

BUTTERFLY AND MOTH BOOK



Photograph by King

A straw-color and black butterfly

on its back. At first we housed the larva in a jelly glass, but this soon became too small a nursery, for the insect grew rapidly and frequently changed its skin, showing, as it did so, startling characteristics.

The Turnus, when not feeding, rests upon a mattress constructed from silk threads spun and attached to the upper side of the leaf, and in such a manner that a space is left beneath the couch, which, as the invalid said, was a wise precaution against damp bedding in wet weather.

We found that our specimen always made a new and larger mattress before moulting, and on this, high and dry, we would later discover it freshly attired.