

I never met with any inconvenience from ants as Mr. Mead has, but I have met with a rather serious one (because it is almost "morally" impossible to remove it) in the various species of tree toads. Beautiful little fellows, with eyes like diamonds, that will mount your garden fences and snap up unwary Heterocera without compunction. Rather annoying but of course you cannot drive them away.

Mr. Mead says nothing about a light. I advise a *square* tin lantern with a good reflection and some means of shutting off the light, which should be turned on suddenly. A Bulls-eye concentrates the light too much. Strap the lantern around your waist. I like a little rum in the molasses for the moths, and a little for myself.

INSECTS OF THE NORTHERN PARTS OF BRITISH AMERICA.

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FAMILY DIAPERIDÆ.

320. DIAPERIS (*Arrhenophila*) BICORNIS.—*Oliv.*—Length of body, male $1\frac{1}{2}$, female 2 lines. Several taken in the route from New York to Cumberland-house.

Body punctured, glossy; underneath black, above black-bronzed or green-bronzed. Head of the female transversely impressed between the eyes, unarmed; in the male just behind the eyes is a pair of long cylindrical vertical piceous horns rather paler at the apex, between which is a deep excavation; the nose also at the apex is armed with a pair of minute triangular teeth; mouth, in both sexes, rufous: antennae black with the three first joints attenuated and rufous; prothorax transverse with the sides rounded, posteriorly obtusangular but not lobed; scutellum