

## CORRESPONDENCE.

*Dear Sir* : In my collecting notes for 1883 I find the following items :

“ June 24. Took upon the ground under a white-wood tree, a male *Callosamia promethca*, with peculiar marks upon front wings.”

“ June 27. Two specimens of *promethca*, male and female, both showing the peculiarity of markings noticed in the one captured on 24th inst.”

These were fresh specimens, evidently just hatched, and were found under the same white-wood tree. Examining the bushes and under-brush, I found an empty cocoon, apparently that of *promethca*, hanging to a beech shrub. Never having seen *angulifera*, and knowing there was no name in the Canadian list except *promethca* for such an insect to come under, I placed it in my collection as a variety of that species. Mr. Moffat pronounced it *angulifera* the moment he saw the specimens, and took home with him a male, sending me a male from Mr. James Angus in return. The latter specimen measures 4 inches, while the male of my own capture expands only  $3\frac{3}{4}$ , and the female a little over  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches. As Mr. Moffat announced in the June number, these moths were taken near this village. A friend of mine, Mr. Avery, got one in the same woods this summer.

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*Dear Sir* : In some collecting done the past season near McLean P. O., in the Northwest Territory, I found *Vanessa cardui* common, and during latter half of June saw a good many individuals of *Euptoicta claudia* Cramer. Neither of these butterflies appear in the lists of Capt. Geddes in CAN. ENT., Dec., 1883, and March, 1884. This occurrence of *claudia* is interesting, and to me rather a surprise. The locality mentioned is on the Can. Pac. Ry., 332 miles west of Winnipeg, and about 25 miles south-west of Fort Qu'Appelle.

THOS. E. BEAN.

*Dear Sir* : Dr. J. G. Morris writes me that he will have later, a letter from the son of the Rev. J. F. Melsheimer, the oldest son of F. V. Melsheimer. Rev. J. F. Melsheimer was a minister in Hanover from 1814 to 1826. He died in 1829, in Adams Co., Pa., and left three children, all of whom are living.

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