Cocoon.—Formed of silk, quite thick and not at the ground.

Pupa.—Cylindrical, the abdominal segments tapering, cases and thorax moderately enlarged, cremaster tapering, flat, armed with short hooks. Smooth, pitchy dark brown, almost black, paler in the three movable abdominal incisures. Length 17.5 mm., width 5.5 mm.

Food plant.—Elder *(Sambucus).*

There is but one brood a year, the moths appearing during the last of June.

The appropriate and pleasing name of this pretty species was kindly sent me by Prof. Smith.

A TACHINID BRED FROM A CHRYSALIS.

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Meigenia websteri, n. sp.

FEMALE.—*Head* a little wider than thorax and abdomen. *Eyes* brown, very sparsely hairy; front and face not quite one-half the width of head; front a little prominent; frontal vitta about one-fourth the width of front, brown, lighter behind where it splits on each side of the ocelli; frontal bristles in a single row, descending a little below base of third antennal joint, some fine hairs on sides of front outside them; two orbital bristles; sides of front with a slightly brassy tinge; sides of face moderately wide, a little less than one-half the width of the facial depression, silvery, bare; face slightly receding, facial depression silvery, facial ridges ciliate to a little below base of third antennal joint; cheeks moderately wide, cinereous, hairy, with bristles on lower border; vibrissæ inserted at a little distance above the oral margin; antennæ not as long as the face, blackish, third joint slightly reddish at base; second joint not elongate, bristly; third joint not widened, more than three times as long as the second; arista black, microscopically pubescent, thickened more than half its length, three-jointed, the second joint hardly elongate; proboscis, brown, fleshy, not so long as height of head, labella well developed; palpi well developed, flavous, club-shaped, thickened and curved at the tip, black bristly; occiput cinereous, gray hairy below, with fringe of black hairs on orbital margins.