

The Butterflies *Cynthia cardui* and *C. Huntera* were very plenty last year but are entirely wanting this summer. The beautiful Aphrodite Butterfly, however, is more than usually abundant, as are also the *Hipparchia* butterflies and the little Skippers that wander from one grassy perch to another with such bewildering flickerings of their tiny jewelled wings.

Coddling Moths are very plenty and destructive this season. No doubt this has been caused by the abundant apple crop last year, and the neglect to destroy the wind-falls.

With the cultivation of Linden trees on the Island for shade and ornamental purposes, we have the Lime-tree Looper added to our insect fauna.

In regard to the disappearance of the Tent Catterpillar, I think that our climate is rather northern for this insect. It comes out properly in May, and though somewhat later here, still, is apt to experience cold unfavorable weather, which must retard its multiplication. It is different with the Fall Web-worm, which appears in July and August. Being an indiscriminate feeder and having the hey-day of summer heat to revel in, it never forsakes us, but spreads its destructive webs as regularly as the gossamer weaves on the dewy lawn.

Tiny green *Pyrallidies* are now (Aug. 20th) feasting in myriads on the rich forest cloak, and its fresh beauty will be sadly dimmed long before the wand of autumn touches its skirts with gold.

Tiger Moths are unpleasantly numerous round the evening lamps, and sometimes I observe the beautiful *Arctia virgo* come in with the more common dun-colored ones.

What species of insect is it that destroys the seeds of that standard old thistle *Cirsium arvensis*?

I find the following Asters growing here: *Aster salicifolium*, *A. perniciosus*, *A. miser*, *A. multiflorus*, *A. amplexicaulis*, *A. divergens*, *A. laxus*, *A. macrophyllus*, *A. foliolosus*, *A. cordifolius*, *A. acuminatus*.

Will some one kindly publish a list of the Asters found in any locality in Nova Scotia for comparison with this.

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