

six to ten feet in diameter. Rarely more than one specimen was taken in a spot, and the eyes had to be constantly fixed on the ground to get any. An entire day was spent at this back-breaking collecting, and when sunset came I felt very much as I used to feel after a day of potato digging.

*Elaphrus olivaceus* Lec. After returning home and critically examining the catch of *clairvillei*, I was delighted to find two specimens that I thought were *laevigatus*, but comparison with the single specimen in the LeConte collection at Cambridge showed them to be typical *olivaceus*, which I had supposed was a mountain species. These specimens were taken out in the open meadow at the edge of the brook on bare and soft mud. This sluggish, winding, meadow stream which is barely two feet wide in places and in others scarcely traceable, can be but a few hundred feet above sea level, and is hidden between hills of more than a hundred feet rise. On the west, a mile away, is Sabattus Mountain, the highest elevation for miles around. The vegetation of the meadow is the common, coarse, broad-leaved grass of the low lands in Maine, and along the edge *Alnus incana* which runs up in places to meet the juniper of the bare and rocky pasture land. Within the last few years the larger growth of the hillsides has been cut off.

*Elaphrus cicatricosus* Lec. On June 25, 1912, and July 16, 1914, I visited the woodland swamp on the shore of Lake Cochewewin at Monmouth where I had found this species in 1910. It is rather remarkable that three specimens were taken on each of the three years, one specimen in one spot and two in the other, and either spot can be covered with a wash tub. One additional specimen was taken after thoroughly "treading" over the thousand or so square feet of swamp in 1914. No specimens could be found in the denser growth where no sun entered and no grass grew.

*Blethisa quadricollis* Hald. My only specimen of this species was taken at Wales, June 23, 1912. I had dammed up a tiny rivulet to drive out small species of beetles, and the rising water chased into view this fine Carabid.

*Badister pulchellus* Lec. While hunting for *Elaphrus* at Wales, as previously noted, five specimens of this showy little beetle