Prof. Fernald reported the capture in Maine of a suffused form, partially yellow and part black.

Dr. Hoy asked whether all the food plants of P. ajax were known. He has found perfectly fresh specimens, and no pawpaw within 200 miles of the place. The butterfly is often common, but he has never found the food plant of the larva.

Mr. Larkin had noticed at his station south of Syracuse that insects were unusually scarce. The potato beetle even was very rare—not found at all in some fields. He had noticed that when they have winters that kill wheat, then usually the apple crop is good and there are few insects.

Mr. Aaron said in reply to Dr. Hoy's query, that *ajax* would feed on either spice-wood or upland huckleberry, as well as pawpaw.

Dr. Hoy said they had the huckleberry, not the spice-wood.

Mr. Osborn said he had seen ajax in Iowa where they had neither pawpaw nor the huckleberry, and he thought no spice-wood. He also reported a statement from Sioux City that there, *Chrysochus auratus* was so common that they were crushed under foot on the streets. Was not this unusual?

Mr. Mann said in the woods he had seen them piled in great heaps upon the stones.

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## NEW CATALOGUE OF BUTTERFLIES.

We are glad to learn that a new edition of the Catalogue of the Diurnal Lepidoptera of America north of Mexico, by Wm. H. Edwards, is now in press and will shortly be issued. Since the last edition was published in 1877, a large number of new species have been described, and much information gained with regard to the geographical distribution of our butterflies. A work so much needed, prepared by so competent an authority, will be of great value to all who are interested in this department of Entomology.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

- Dear Sir: Mr. Lyman's objection to my statement of the size of angulifera is quite correct. No one could tell by it whether it was one inch or five in expanse of wing, and is only excusable from the nature of the communication, which was not a description of the insect, but only