

years ago I received a specimen from my brother in Campbellton, N.B., and soon after specimens from the late Mr. Caulfield, of Montreal. This year Mr. Fletcher took several at the Experimental Farm at the end of May, and I captured one at Eastman's Springs. W. H. H.

Desmocerus palliatus Forst. On June 14th I took a pair of these beautiful longicorns upon an Elder bush, and on the 26th received one from Col. Chamberlin, which he had taken in his garden in New Edinburgh. The larva lives in the stems of the Elder, and the beetles, though not common, can usually be found by a careful examination of the shrubs in June. It is perhaps the handsomest of our Cerambycidae, especially when alive and in the sun light. It is almost an inch long, of a deep steel-blue colour, and with a bright yellow band across the base of the elytra, from which it derives its name of the Cloaked Desmocerus. W. H. H.

Ditylus caruleus Rand. While at Casselman (June 10th) two fine examples of this usually rare beetle were taken, almost accidentally. The first crawled up on a log where we were collecting *Tritoma humeralis* in fungi, and the second came crawling up to us as we were lunching. This beetle seems to inhabit swampy areas, as last June we captured specimens in a beaver-meadow at Sudbury, and another was taken about the same time at the St. Louis Dam by Mr. J. A. Guignard. The western species of this genus seem to be more abundant, as numerous specimens have been received from British Columbia. W. H. H.

Ergates spiculatus Lec. A fine female of this beetle has been received from Rev. Father Dontenwill, O.M.I., now principal of St. Louis College, New Westminster, B.C., who a few years ago was a frequent attendant at our Monday afternoon lectures. *E. spiculatus* is the largest beetle found in Canada, and belongs to the Longicorns or wood-borers. The present specimen measures $2\frac{3}{8}$ inches from the front of the head to the end of the body, and $\frac{5}{8}$ inch across the base of wing cases. J. F.

Argynnis Triclaris Hüb, in the Ottawa District. I was much surprised and pleased at taking a few specimens of this rare butterfly in the *Mer Bleue*, on 13th and 14th June. It is a northern species found in Labrador, at Hudson Bay and in the Rocky Mountains. The size and general appearance when on the wing are similar to *A. Myrina*, but the