

OBITUARY.

We record with much regret the death of Miss Mary E. Murtfeldt, which took place at her residence in Kirkwood, Mo., on the 23rd of February last. She was a contributor from time to time to the pages of this magazine and a subscriber for a long series of years. When the late Dr. C. V. Riley was State Entomologist of Missouri she gave him much material assistance, studying and recording the life-histories of many species of insects in the preparation of his series of reports on the Insects of Missouri, which are amongst the most valuable of his writings. After his appointment to be Chief of the Bureau of Entomology at Washington, she continued her interest in entomology. Her contributions were always of much value, as she was very painstaking and accurate in her observations. She belonged to several scientific societies, and was highly esteemed by all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance.

A NOTE ON *GRAPTA J-ALBUM*.

During the month of August, 1908, whilst camped in a mountain valley, engaged in collecting insects, I was interested to observe this butterfly attracted to a piece of bacon hanging in a small tree near the tent. It fluttered round for a few minutes and settled several times upon the bacon. Shortly it was joined by two other individuals, both of which alighted as did the first comer. They must have been attracted as are some other Lepidoptera, by the scent, perhaps. That the drawing power of the bacon was powerful was evident from the fact that during our stay of three days at this spot these butterflies were always to be seen during the warm part of the day hovering round what we called the bacon tree, and constantly alighting on and round the attractive board.

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