

Melitaea phacton, generally very rare here, was more abundant this spring. I found the larvæ feeding on *Gerardia pedicularis*; afterwards I obtained eggs from confined females and found eggs out doors on same plant. The eggs hatched. The larvæ therefrom, and additional larvæ found out doors, feed on the above-named plant, and developed and spun up as Mr. W. H. Edwards has it in his Butterflies of N. A., vol. ii., part 4.

There grows another *Gerardia* here, the *G. purpurea*, on which the larvæ of *Funonia coenia* feed.

Callidryas eubule is found here in a few specimens every year; last year fresh specimens were in great abundance.

Terias mexicana (worn) --I have captured a small and a large specimen of this species during several years collecting.

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BOOK NOTICE.

The Canadian Sportsman and Naturalist, Vol. 1, Nos. 1 to 8.

This is a monthly journal published in Montreal, and edited by Wm. Couper, a well known naturalist and sportsman. Each number contains eight pages of matter arranged in double columns, printed in first-class style and on good paper. The articles are short and interesting, treating mainly of matters pertaining to hunting and fishing, with brief descriptions of Canadian wild animals, birds, etc.

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