

Say, belonging to the family Lymexylidae, of which no representative had previously been recorded within our district.

On referring to Henshaw's check-list of N. A. Coleoptera, it appears that there are still thirteen families of which no examples have yet been captured here. Several of these families are, however, represented by single species, and altogether furnish only about thirty forms. Many of these are southern or western, but a few may be found to occur here if collecting is carefully continued. Unfortunately at present the collectors are few in number, and unable throughout the season to devote to collecting the time necessary to assure the capture of species which may occur only for brief periods, or in very small numbers. Mr. Simpson last summer collected assiduously at King's Mere, and was rewarded by many fine species, such as the beautiful longicorns *Purpuricenus humeralis* Fab. and *Anthophilax malachiticus* Hald. He obtained also additional specimens of the interesting and somewhat rare staphylinid, *Lomechusa cava* Lec., a dweller in ants' nests, and many other members of the same family, of which some have been determined by Mr. Wickham, and several additions thereby made to our lists. Many undetermined species in nearly all families are still in our collections, and there still remains plenty of work for local Coleopterists.

Among the eminent entomologists who for many years rendered invaluable assistance, none did so more willingly or more painstakingly than Dr. John Hamilton, of Allegheny, Pa., who recently died in Florida. He was one of the foremost of American Coleopterists and the author of numerous valuable contributions to the leading entomological publications. Many of these dealt with Canadian insects, and special attention was given by him to the geographical distribution of northern species. He was also a very careful and industrious collector, as is well evidenced by almost his latest production, a Catalogue