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DESCRIPTION OF A NEW SPECIES OF MELITAEA  
FROM TEXAS.

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*Melitaea Fulvia.*

Male.—Expands 1.5 inch.

Upper side brown-black over basal area of each wing, somewhat dusted with fulvous; or the ground color is partly replaced by fulvous, especially in the cells; the costal margin and apex of primaries black, and both hind margins are narrowly edged by black; all the nervures and branches black; remainder of wings fulvous; both have a submarginal series of fulvous spots, preceded by a black line, those of primaries at apex replaced by yellow, or obsolete; beyond the black line a complete common series of small yellow spots; a second on the disk, larger, and on secondaries elongated, sometimes very much so, and more or less confluent with the spots of the outer row; on primaries a large yellow spot, edged with fulvous, next inside arc of cell, and two or three small yellow spots below this; in cell of secondaries a small similar spot, but sometimes wanting; fringes alternately and equally black and white.

Under side of primaries pale orange fulvous, the light spots of upper side on disk and towards base showing not very distinctly; so also the spots of extra discal row below median, but above and to costa these are distinct and clear yellow-buff; next apex the marginal row offers four yellow-buff spots, and there is another at inner angle, the remainder being fulvous, and confluent with the ground color of disk; secondaries wholly yellow-buff, the nervures broadly edged with black, and the hind margin as well as costal and inner margins edged with a narrow black border; across the extra discal area a black band, within which are six or seven small yellow-buff spots; and the spots next margin, cut off by this black band, are large and sub-rectangular; in the cell a V-shaped black stripe, pointing toward base, one limb of which is in line with the second branch of median; there is also an additional stripe running through the submedian interspace. Body black above, the rings of abdomen yellow at junction; beneath, the thorax yellow-buff, the abdomen yellow with more or less fulvous; legs fulvous; palpi yellow, nearly white at sides, black in front and at tip; antennæ black on upper side, ringed with yellow, ferruginous below; club black.