though nine days on the road four larvæ reached me. One had just passed 2nd moult, one was swollen for 2nd moult, and two were in middle of second stage.

## DESCRIPTION OF LARVA OF L. EROS.

Shortly before 2nd moult--Length .2; another .24 inch. Shape of *Disippus* at same stage, but the color red-brown, the sides darker; the dorsal patch red-buff; the processes on 3rd segment measuring .03 inch, stout at base, tapering to top, black, the knobs on their sides tawny.

After 2nd moult—Length .35 inch; red-brown; all the tubercles except those on the dorsal patch reddish, this patch yellow-buff; the processes on 3 now .05 inch, black and as before.

After 3rd moult—Length .4 inch ; body very red ; the processes on 3 now.14 inch long, black, slender, bent forward at top ; many sharp thorns about the sides, and these as well as the stems are shining black, except the tips of the thorns, which are tawny ; the dorsal patch yellow-white. Duration of this stage 5 days.

After 4th moult (6 hours after)-Length .7 inch; segments 2, 3, 4 red-tawny, clear colored, very little specked with black ; 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13 red-ferruginous, with little or no black ; the patch on 9, and partly covering 8 and 10, reddish-tawny; the side stripe on basal ridge red-tawny, the processes on 3 vary from .2 to .26 inch long, slender, tapering regularly from base to top, their sides much covered with separated sharp spurs of irregular sizes; the tips of these are tawny, but all else and the processes are shining black; between these are two fine crested tuberculations, color of the ground; on 4 are two large crests at the ends of the dorsal ridge, and two between these; 5 has two small crests and three rows of red bead-like processes; 6 has an elevated ridge with a mamilloid process at each end, the top crested; the succeeding segments have but two dorsal tubercles to each, and to 11 they are small; on the patch concolored; 7 is beaded like 5, and 11 and 12 are much beaded ; 13 has two pairs of prominent processes, one quite at the extremity, and these are largest; on 12 two large tapering processes crested at tops; all crests are composed of little knobs like rice grains, and are red; similar small crested tubercles on the sides, one row above, one below spiracles; feet and legs red; head obovoid, depressed at top, the vertices high; color wholly red, except over mandibles across

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