

## NOTES ON SOME ONTARIO ACRIDIIDÆ.

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As so little is known of the Orthoptera of Canada, the following notes on the species of Acridiidae, which I have taken in Ontario, may prove of some value. They are by no means intended to form a complete list of the species found in Ontario, but only of those which have come under my own observation.

The great majority of my specimens were taken from but two localities—Toronto, and the vicinity of DeGrassi Pt., Lake Simcoe, about fifty miles farther north. Although so near each other, the entomological fauna in these two localities differs somewhat; many forms common on the Niagara peninsula and southward being found as far north as Toronto, but not extending to Lake Simcoe, while several northern forms have their southern limits, at least in Ontario, about Lake Simcoe. But although the collecting grounds in both these places are very rich and varied, there are no doubt a number of Ontario species not represented in either. The great Archæan region forming the northern and greater part of Ontario has been but little explored from an entomologist's standpoint, and possibly many interesting species occur there, while there are doubtless southern forms not yet recorded from Canada whose range extends into the Niagara peninsula.

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## I.—TETTIGINÆ.

1. *Tettix ornatus*, Say.

*Acrydium ornatum*, Say; Amer. Entom., 1824, I., pl. V.

*Tettix ornata*, Say; Scudd., Mat. Mon. of N. A. Orth., 1862, 474.

“ *dorsalis*, Harr.; Ins. Inj. to Veg., 1862, 186.

“ *quadrimaculata*, Harr.; loc. cit., 186.

“ *bilineata*, Harr.; loc. cit., 186.

“ *ornatus*, Say; Fernald, Orth. N. E., 1888, 46.

Form, *triangularis*, Scudd.

*Tettix triangularis*, Scudd.; Mat. Mon. N. A. Orth., 1862, 475.

This species is the commonest member of the subfamily occurring about Toronto and Lake Simcoe. It frequents the damper parts of pastures, wet ditches, etc., and is also found, especially the short-winged form, *triangularis*, in quite dry, sandy or gravelly uplands. Though generally found in the neighbourhood of woodlands, it does not seem to