

*Sphingidæ at Sugar.* While collecting on St. Therese Island, on the Richelieu River, from July 16th to 19th last, several species of hawk moths visited the sugared patches, not resting, but hovering as they do over flowers. Those taken proved to be 6 *Sphinx kalmiæ*, 1 *Ampelophaga chærilus*, 2 *Ceratomia amyntor*.

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*Notes on the Eggs of Macronoctua onusta Grote.*

A female of this moth was picked up from a window sill in the business part of Montreal on September 22nd, and boxed for eggs after being fed on sugar and water. Next morning a little cluster of greenish eggs was on one side of the box but evidently the moth did not like the conditions as she was wandering about, poking her extended ovipositor into all parts of the box and the 11 eggs laid were not deposited in an orderly manner, some being flat, some on their edges others on top of one another.

The moth was transferred to a breeding cage with a supply of leaves of *Iris germanica* from the garden, and at once began climbing up and down the leaves. She soon selected a leaf with a long crack at the base. Into this crack an egg was placed and others were laid alongside of it in a row, the moth remaining in one position merely moving her body. Other eggs were laid during the day between the edges of the leaves where they overlap and this is probably where most are placed in nature to pass the winter.

When laid the egg is pale greenish but in a few days turns purplish. It is very much flattened on top and bottom and may be likened in shape to a vest button. The width is .6mm. and height .27mm., rounded at the edges. The ribs are shallow and show most on the sides. Hatched May 27-29.

Mr. Henry Bird tells me the larvæ will feed on *Gemmingia chinensis* as well as on the various species of *Iris*.

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