

Doubtless in this instance the leaves so consumed were used in the construction of suitable nests, in which to deposit the eggs and rear the young of those insects.

#### A STRAWBERRY BUG (*Corimelana*—?).

The insect above referred to belongs to an entirely different order from any of those already treated of, its place being among the *Hemiptera* or true bugs, but in its general appearance it very much resembles a small beetle, and indeed it is often mistaken for one. This bug is about one-tenth of an inch long, nearly round, and of a deep shining black colour. Its habit is to puncture the stem of the fruit and thus cause it to wither. In the *Canada Farmer* for 1867, page 328, and also in that for 1868, page 189, references are made to this insect, and it would seem that about that time it was very troublesome to the strawberries in the grounds of Mr. Chas. Arnold, of Paris, Ont., but it does not appear to have continued its devastations sufficiently since then to attract much attention. Mr. Riley refers to it as occurring in the west quite abundantly in some localities.—See *Amer. Entomologist*, vol. 1, page 207. Besides being injurious to the strawberry, it is said to have affected the raspberry, the cherry and the quince.

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