

occasions I have seen interesting specimens which for want of a bottle of alcohol, or boxes, I have not been able to secure. The majority of those obtained were captured in the field during my searches for hymenoptera, but some occurred when sifting swamp-mosses for small coleoptera. As my knowledge of these skilful spinners is deplorably slender I may be permitted to quote from Mr. Banks' letter in which the list of names was enclosed.

"One of them, *Icius canadensis*, appears to be new. Another *Tmetiscus bostoniensis*, is new to my collection. Many years ago Blackwall described some spiders from Canada, few of these have been identified; the presence of *Icius harti* Em. in your collection enabled me to identify it with the *Salticus fuliginus* of Blackwall. There are several other interesting spider in the collection. The specimen of *Epeira prompta* is particularly large and fine, and of a variety rarely taken; it looks like a green lichen. The male of *Nysticus limbotus* which you send is also rare; as are *Icius formicarius* and *Synageles picata*. One would hardly have expected that *Theridium unimaculatum* and *Theridula sphærerula* occurred so far north. * * * * Besides this list there were two or three little Microtheridæ in the collection but they are females and it usually is necessary to have the male; one of them is possibly the female of the *Tmetiscus bostoniensis*, which is only known from the male."

On comparison of the following list of my Ottawa spiders with that taken from Mr. Emerton's paper on Canadian Spiders it will be found that only about twenty species are common to both lists.

DRASSIDÆ.

Gaaphosa conspersa Th.

CLUBIONIDÆ.

Clubiona obesa Htz.
" *riparia* Koch.

Clubiona abbotti Koch.
Thargalia agilis Bks.

AGALENIDÆ.

Agalena nevia Htz.