (1816). No one can possibly object to this designation for our *E. portlandia* on any score.
- 3. Minois, *Hubner* (1816.) This generic name has priority, and Mr. Scudder shows that it represents a distinct type. It cannot be objected to on any score. Besides *nephcle* and *alope*, it includes *M. pegala*, *M. ariane* and *M. boopis*. The former is a Southern species, the *Papilio pegala* of Fabr., and thought to be a possible form of *M. alope*; the two latter are described by Behr under Satyrus.
- 4. Argus, Scopoli (1777). Mr. Scudder restricts Scopoli's term to our species, the Hipparchia Boisduvalii of Harris, enumerated under another name by Scopoli. To this procedure there is no objection, provided that Boisduval's types of Argus were not of those referred to the genus by Scopoli, which we cannot determine at the moment, when Boisduval's restriction would have priority. Hubner has, however, a Satyrid genus Arge, the type of which is A. psyche.
- 5. Megisto, *Hubner* (1816.) Hubner's type is *M. cymelia*, to which he refers Eurytus as a synonym. He includes in his genus Megisto Mr. Scudder's type of Argus. There can be objection to the use of the term if we do not follow Mr. Butler's Enlargement of Euptychia.

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NOTES ON THE HABITS OF THE ANT LION.

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It was in April of 1872, while at Plymouth, Mass., with a party of friends in search of the Mayflower *Epigaa repens*, that I was so fortunate as to capture a specimen of the larva of this insect. It was quite by accident that it came to my hands. A friend and myself were lounging by the roadside, for want of better employment thrusting our fingers into the light sand, when with a jerk and exclamation my friend withdrew his hand to find this larva clinging with a most determined nip to a finger; it immediately dropped to the ground, however, and so quickly buried itself backward as to almost escape us, but a moment's lively digging revealed