

rear them, as I suspected they were the larvæ of *Alaria florida*, Guen. But I am somewhat puzzled; I have not found the green caterpillar on the leaves but always on the buds with its head buried, eating into the bud from the outside, and I could not make out whence the animal came; but Mr. Saunders seems to have found it on the leaves. On examining some of the buds which had a hole in them, and apparently the worm attacks only those just about to blossom, I found on the inside a worm about one-third of the size of the green one; more of a grey colour and marked almost exactly the same, only much more distinctly,—at least it seems so to me. I did not find this worm in all. Now in what relation do these stand to each other, or are they quite different? The *Alaria* seems fond of sweet-scented flowers; the only one I had ever taken before this year was on the *Datura Africana*, the perfume of which is almost overpowering.—HENRY CROFT, Univ. College, Toronto, August 16th, 1869. [In reference to the above, which was crowded out of our last issue, Mr. Saunders states that he had also observed this smaller larva in seed pods of *Oenothera* for the first time a few days before the date of Prof. Croft's letter. It was very similar in colour to the larva of *A. florida*, but quite distinct, being very small. He has some of them now in chrysalis only quarter of an inch long. He adds that he did not usually find his specimens of *Alaria* feeding on the leaves, but generally with their heads buried in the flower buds, as described by Prof. Croft; he fed them, however, on both leaves and buds in captivity.—ED.]

COLLECTING GROUND ON LAKE SUPERIOR.—Pie Island in Thunder Bay, Lake Superior, is the best place I know of for Coleoptera. Should any Entomologist go to Thunder Bay, let him by all means visit Pie Island. I am sure I observed 100 species that were new to me when on it, but unfortunately I had no means of collecting.—JOHN MACOUN, Belleville.

CAPTURES.—*Eudamus tityrus*, Sm. Abb. On July 9th, 1869, I captured a fine specimen of this handsome butterfly under an Acacia tree (*Robinia*) on one of our most crowded streets; it had evidently just emerged from the pupa state, for I caught it with ease in a pill box. This is the second time only that this insect has been taken in London; the former specimen, caught also on an Acacia tree, is in my cabinet.

*Cossus plagiatas*, Walk. (*Xyleutes* of Hubner, according to Grote).—A good specimen, slightly beaten, was brought to me early in July. I think this is the first time it has been taken here.

*Callimorpha interrupto-marginata*, Beauv.—On July 21st a fine female of this rare insect was brought to me; it laid a large number of eggs, which, however, failed to produce larvæ. This is a beautiful moth, and when its