

identification. He pronounced it to be a *Xylina* without doubt, but retained it for further investigation. On the 6th of March, 1893, I received a letter from him conveying what was to me the gratifying information that it had proved to be *X. oriunda*, on comparison with a typical specimen in the U. S. National Museum. I had long desired to obtain a specimen of *Oriunda*, and made inquiries for it of those with whom I exchanged, but none of my correspondents had ever met with it. *Lithophanes* have been one of my favourites, and my interest in this one was specially awakened by reading in the CANADIAN ENTOMOLOGIST, Vol. 7, p. 188, a quotation made by Mr. Grote from a letter received by him from Mr. Norman, where, after giving the names of the *Lithophanes* he had taken at Orillia, he adds, "and that lovely *Oriunda* a single specimen," that quotation constituting the whole of my knowledge of the insect until recently.

The original description by Mr. Grote is to be found in the Bulletin of the Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences, Vol. 2, p. 160, which I copy in full for the benefit of those of your readers who may not have the volume to refer to :—

"LITHOPHANE ORIUNDA, Grote. Allied to *L. Bethunei*, and belonging to the typical group of the genus. Distinct, intense, even, somewhat purply-brown. Forewings concolorous, with the costal edge shaded with whitish to the t p. line, and interrupted by oblique brown streaks indicating the transverse lines. Reniform and orbicular spots more or less shaded with whitish, shaped as in *L. Bethunei*. Claviform distinctly outlined in black, large. Subterminal line alone distinctly indicated by pale points. The median dentate lines more or less lost in the ground colour. Veins terminally indistinctly black marked opposite pale dots on the brown dentate fringes. Secondaries dark fuscous, with a warmer shade on the fringes. Beneath paler, shaded with reddish, with a distinct discal spot on the paler hind-wings and a common line. On the primaries the pale costal dots are evident on both surfaces. Expanse, 34 m.m. Canada, Mr. Wm. Saunders, No. 960.

"Colour like *L. ferrealis*, but darker, with the subterminal line more even, the orbicular smaller, and the costal discoloration paler and more distinctly contrasted and limited."

This description is dated Sept., 1874.

No mention is made of the number of specimens the description is taken from, and Prof. Saunders does not now recollect the number of specimens captured by him, but knows that they were but few; perhaps not more than three. It would be very interesting if the number of speci-