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To the Editor of the Can. Ent.:

DEAR SIR,—I send you some remarks by Dr. A. Speyer upon certain forms and species of Pamphila which I recently submitted to him. I had especially called Dr. Speyer's attention to the *Comma* group, and as will be seen, he has very kindly compared them with *Comma* and its varieties, and gives his views at length. I have italicised certain portions of the paper, to which I desire to call particular attention; and have appended some notes of my own, written after carefully considering the views of Dr. Speyer, and a re-study of the forms spoken of. The excellent translation of Dr. Speyer's paper was made by Chas. E. Aaron, A. M., of Philadelphia, at the instance of his son, Mr. E. M. Aaron, Curator of the Am. Ent. Soc.

Coalburgh, W. Va., 1st July, 1883.

W. H. EDWARDS.

## REMARKS ON THE HESPERIDÆ SENT TO ME BY MR. W. H. EDWARDS, OF COALBURGH, W. VA., IN JAN., 1883.

In order to be able to decide with some degree of certainty the question whether Pamphila Nevada, Manitoba, Colorado, Juba and Sylvanoides (Columbia), proposed by Mr. Scudder as distinct species, are, together or separately, specifically different from the European P. Comma I.., there would be need of a much larger suite of well preserved specimens of these forms than have been placed at my command; and perhaps even such a suite would not have sufficed to establish a conclusion, but observation in the field alone would justify a final decision. What I have to say upon the subject, on the basis of the inadequate material on hand, is as follows:

It was my especial wish, in addition to the large number of specimens at my command of the typical P. Comma of Middle Europe, and of its