

in number, below the median vein, divided by the sub-median nervure and fold, and surmounted by one on the disc larger within the three. Clustered minute linear dots between the sub-costal veinlets at the base, and below them three larger, divided by the discal fold and median vein opposite the cell. A series of subterminal white dots, the three lower the larger. Terminal minute interspaceal dots; fringes white, interrupted. Costal edge white, dotted externally. Secondaries with a broader series of mesial spots, reduced in size inferiorly, a subterminal and a minute terminal series of white spots and dots; fringes white, less interrupted than on primaries. Beneath, the secondaries are whitish, with four series of olivaceous, darkly margined, incomplete and irregular bands. A black subtriangular shaded spot at anal angle. Body whitish beneath, above blackish with longer bluish or greenish hair; abdomen obsoletely annulate. The fringes of the female primary are dusky.

Expanse—♂ 28; ♀ 30 m. m.

OBITUARY.

By the recent death of Mr. BRADDISH BILLINGS, of Ottawa, Canada has lost one of her most devoted and enthusiastic sons of science. It has been remarked that the lives of men engaged in scientific enquiries are usually devoid of much interest. The pursuits they follow are not unfrequently above the comprehension, and, consequently, the sympathy of the busy active world. The strife of political partizanship, which engrosses so deeply most minds, has to them little, if any, attraction. Their tastes and habits of thought lead them into other and more congenial fields. The honor or distinction that accrues to them from the successful prosecution of their scientific labors is all they desire. They shun the din and glare of the paths that are generally supposed to lead to fame, content if allowed to pursue their cherished schemes; and hence, when they die, the record of their lives is not usually such as to awaken the interest and excite the attention of the uninitiated outside world. Mr. Billings was no exception in this respect. Leading a quiet and unobtrusive life, and busily absorbed in his favourite pursuits, his name was less known throughout the Province than his high scientific merits deserved. His contributions, however, to the various departments of natural history, we have good reason to believe, were highly appreciated by those most competent to judge of their value,