

found to be covered with small yellowish-white mites, and they were carefully scraped off with a sharp knife. As a reward I received a bite on the finger that penetrated the skin deep enough to bring the blood. On August 25, more than a year after the capture, I found in the box a very lively *Alaus myops* that measured 39 millimeters. From the same box there appeared *Coscinoptera dominicana* and *Pogonocherus mixtus*, two fortunate individuals that had escaped the maw of the savage *Alaus*. It seems to me that the larva of this insect is generally carnivorous instead of lignivorous as has been often stated. The flattened head and prominent mandibles are well fitted for searching out and seizing larvæ beneath the bark of dead and dying trees, or stumps from which the bark has become loosened.

*Melanotus leonardi* Lec. A number of specimens of this were taken at Paris, June 15, 1910, on raspberry bushes that fringed the bare, ledgy summit of a hill.

*Corymbites vernalis* Hentz. Five or six specimens of this were taken at Wales, June 16, 1907, on the flowers of the black cherry (*Prunus serotina*) and on June 12, 1909, a few more were taken flying about a clump of *Prunus virginiana* near the same locality.

*Corymbites fallax* Say. The only specimens I have ever seen were the two that were beaten from small paper birch trees near the summit of a hill at Paris, June 15, 1910.

*Hypnoidus melsheimeri* Horn, a variety of *pectoralis* Say, *exiguus* Rand., and *striatulus* Lec. (?) were all taken on July 9, 1914, at the old fording place on the Little Androscoggin River at South Paris. They were discovered by turning over the stones that were half imbedded in the sandy soil and pulling up the bunches of grass that grew among them. I do not think they were beneath the stones but around the edges, from whence they were dislodged into the cavity. All the specimens were found in one spot a few feet in diameter and I could not find them anywhere else on the beach, even in spots that appeared exactly the same.

The noon sun had poured down its rays upon this spot and the high banks and wooded shores had guarded it from every