

CORRESPONDENCE.

BUTTERFLIES ON MARTHAS VINEYARD.

DEAR SIR,—

I have spent the last ten days on this island, at Oak Bluffs, and made several excursions into the back country for a distance of about three miles. I find *C. phleas* the commonest butterfly, seen everywhere, in the town, fields and on the beach. Next to that *Argynnis idalia*, which abounds in old fields, and is just now fresh from chrysalis. Of *P. tharos* I have taken two fresh males, var. *marcia*. *Satyrus alope* male is making its appearance and the species may become quite common. I am not sure that some examples of *nephele* have not been seen also. Another *Satyrus* I saw in the oak woods, but could not determine whether it was *eurytis* or *canthus*. *Philodice* seems rare, and I have seen one example of *antiopa* and one of *atalanta*. No *Hesperians* at all have been seen, and no other butterfly than I have above mentioned. On a ride to Boston I saw a *Terias nicippe* flying near Brockton Station.

W. H. EDWARDS.

July 29th, 1877.

DEAR SIR,—

Perhaps some of the readers of your valuable paper might be interested in knowing of the capture at this place of another superb *Catocala marmorata* Ed., which I took July 2nd. It was sitting on the trunk of a Silver Poplar tree, within a few yards of where I captured one on July 10th, last season. Prof. Wetherby and myself have each taken a single specimen of *Catocala agrippina* Strecker, whose types were from Texas, I believe.

CHARLES DURY.

Avondale, Ham. Co., Ohio, Aug. 15th, 1877.

DEAR SIR,—

On p. 120, vol. ix., CAN. ENT., is published a note by Mr. Robert Bunker, referring to the "effect of hot weather upon certain Sphinges," particularly *P. satellitia*.

I have regularly for several years past taken mature larvæ of *P. achemon* previous to July 10th, the transformation of which, so far as I know, was