

Anchor your dumping cloth across stream in shallow water. Stir up the stones, commencing several yards up and working down. Take your cloth to the bank and pick off your catch as the *Parnids* cling to the surface of the material.

Where to hunt is a difficult matter to suggest. In Winnipeg a number of species, especially *Dytiscus*, come freely to light. Rivers, excepting under stones in rapids and among weeds in back waters, are usually unproductive. Slow moving, weedy creeks or muddy weedy ponds are usually good ground, but one occasionally most unexpectedly comes across species in numbers. Several years ago I had hunted for hours in some water near Selkirk with the poorest of success. Just about giving up in despair, I waded across a shallow bay in which not a weed could be seen. Making a stroke almost without thinking, I brought up my net swarming with a species of *Haliplus* new to me, which turned out to be the rather rare *borealis*. Since then *borealis* has turned up in several places near here, but always in ones or twos. In general, try in shallow water rather than deep, and in warm spots rather than in cool shades.

We have several interesting species of *Haliplidæ* in Manitoba. These include three of Mr. Roberts' new species: *H. subguttatus*, *H. strigatus* and *H. tortulosus*. Two others are *H. borealis* and *H. cribrarius*.

Among our more interesting *Dytiscidæ* is a species of *Laccophilus*, to which Mr. Roberts has given a manuscript name. It is very near *mexicanus* Aubé. Its haunt appears to be muddy sloughs in early spring. Then there is *Deronectes depressus* Fab. = *brevis*, according to Mr. Roberts, which is not uncommon in Sturgeon Creek near here. *Hydroporus vittatus* Lec. is a charming little striped species which, so far as I know, is represented from Manitoba by but one specimen taken in an eddy in Sturgeon Creek. The stream was much swollen by rains, so probably poor little *vittatus* had been swept down from some comfortable marsh. At any rate, it appeared to be alone, as patient dredging failed to secure more.

Our two common species of *Ilybius*, *angustior* Gyll. and *confusus* Aubé are both fairly common at electric light in June, as is