

a Maine hillside in the town of Wales, when I caught a gleam of emerald in a small patch of freshly washed out earth on which a wandering sunbeam for a moment rested. I picked up the specimen and carelessly threw it in to the alcohol bottle, thinking it a new record for *Gaurotes cyanipennis*, for I had never seen it in Maine. Some weeks later, when I came to examine it, I found it was *Anthophilax malachiticus*.

The most conspicuous—that is, after they were once seen—of the *Elateridæ* were *Alaus oculatus* and *myops*, which were taken on the board piles with *Agriotes stabilis* (also taken on raspberry flowers) and *Elater semicinctus*. *Corymbites cruciatus* was taken only once flying in the yard.

When the shadows began to lengthen, the air was filled with minute flying forms—*Scolytidæ*, *Staphylinidæ*, *Lathridiidæ* and many others whose family names have not yet been noted.

On the second day after my arrival, a small sand-bar at the edge of the river attracted my attention, and before I was aware of it, an hour had passed. Here I secured a single *Elaphrus riparius*, my first record for New England, although I have seen several from the Lake of the Clouds, Mt. Washington, N. H. By scooping up water and throwing it over the mud and sand, numbers of *Bembidium*, *Staphylinidæ*, and a few *Omophron americanum*, and *Heterocerus tristis*, were taken.

On another day, when the sun had become obscured and a cold wind had driven all the lumber-loving species to cover, I spent two or three hours throwing water with an abandoned basin upon the stony beach that marks the fording place of an old Indian trail. Here several species of *Bembidium*, *Tachys scitulus*, *Hypnoides exiguus* a larger species of *Hypnoides*, *Apristus subsulcatus*, *Omophron tessellatum*, and many species of *Staphylinidæ* were driven out of their hiding places and captured as they scurried about. When the basin failed me and more water came through the bottom than out the top, I turned my attention again to the slab piles and stray bits of lumber. Here I found *Dinoderus substriatus* (?) boring into the strips of bark that clung to small bits of pine slabs. A fine specimen of *Ditylus cæruleus* encouraged me to handle over a cord or so of pitchy pine and silvery hemlock, without further success, except a few well-known *Histeridæ* and *Cucujidæ*.