

surface of the mixture: One *Tachys laevus* Say, seven *Tachys granarius* Dej., one *Amara cupreolata* Putz., two *Agonoderus testaceus* Dej., many *Stenolophus conjunctus* Say, several *Helophorus lineatus* Say, one *Ilybius biguttatus* Germ., one *Phelister subrotundus* Say, three *Cytilus (sericeus) alternatus* Say, two *Heterocerus brunneus* Melsh., one *Atenius imbricatus* Melsh. (my first record for this), four *Aphonus castaneus* Melsh., two *Graphops curtipennis* Melsh., one *Graphops marcassita* Cr., twelve *Dyschirius* sp., seven *Aleocharina* sp., one *Aleocharina* sp., two *Stenus* sp., two other *Staphylinida* sp., two species of ants, several spiders, two plush-covered caterpillars, two larvæ, one chrysalis, and one small Dipteron that appeared at home on the surface of the water.

The only vegetation here was some moss or lichens and a few spears of grass. Several much more favourable looking places failed to yield a single specimen other than *Hydrobius fuscipes*.

The catch numbered 60 odd specimens of 21 species representing 19 genera and 9 families of the Coleoptera alone.

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#### APHIDS ON CALIFORNIA PRIVET IN NEW JERSEY.

As a rule, California privet (*Ligustrum ovalifolium*) enjoys unusual freedom from insect attacks in New Jersey, even though it becomes infested with *Aleyrodes citri* Riley & Howard in the southern states and the San José scale in California. In New Jersey white grubs (*Lachnosterna* sp.) have been found injuring the roots, and occasionally a stray San José scale is discovered, but on July 15, 1915, a privet hedge in Jersey City was found to be infested by plant lice. The upper surfaces of the leaves were characteristically discoloured, some being quite yellow and the foliage of the infested plants had a peculiar limp appearance instead of being twisted and curled. Specimens were sent to Prof. C. P. Gillette and determined by Mr. L. C. Bragg as *Rhopalosiphum ligustri* Kalt. They also stated that they believed this to be the first record of the occurrence of this species in the United States.

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