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THREE NEW NOCTUIDS FROM BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

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To the courtesy of some of my correspondents from British North America I owe a series of specimens, some of which proved undescribed. The species sent by Dr. Fletcher is of some economic importance, and its prompt description seems desirable. The other species have been in MSS. for some time, and were intended to form part of a lengthy descriptive paper. Their publication together at this time gives this contribution a somewhat faunal character.

Semiophora Youngii, n. sp.—Ground colour varies from carneous gray to smoky brown, variably powdered with black or suffused by darker shadings. Front of head and tips of palpi always gray; sides of palpi blackish brown. Male antennæ with lengthy, slender, yellowish pectinations. Collar inferiorly rusty red or brown, surmounted by a blackish or darker line or band, and more or less obviously gray tipped. Discal tufting gray or at least paler than ground; patagiæ a little gray speckled. Primaries with all the usual maculation well defined. Basal half line black, single, twice dentate, followed by a gray shade line. Between this line and base is a gray powdering, always obvious and sometimes prominent; beyond it on the sub-costal is another less prominent shading, which extends to the t. a. line. T. a. line geminate, more or less broken, upright or a little outcurved, outcurved in the interspaces, though not prominently so. Outer line black, inner line obscure, scarcely defined, intermediate space gray. In one example the gray included space only is visible. T. p. line geminate, evenly outcurved over the cell, inwardly oblique, or with only a slight incurve to the inner margin. Inner line black or blackish, lunulate, outer line smoky, even; included space gray,