

NOTES ON THE GENITALIA OF *HALISIDOTA HARRISII*,
WALSH.

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I see by Mr. Lyman's address (1899) before the Entomological Society of Ontario that he is a convert to the view of the specific distinctness of *Halisidota tessellaris* and *H. Harrisii*. I believe this to be correct.

When I last referred to the genitalic differences of these species, I expressed a possible doubt that the apparent differences might be found evanescent in a large material. Having just examined 74 preparations, I do not find this to be the case. In *tessellaris* the upper point of the side piece is free from the outer lobe and projecting (fig. 2);



in *Harrisii* this point is concealed behind the lobe and pressed close to it (fig. 1). The differences are small, but readily perceptible. The preparations were made from two bred *tessellaris* and three bred *Harrisii*; afterward 69 captured examples were examined. These were a part of the specimens from Poughkeepsie, N. Y., recorded in *Insect Life*, and they proved to be 96% *tessellaris*. The total number captured should therefore be approximately 2,570 *tessellaris* and 106 *Harrisii*. *Harrisii* is evidently considerably the rarer species of the two.

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