

A *Lais* "seems to me very near *Atlantis*"; and in the list, p. 546, he says "*Lais* (*Atlantis* var.?)," not being able to determine whether it is a species or a var. He never, in text or list, refers to the plate of *Lais*, in Butt. N. A., vol. 3, which, as well as the description, testifies to a species that cannot be confounded with *Atlantis*.

"There occur, however, in Nevada, forms which are described as *Laura* and *Macaria*, of which I have authentic specimens from Mr. H. Edwards, and which, by their under sides, seem to be *Coronis*." Then, in same connection, speaking of *Chitone*, as before quoted, he goes on: "None of these names can, in my opinion, be retained, except as synonymns, though they are *all kept up* in Mr. Edwards' Catalogue as distinct species." On this I remark that Mr. Henry Edwards is one of the few experienced lepidopterists who are well acquainted with the American Argynnides. He collected for several seasons in California and Nevada, and knows more of the living butterflies than any other one man. In doubtful cases I rely on his judgment above all persons. His collection does not embrace, by a good deal, all the described species; but, so far as it goes, it is complete, and each species is represented in long suites. This collection was undoubtedly the most important one Mr. Elwes visited. "In going through Mr. Edwards' collection, I noted *Columbia* as similar to *Hesperis*;" and on the strength of that casual glance one May morning, down goes *Hesperis* as *Atlantis* pure and simple, and *Columbia* as well but with a query, the usual confession of ignorance of its position. It takes something more than "going through" a collection in this fashion to make one's self acquainted with forty species, and giving the right to pronounce on them. In the present case, also, some deference might be thought due to Mr. Edwards' standing and experience. But, I doubt very much whether Mr. Elwes saw *Macaria*. So far as I know, it is not Nevadan, but is confined to the Greenhorn Mountains and Kern River region in South California.

"Whether *Montivaga* and its var. *Egleis* are really distinct from *Eurynome* and its varieties, is hard to say," p. 574. Who said *Egleis* was a var. of *Montivaga*? I am confident the author of this paper never saw *Montivaga*, unless under another name. It is neither *Egleis* nor *Eurynome*, but the same as *Arge* Strecker, which last is not *Erinna* at all, as anyone can see by reading the two descriptions. Mr. Mead, who has a keen eye for resemblances or differences, (alas, that he has gone over to the