

## CABBAGE BUTTERFLY.

Mr. Saunders reported that as far as he could ascertain, the extreme western limit of this insect did not at present exceed 100 miles west of Chicago. Prof. Bell stated that he was of opinion that in the neighborhood of Belleville the common English Sparrow had proved useful in destroying the larvæ of this butterfly.

The chairman, Mr. Saunders, remarked that this was contrary to the experience of all those who had made a special study of the habits of this sparrow, and enquired whether the Professor had ever examined the crop of the bird for evidences of the presence of this larva, to which the Professor replied in the negative.

## A RARE BEETLE.

Prof. Bell exhibited several specimens of *Alaus gorgops*, one of which he had captured near Belleville; and showed the peculiar points of difference between this insect and our common Eyed Elater, *Alaus oculatus*.

## NEW CLOVER INSECT.

Mr. Wm. Weld, editor of the *Farmer's Advocate*, said that he had lately read in several American papers accounts of the ravages of a new clover insect, that specimens of clover heads had recently been sent him by several correspondents, infested with an insect which he believed to be this new species, and asked whether any of the Entomologists present could give him any information as to where it had occurred and the amount of damage it was likely to cause in this Province.

Mr. Arnold thought from what he had heard from those growing clover in his vicinity that this insect was injuring the crop there. Mr. Saunders said that the insect had not yet come under his observation and that he would be very glad to receive specimens from any person who should find them in this Province.

The insect referred to is the Clover Midge, *Cecidomyia leguminicola*, a small fly which in its larval state devours the ripening seeds in the clover heads.

## PEA BUGS.

Mr. Weld also enquired as to the experience of those present as to the ravages of this pest during the year.